



Regenerative practices for people and planet

Idea 35	Local agricultural systems that support family and community gardens
Proposal 35f	Decentralize compost initiatives to the neighborhood level
Description	Decentralize compost initiatives to the neighborhood level. Update, make sane and sensible, and standardize regulations that hamper development of value-added, processing, and composting businesses. Use community farming councils to lead and advise on regulation bottlenecks. Allow and require safe community composting initiatives to transform food waste into useful products. Consider composting an essential business.
How will the proposed action advance equitable health and well-being?	
Is there work we can build on?	
Who would have to act? Who would be key partners?	United States Composting Council NYC Community Compost Coalition BKRot Compost Power Americorps Private, charter and public schools Restaurants, businesses and cultural institutions.
A few high-level action steps	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Invest in community composting initiatives. 2. Support Co-op based business models. 3. Incentivize/normalize composting in schools to educate families. 4. Remove negative myths regarding composting.
Other comments or guidance	