



**SACRAMENTO
SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS**

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**Annual Sustainable Business Awards &
Pollution Prevention EXPO**
September 18 at SMUD
Exhibitor & Sponsor Opportunity

Mark your calendar for the annual Sustainable Business Awards & P2 EXPO on September 18 at the Sacramento Municipal Utility District headquarters. Join us in honoring the top sustainable businesses, attend workshops, and visit the exposition exhibitors.

If you would like to sponsor or be an exhibitor at the EXPO, call 916-649-0225 for info.

**Special Recognition to these
Sustainable Businesses!**

Glumac of Sacramento

Located in Folsom, Glumac is Gold Star Certified through SSB. They create innovative sustainable designs that preserve architectural integrity while ensuring occupants always feel comfortable, whereby contractors can build more efficiently and owners can benefit from lower operating costs.

Their engineering and consulting focuses on Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing (MEP) consulting engineering services. Their Sustainable Design, Informational Technology, and Commission Services are key to enhancing their core capabilities.

SSB was impressed with Glumac's dedication to not only sustainable design, but in the business practices they perform in order to provide clients with a more environmentally conscious building and operation. Congratulations to Glumac for going above and beyond and receiving a Gold Star SSB Certificate.

AAMCO

SSB is pleased to announce that AAMCO West Sacramento has become certified. They stake their reputation on award winning customer service. AAMCO represents trust, quality, and value. They have nationwide warranties on transmission repairs and 40 years of experience in transmission repairs and service. They have ASE certified technicians and are a ATRA certified transmission builder. They are the only independent auto repair facility in Yolo county that is EPA Model P2 certified and they are also Eco-Green certified (AAMCO Program). Congratulations AAMCO!

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**Congratulations to these new certified
Sacramento Sustainable Businesses:**

- **Video Visions Marketing—Fair Oaks**
- **Sutter Terrace Dental Group—Sacramento**
- **Dos Coyotes—Davis, Elk Grove, Folsom, Roseville & Sacramento**
- **Glumac—Sacramento**
- **Nolte Associates—Sacramento**
- **Cali Green Clean—Sacramento**
- **Sacramento's New City Hall—Sacramento**
- **AAMCO Transmission—West Sacramento**
- **Kikkoman—Folsom**
- **Sierra Pacific Solar—Rancho Cordova**
- **Cosumnes River Preserve—Galt**

Welcome to our new partners!

The “**Regional Water Authority**” (www.rwah2o.org) and the “**Water Forum**” (waterforum.org) have signed on as sponsors of the SSB. Their member agencies will be conducting free water use audits as part of the “Water Conservation” certification process.

To schedule a Water Audit, call 888-987-8477

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SSB Zero Waste Recycling Tip...

California Take-It-Back Partnership

The California Take-It-Back Partnership is a collaboration between government and business to provide convenient locations for consumers to dispose of everyday items banned from the trash such as used batteries, fluorescent lamps, and electronic devices. Call (916) 341-6000



Your business can be Certified Sustainable!

Call (916) 649-0225

The **Sacramento Regional Recycling Market Development Zone (RMDZ)**



program combines recycling with economic development to fuel new businesses, expand existing ones, create jobs, and divert waste from landfills.

The RMDZ provides attractive 5% loans up to \$2,000,000, technical assistance, and free product marketing to businesses in the zone that use materials from a waste stream to manufacture their products. In addition to loans, there is free product marketing through the **RecycleStore.com** website.

The Sacramento Zone is a partnership between the State of California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB), the Business Environmental Resource Center (BERC), the Sacramento Regional Solid Waste Authority (SWA), and the cities of Citrus Heights, Elk Grove, Folsom, Galt, Isleton, Rancho Cordova, Sacramento, and the City of West Sacramento's Enterprise Zone in Yolo County. Call 916-649-0130 for info.

Sacramento Sustainable Business Program FAQ...

The Sacramento Sustainable Business Program promotes businesses, organizations, and governments in the Sacramento River Watershed that adopt environmentally friendly practices and implement measures to:

- Conserve Energy
- Conserve Water
- Reduce Waste & Pollution
- Recycle and Use Recycled Products
- Implement "Green Building" Measures

The SSB is operated by the Business Environmental Resource Center (BERC) and is sponsored by the Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District, the Water Forum, the Sacramento Municipal Utility District, and the Regional Water Authority.

The Sacramento Sustainable Business Program is Sponsored by...



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Call your local water utility for a Water Wise Survey of your property to help lower your water bills today:

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- ✓ Learn if there are specific incentives from you water utility, such as rebates up to \$125 per toilet for replacement of higher than 1.6 gallons per flush models

The Regional Water Authority can help you lower expenses, which means higher profits.



To schedule a Water Audit, call

888-987-8477

www.rwah20.org

Earth Day

Sacramento Earth Day

On April 20th, The Sacramento Sustainable Business Program hosted a booth at the Southside Park in Sacramento right across the street from the Farmers Market for Sacramento's Earth Day. There were many exhibitors and vendors there who demonstrated *How Green You Can Get!* Hosted by ECOS (Environmental Council of Sacramento, friends of ECOS and the Environmental Studies Department of Sacramento State, this Earth Day teamed with green outreach. There was music, wellness gardens, retail vendors, tasty food, children's activities, arts and crafts from recycled materials, free valet bike parking, alternative fuel vehicles on display, solar and biodiesel generators to power the event, Earth Day canvas bags, live radio broadcasts and a tour of the Southside Community Garden. Along with all these activities and vendors, SSB was there to show thousands of visitors how to become *Certified Sustainable*.

66 and growing fast!

66 businesses, non-profits and government agencies have been "Certified Sustainable" during the past 15 months, since the start of the Sacramento Sustainable Business program in January 2007. There are currently over 50 applicants in the certification process who are implementing environmentally friendly practices.