



# 2023

## *Master Composter* NEWSLETTER

January 3, 2023

Happy new year!

### Introduction

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### Week Summary

Welcome to a new year everyone! We are starting 2023 off with a bang with an in-person meeting tonight from 6:30 to 8pm (preceded by the Kids Group meeting from 5:30 to 6:30). Anyone unable to attend in-person can join via Zoom with the link provided on the next page. Our CE speaker is Tom Boehme, owner of Old Tom's Wormery and expert vermicomposter.

# Monthly Meetings

Zoom link: <https://ucanr.zoom.us/j/94256009384?pwd=L2lYY2wzQWxxVIRIRnJTKlRPykhTdz09>

Monthly meetings and Kids Composting meetings will be held in a hybrid format on the first Tuesday of the month, unless otherwise noted

*Location:*

*1553 Berger Drive, Bldg. #1  
San Jose 95112*

*Same time:*

*Kids group: 5:30 - 6:30pm  
Monthly meeting: 6:30 - 8pm*

**In-person attendance:**

3 volunteer hours (to include travel time) + 1 CE hour

**Virtual attendance:**

1.5 volunteer hours + 1 CE hour

**Kids Composting:**

1 volunteer hour

# Monthly Meeting Agenda



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5:30 - 6:30 KIDS GROUP MEETING

6:30 - 7:00 UPDATES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

7:00 - 8:00 CONTINUING EDUCATION

## UPDATES & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 2022 IMPACT & RECAP
- 2023 WORKSHOPS, EVENTS, WORKDAYS - PASS CLIPBOARD
- UPDATING MATERIALS
- MCP COMMUNITY COMPOSTING LAUNCH
- UPDATE FROM COLE

## CONTINUING EDUCATION:

VERMICOMPOSTING MYTH-BUSTING BY TOM BOEHME, OWNER OF OLD TOM'S WORMERY

# MCP Updates



- Now launching our community composting program! Send along [this interest survey](#) to anyone you know who might be interested in joining the food scrap collection program (yourself included):
  - Perks: community-building, waste reduction, free compost
- Third Saturday workdays & Wednesday morning workdays will be open to Master Composters *and* community members who have joined our program
  - It looks like it'll stop raining by mid-morning, so Jenel and I will be out there in the mud! You're welcome to join.



# COMPOST

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# NEWS

\*Articles are hyperlinked at the bottom of each box

Amazon Packages Burn in India, Final Stop in Broken Recycling System

[Bloomberg](#)

The Afterlife of your Holiday Discards  
(cartoon)

[New York Times](#)

How Central Ohio Got People to Eat Their Leftovers

[New York Times](#)



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