

The Maryland Green Registry promotes and recognizes sustainable practices at organizations of all types and sizes. Members agree to share at least five environmental practices and one measurable result while striving to continually improve their environmental performance.

# **4MyCiTy Inc.**



1133 Wilso Drive Baltimore, MD 21223 443-695-5657 <u>https://4mycity.us/</u> Nonprofit *Member since April 2022* 

#### Management and Leadership

#### **Environmental Team**

At 4MyCiTy, our focus is on the importance of environmental sustainability. Primarily the sustainable management of food in relation to reducing organic waste. Our program limits the harmful effects caused by organic waste on our environment while improving food security for families within our communities. Our team is made up of 6 employees and hundreds of volunteers, all committed to reducing organic waste daily through our work

## Annual Environmental Goals

Our annual food waste reduction goals for 2024:

Goal 1 - Rescue and distribute (divert from landfills or Incinerators) 40 million pounds of food – We distributed 35 million pounds in 2023.

Goal 2 – Reduce 1 million pounds of organic waste from reaching landfills and divert to compost sites – We diverted 15 million pounds in 2023.

Our organization is also building an Indoor composting facility (in Baltimore City) that will be zero waste to landfill, will have an advanced storm water management system, and will feature a solar energy system.

#### Environmentally Preferable Products and Services

At 4MyCiTy, we have introduced our own line of biodegradable/ compostable products around items that would be used in the food service industry. We have our own line of biodegradable bags, cutlery, and warehouse use supplies like shrink wrap.

#### **Environmentally Preferable Purchasing**

We develop and encourage our community partners to use and purchase our biodegradable products for their food distribution needs. We also only use our biodegradable products in our operations.

#### **Environmental Restoration and Community Environmental Projects**

We do food waste collection and are a compost drop-off site for residents and partners of our program. We promote and conduct compost through educational workshops and tours with schools and businesses across the state of Maryland.

#### <u>Waste</u>

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## Solid Waste Reduction and Reuse

In total, 4MyCiTy has diverted over 240 million pounds of potential food waste through our rescue efforts to families facing hunger and to our compost sites. These efforts described below equate to approximately 273,823 cars taken off the roads or 105,696 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e (metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent) avoided.

## Composting

4MyCiTy has diverted over 35 million pounds of organic waste to compost sites since our launch in October 2018. We have onsite composting machines running at our 1133 Wilso Drive Baltimore facility that turns food waste into a OMRI certified soil within a 24-hr cycle.

#### **Environmental Certification Programs, Awards, and Other Activities**

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We were the recipient of the Baltimore Business Journals <u>Maryland Inno</u> <u>Fire Awards</u> for nonprofits in Sustainability and Equity.

- ✓ Our Director & Founder Christopher Dipnarine is the Environmental Sustainability Group Member leader on the Forbes Non Profit Councils.
- ✓ 4MyCiTY was the winner of the 2023 Most Dedicated Environmental Sustainability Organization award. Presented by Acquisition International.

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