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ORGANICALLY GROWN COMPANY RECOGNIZED AS ORGANIC COMPANY OF THE YEAR

Organic Community Gathers to Honor the Organically Grown Company with a National Award for Its Purpose and Impact

PORTLAND, Ore. - Over 700 leaders from the organic business community gathered last week for An Organic Night Out: Honoring the Year's Best in Organic, considered the first-ever "Organic Oscars" event celebrating the successes of organic game-changers making a real difference in helping consumers understand the importance of choosing organic. Organically Grown Company (OGC), the nation's largest fresh produce wholesaler dedicated to organic agriculture, was honored with the prestigious Organic Company of the Year award.

The Organic Center and Organic Voices announced the winners at the 2024 Natural Products Expo West trade show on March 13 in Anaheim, Calif., during an event emceed by actor and entrepreneur Jennifer Garner and co-founder and chairman of Stonyfield Farm Gary Hirshberg. All award winners were nominated and chosen by their organic industry peers.

The Organic Company of the Year award recognizes the company that has done the most to advance interest, awareness, sales and support of certified organic products. OGC was honored for its mission to grow the organic movement and for making a real difference for nearly 50 years. The company partners with more than 350 suppliers representing 1,000 organic farms to source and supply grocers, restaurants and food makers with premium organic produce. OGC is also an active and vocal advocate for organic policy and causes, donating 2.5% of profits to charity and investing in the organic supply chain through its Mission Fund grant program.

"We're thrilled and humbled to win this award," said Brenna Davis, CEO of Organically Grown Company. "We're not just playing by the rules; we're rewriting them. From shaking up the status quo with our advocacy to spreading the organic message through our 'Organic is the Answer' campaign, we're rebels with a cause. Our hearts are full of gratitude to everyone who is a part of the organic trade – especially our coworkers, growers, investors and community."

In 2018, OGC boldly transitioned its ownership to a purpose trust, ensuring its independence and mission continue into the future. In 2023, the company launched its "Organic is the Answer" awareness campaign, packed with science-based facts to help everyone learn more about the benefits of organic.

More details on the awards and a complete list of winners can be found at https://www.organic-center.org/news.

For more information about Organically Grown Company's purpose and impact, visit www.organicgrown.com

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