For the fourth year, USCC is inviting *mentors* with professional business experience in the compost manufacturing and collection industry to participate with a *mentee*, a Young Professional college graduate or industry employee over the age of 21 and under 40, in our Young Professionals Mentoring Program for 2018.

**Eligibility**

MENTORS: Must be members of good standing in the US Composting Council and be actively employed in the compost manufacturing/organics recycling/compostable products fields.

MENTEES: Membership is not required at the time of application, but is strongly encouraged by the end of the six-month mentoring period. Mentees should be between ages 18 and 40 and within their first five years of employment in the compost manufacturing/organics recycling/compostable products fields.

**Process and Deadline:**

Mentee and Mentor applications will be accepted until midnight May 22, 2018. Based on the interests expressed on the application by mentees and mentors, a subcommittee of the Young Professionals Group and USCC staff will match mentee/mentor pairs.

The Mentoring Period will be from July 1, 2018 through January 31, 2019. Mentor/Mentee pairs can choose their meeting schedule and format (phone, Skype, in person, email etc.) and are encouraged to make an in-person “capstone” meeting at COMPOST2019 in Phoenix, AZ.

USCC YP/Staff informal “checkins” will occur periodically throughout the period to enhance your success.
USCC Young Professionals 2018 Mentoring Program

MENTEE APPLICATION

NAME:  
EMAIL ADDRESS:

Current USCC Member? Y N

PHONE:

LOCATION (City/State/Country):

COMPANY/ORGANIZATION:  
TITLE:

YEARS IN INDUSTRY:  
Between 18-40 years of age? Y N

I am interested in a mentor with expertise in the following field(s) (select all that apply):

☐ Composting systems/technology
☐ Anaerobic digestion
☐ Compost facility operation/management
☐ Organics hauling/collection
☐ Consulting
☐ Education
☐ Waste/recycling policy
☐ Marketing compost, composting program or technologies
☐ Entrepreneurship
☐ Non-Profit Management
☐ Other (explain)

Brief Description of Your Studies and/or Current Position:

Please give a brief description of what you hope to learn in the mentoring process.

I am willing to meet with my mentee (select all that apply):

☐ over the phone
☐ via email/skype etc.
☐ In person

Have you ever been mentored? If yes, describe the experience.