

# ***MORE THAN JUST COMMERCE PHILOSOPHY***

As a member of the Santa Cruz Community Credit Union's *More Than Just Commerce* Program, our business strives to conduct business in a socially just and environmentally sustainable way. We recognize our role as a locally owned independent business as an opportunity to address the needs of the community. We try to meet and exceed each of these principles each day:

1. To support the community by the nature of our business and/or charitable giving; to care about the strength and sustainability of this community.
2. To buy products and services from locally owned and independent businesses that act according to this philosophy. To provide goods and services of the highest quality while keeping prices affordable.
3. To minimize our impact on the natural environment in every aspect of business operation.
4. To reduce, reuse, recycle, and buy recycled as much as possible; to minimize non-recyclable waste, and to take all hazardous waste to proper facilities to be disposed of; to buy recycled packaging and office supplies.
5. To strive to do business with suppliers that respect and care for the people and resources necessary to create their products; to stay informed about the business actions of our suppliers, and to be open to changing business partners if their values regarding business operations are out of alignment with our own.
6. To provide fair, honest, and respectful service to our customers.
7. To respect our employees and treat them fairly while keeping in mind the living wage; to keep them informed about services and products we provide as well as to keep them informed about social and environmental issues surrounding business/store practices.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Position in Business: \_\_\_\_\_

## **More Than Just Commerce Applicant Agreement**

The undersigned Applicant hereby requests that the business named below be accepted into, and publicly represented to be a participant in, the "More Than Just Commerce Program". ("MTJC Program")

In consideration of MTJC's agreement to accept Applicant as a participant in the Program, Applicant agrees to each of the following terms and conditions:

1. The Applicant hereby authorizes MTJC to publicly represent and publish that the Applicant is a participant in the MTJC program.
2. The Applicant may withdraw from the program at any time, for any reason, provided written notice of such withdrawal is given to MTJC. Within 30 days of the receipt of such written notice, MTJC agrees to use its best efforts to remove the Applicant from any MTJC publication which describes the Applicant as a participant in the Program. MTJC shall not, however, be liable for any claims for damages based upon the failure to remove references to the Applicant from and such publications. MTJC shall not be under any obligation to change any existing printed media as a result of the withdrawal of any participant, and MTJC reserves the right to employ, use or publicly distribute such existing printed materials in the ordinary course of the program.
3. MTJC reserves the right to accept, reject, or remove any person, business or other participant from the MTJC Program for any reason, with or without cause.
4. MTJC reserves the right to terminate, suspend, or modify the MTJC Program at any time without notice to any person, business or other participant in such program.
5. The Applicant hereby agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless MTJC (including MTJC, the Santa Cruz Community Credit Union and the principals, members, directors, officers, employees, affiliates and agents of such organizations) from and against any and all loss, costs, expenses, attorney fees, damages, claims, suits and liabilities, however caused, arising from, or in any way relating to, the Applicant's participation in the MTJC program.
6. The Applicant hereby releases MTJC (including the Santa Cruz Community Credit Union and the principals, members, directors, officers, employees, affiliates and agents of such organizations and of MTJC itself) from any and all liability which might arise by reason of the Applicant's participation in the MTJC program, as well as any omissions or errors in the content of any MTJC publications.
7. The Applicant warrants that he or she has the authority to sign this agreement on behalf of the business indicated.

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Signature

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Date

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Printed Name

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Business Name