



GREEN MASJID ACTION PLAN

Alhamdulillah, your masjid has made the intention to GO GREEN! Now it is time to take action In Shaa Allah. Here are some suggestions for the next steps to follow with resources that can be used for it. Please feel free to reach out to the Green Team (awigreenteam@gmail.com) anytime and we are here to support you every step of the way In Shaa Allah.

- Formally announce to the community via email, newsletter, website, and/or social media that the masjid is joining the Green Masjid Initiative.
- Display a banner or posters at the masjid to educate the community regarding green practices. AWI can provide these. (see email attachments for samples)
- Organize green masjid initiative tables/fundraisers to raise awareness and engage the community in supporting the masjid in implementing greener practices. Please feel free to reach out to the Green Team to find out how we can help your masjid with funding or with training green volunteers.
- Purchase [green alternatives](#) (click on link to see suggested buying links) to styrofoam for food and beverage distribution.
- Remove all styrofoam from the masjid. In order to facilitate this important change in our community it is crucial that we DO NOT USE STYROFOAM in our community events because this is sending the wrong message to our community that it is ok to keep using styrofoam. However, in order to avoid waste, you can donate remaining stock to a soup kitchen.
- Prepare your masjid's vendor agreements with requirements to use eco-friendly alternatives to styrofoam at masjid events. ([sample](#) provided by AWI)
- Submit the [Zero Styrofoam Certification Form](#) on our website. After completing the form, you will be contacted by the Green Team to confirm your certification and receive your **Zero Styrofoam Certification** logo for your masjid which can be used on your website and social media to raise awareness.
- Provide [green khutbah](#) regularly and reminders in newsletters to help educate the community about the role of muslims in environmental protection.
- Provide regular classes/eco-club for youth or green workshops/events to educate the community on the importance of taking care of the earth as a muslim.
- Encourage the community to bring their own reusable dishware to events by consistently reminding them on flyers for masjid events and offering incentives.
- Have a recycle station and provide frequent education to remind the community on proper use.
- Remove plastic water bottles from masjid and provide water fountain/refill station. Encourage the community to bring reusable water bottles.