## Zero Waste



# Sustainability Showcase

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## "What we're being called to do is to find our values and infuse them into our lives, and into the things that we do, make, and use."

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### Alternatives in the Kitchen





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- 1. Store your food in glass or metal containers.
- 2. No more baggies! When packing lunches, choose reusable glass or metal containers, brown paper sandwich bags or silicone snack bags instead of baggies or plastic wrap.
- 3. Choose reusable. Use utensils from your own drawer or use bamboo.
- 4. Get rid of plastic cooking utensils. Buy wood or metal ones.

### Alternatives in the Kitchen (cont.)

- Forget bottled water. Bottled water is expensive and the plastic bottles are unhealthy. Choose filtered tap water in a reusable glass or BPA free metal bottle instead.
- 6. Bring your own reusable bags to the grocery store. Skip the single use plastic bags for produce and bulk items and use cloth or mesh bags instead.
- 7. Skip the non-stick. The non-stick coating on pots and pans is actually plastic. Instead, choose cast iron or stainless steel so you can cook plastic-free!

### Alternatives in the Kitchen (cont.)

- 8. Use Bee's Wrap, waxed paper, cloth bowl covers or silicone "food huggers" to wrap food up to refrigerate.
- 9. Use paper bags or newspaper to line your trash can instead of plastic bags.
- 10.Skip the sponge! Use dish cloths that can be washed and used many times.
- 11.Instead of using plastic straws, buy stainless steel ones.

### Alternatives in the Kitchen (cont.)

- 12. Keep a container in your car for bringing home left-overs from the restaurant.
- 13.Also, keep some utensils, from your drawer or bamboo, and a cloth napkin in your car instead of using plastic utensils and paper napkins for take-out foods.
- 14.Compost food waste!

### Alternatives in the Bathroom



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- 1. Choose bamboo toothbrushes.
- 2. Use compostable silk floss.
- 3. Make your own toothpaste or buy ones that are nearly plastic-free or use baking soda.
- 4. Use bar soap rather than liquid soap packaged in plastic bottles.
- 5. Try to use toilet paper wrapped in paper instead of plastic wrap.

### Alternatives in the Bathroom (cont.)

- 6. Use a safety razor and save money as well as preventing a lot of plastic from entering the landfill.
- 7. Bar shampoos are a great alternative to buying all those plastic bottles of shampoo.

# **Alternative Cleaning Supplies**



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- 1. Buy detergents and cleaning supplies in boxes rather than plastic bottles. Use Eco Nuts for washing clothes, a completely natural cleaning product.
- 2. Vinegar and baking soda are wonderful cleaners, and they'll also save you money.
- 3. If you have to use dryer sheets, choose reusable ones—they're also chemical-free!
- 4. Use rags instead of paper towels—it is also a way to reuse old t-shirts and towels.

## Suggested Websites





