



Green Business Program

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The Green Business Program's mission is to recognize and promote businesses that meet high environmental sustainability standards.





Areas with active Green Business Programs

Environmental Impact 2023



**64.6 Million
Pounds of
GHGs**

= planting 100,493
thousand acres of trees



**17.3 Million
Pounds of
Waste**

= 1,079 garbage trucks
worth of diverted waste



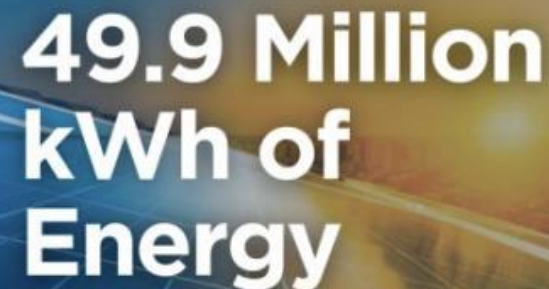
**3.3 Million
Therms of
Natural Gas**

= heating 126,365 homes
for an entire year



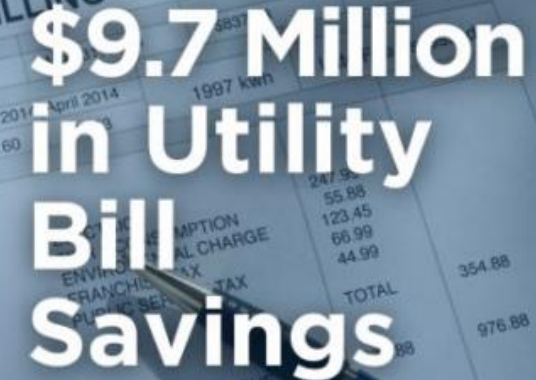
**93.6 Million
Gallons of
Water**

= 2,229,532 bathtubs
of fresh drinking water



**49.9 Million
kWh of
Energy**

= powering 4,581
houses for an entire year



**\$9.7 Million
in Utility
Bill
Savings**

CAGBN Committees



CAGBN Board of Directors



Marketing



Equity



Sustainable Funding



Performance and Standards

- Agriculture
- Auto Body
- Auto Repair
- Brewery
- Cannabis Dispensaries
- Car Wash
- Construction/ Remodel
- Dental Services
- Event Production
- Food manufacturer
- Garment Cleaning
- Greek Chapter House
- Grocery
- Hair Salons
- Home Office
- Janitorial Service
- Laboratory
- Landscape Services
- Lodging
- Medical Services
- Nail Salon
- Painting Services
- Plumbing Services
- Printing Services
- Property Management
- Remote Office
- Restaurant
- Schools
- Small Manufacturer
- Winery

Sector specific checklists

Energy

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Solid Waste



Transportation





Water Conservation

Community





Pollution Prevention

Required Environmental Compliance checks with partner agencies for:

- Fats, oil and grease, discharge permits
- Health, food and safety
- Hazardous materials and disposal
- Amalgam separation
- Air pollution
- Storm water

Additional Measures in the checklist that relate to wastewater pollution prevention:

- Eco-friendly cleaning products and building maintenance products.
- Integrated pest management
- Landscaping - limiting the use of pesticides, herbicides and insecticides
- Safe-pharmaceutical disposal
- Requiring BPI compostables and reusables, (eliminating PFAS, purchasing)

Educational Opportunity to

- Communicate with staff
- Include language in contracts (janitorial, IPM, landscaping, property management)

Pollution Prevention



1

Register on
www.GreenBusinessCA.org

2

Schedule site visit with Green
Business coordinator

3

Work with coordinator
and send documentation

4

Get recognized!

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Benefits of becoming recognized



FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT
greenbusinessca.org

GREEN
CALIFORNIA
GREEN BUSINESS
NETWORK

**SHOP
GREEN**
Vote with your dollars.

Certified California Green Businesses meet a verified set of standards that conserve resources and protect your community.

COME IN WE'RE
OPEN

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Program History

1998
Contra Costa Green Business Program (CCGBP) was established in the Contra Costa Health Hazardous Materials Programs Division (HazMat)

Initial outreach/
focus on
Auto Repair
Sector

Paper
Checklists!

Founding Member
of the Bay Area
Green Business
Network

Standardized
marketing
materials and
checklists
developed

2017
New CA Green
Business Network
Logo



Integrated into the
Pollution Prevention
Program for
(HazMat) unified
inspection and
enforcement
program (CA Health
& Safety Code)

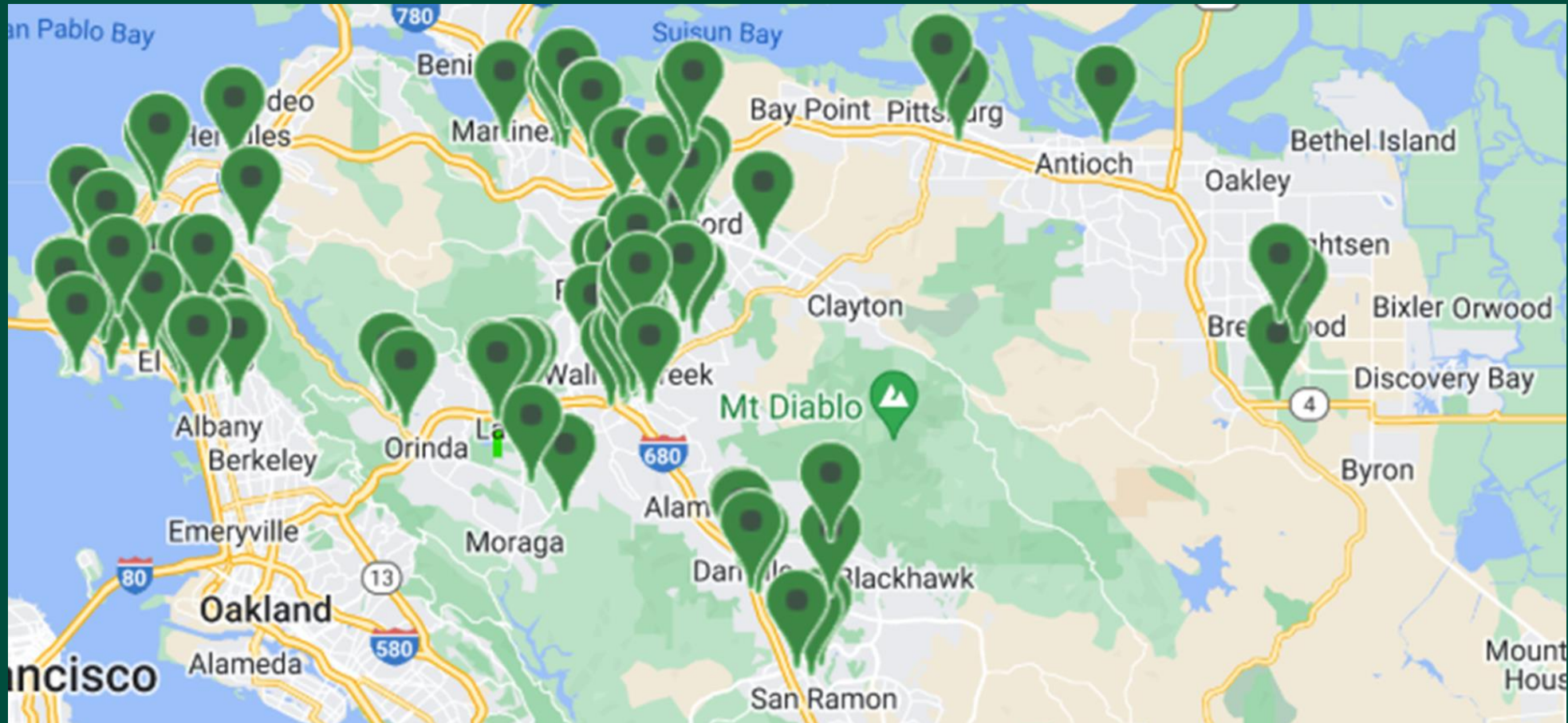


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Member of the
California Green
Business Network
(statewide network
of 40+ Cities and
Counties)

New checklist
sectors
developed and
continually
updated



Contra Costa Green Business Population



Partnerships



Program Initiatives



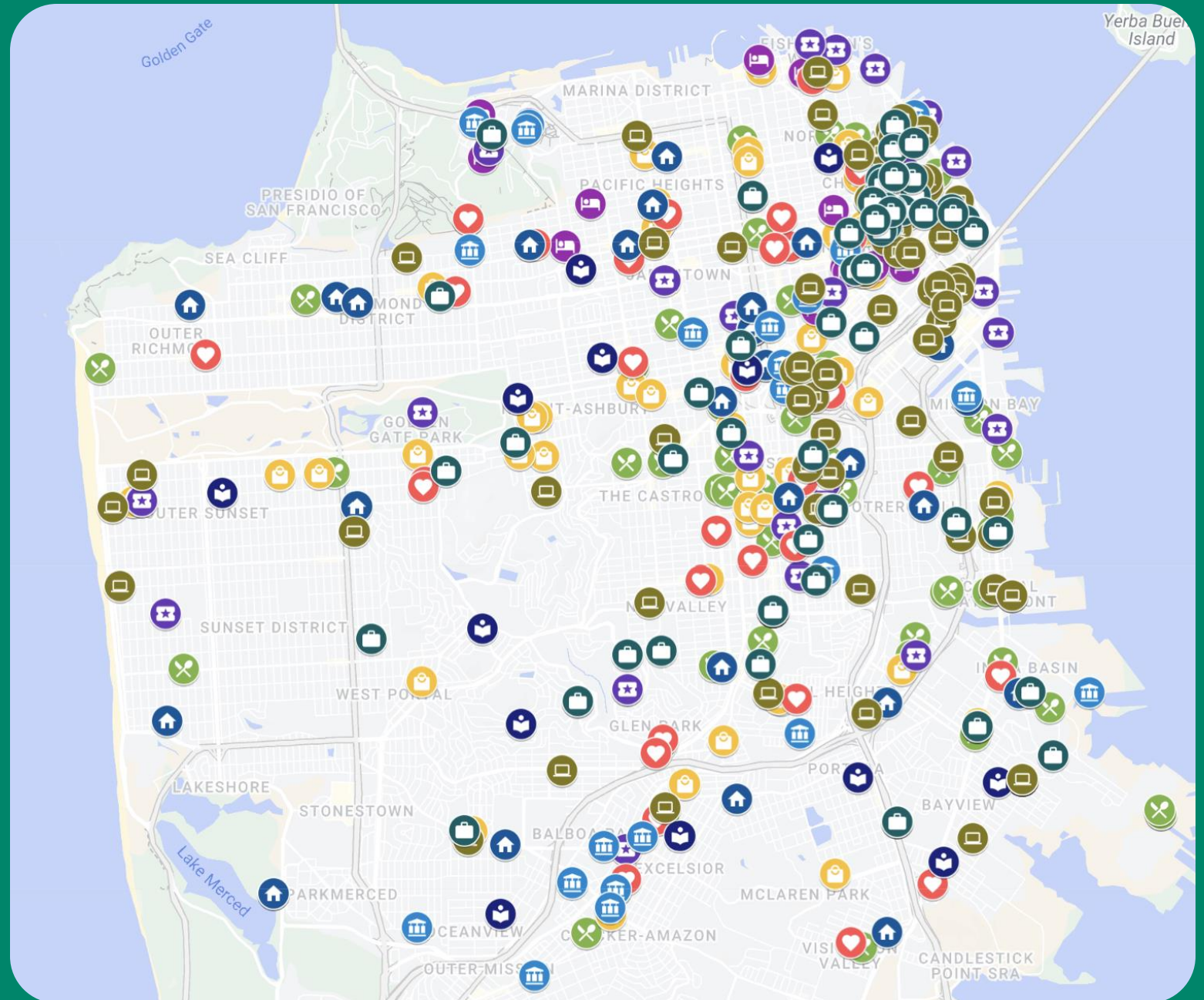


Annual Recognition Event in Partnership with Sustainable Contra Costa & Central San

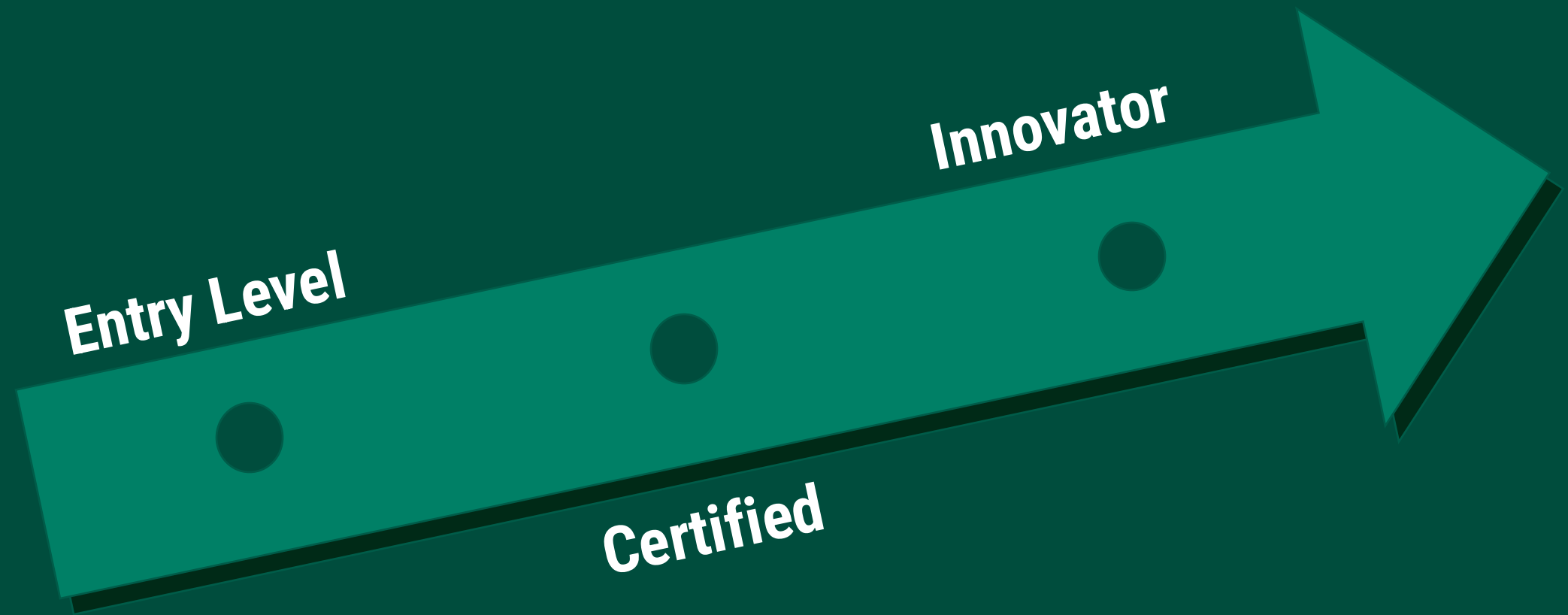


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San Francisco Green Business Population



Green Recognition: A Journey in Sustainability



Benefits of Recognition in San Francisco

Rebate and Prebate funding

Promoted on Green Business
Facebook Page

Included in SF Green Business
Directory Map

Green Business Certificate
Signed by SFE Director

Entry-level benefits
plus:

Certificate Signed by
the Mayor of San
Francisco

Green Business Award
Plaque

Entry-Level

Certified + Innovators



**Businesses are eligible for up to
\$1,000 for green purchases &
retrofits**

Community Based Organization Partners



Green Business Awards



Collaboration Opportunities

- Positive engagement with businesses
- Promote initiatives on checklist green tips
- Promote agency events and resources on Green Business Programs' websites and social media outlets
- Tabling at events hosted by Green Business Programs across the Bay Area

Thank you!

Questions and discussion

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