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# New York Green Business Program



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# NYGB Overview

- Free and voluntary program
- Provides recognition and benefits to businesses that operate sustainably
  - Recognition
  - Use of logo
  - No cost share priority assistance from the New York State Pollution Prevention Institute
  - Single point of contact within DEC.
- Members located Statewide and in a variety of sectors



# NYGB Entrance Criteria

- Have good record of compliance with environmental laws and regulations
- Have a written sustainability statement
- Make 2 or 3 future sustainability commitments
- Communicate commitment to sustainability to employees and customers
- Sector specific criteria
  - Breweries, restaurants, garment cleaners
  - More coming soon



# Membership Details

- Enrollment period in the fall
- Membership is for a 3 year period
- Must work towards sustainability commitments
- Host a site visit from NYGB staff
- Complete annual performance report



# Other Green Business Resources

- NYS Pollution Institute Provides Assistance In:
  - Reducing environmental footprint of process or facility
  - Greening your supply chain or becoming a green supplier
  - Accelerating the commercialization of green products or technology
  - Reduction of food scraps
  - More information at:

<http://www.rit.edu/affiliate/nysp2i/>



# Other Green Business Resources

- Green Procurement and Sustainability- NY has developed many resources that are available for others to use
  - Green Product Specifications - <https://www.ogs.state.ny.us/greenny/green-purchase.asp#1>
  - Materials Management - conducting waste audits, recycling, composting/organics diversion - <https://www.ogs.state.ny.us/greenny/waste.asp>
  - Greening Your Fleet - <https://www.ogs.state.ny.us/greenny/green-energy-fleet.asp>
  - This is just a sample, check out the GreenNY website -- <https://www.ogs.state.ny.us/greenny/Default.asp>



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