

Dear Vendor:

Thank you for your interest in participating at _____ in _____! We are proud to that In keeping in line with the Sunnah and the tradition of our Prophet (PBUH) that this is a zero or low-waste event. We ask that you help us in our goal of having as little waste as possible. At this even, we ask that you plan ahead and distribute only materials that are recyclable or made from sustainable materials. To understand more about why we are doing this, please watch this video on [Art and Wilderness Institute's Website](#).

Vendors attending _____ are required to hand out only recyclable or sustainable materials to the public. We have included a link to local recycling and composting guidelines with this contract so you can know which types of containers and packaging will be accepted.. Remember, if an item is not recyclable locally, we cannot recycle it, even if your supplier has told you it can be recycled..

Our Toward Zero Waste goal is simple to attain if you plan ahead of time for the types of materials you will be providing to the public at the event. *Please note that you will be asked to remove any non-recyclable or non-compostable items from your salable products for the duration of the event. Vendors are required to hand out only recyclable or [sustainable service ware](#).*

Here are some ideas to help you achieve this goal:

- Whenever possible, offer finger foods so as to use fewer utensils. Food items generate a minimal amount of waste for either trash or recycling.
- Consider replacing plastic bowls (for serving chili and soups) with bread bowls and using cones for ice cream. Paper napkins are compostable and can replace bulkier plates. If you must use plates, cups, bowls, cutlery, etc., do not use Styrofoam or plastic.
- Raise the price of your products and offer a discount if the public brings their own servingware or utensils.
- We know sustainable servingware is more expensive than styrofoam so please price your items a little more expensive to absorb the cost.

ABSOLUTELY NO:

- Styrofoam cups, containers, or trays or any styrofoam of any kind
- Plastic Water Bottles
- Plastic utensils, cups, or servingware
- Plastic bags

This agreement must be signed and returned to the event planning committee two weeks prior to the event in order for your business to participate.

As a vendor participating in _____, I agree to distribute my product in locally recyclable or sustainable products and incentivise bringing reusable servingware.

Please send signed contract no later than _____ to:

BUSINESS NAME

Employee Name:

(please print)

(Signature)

(date)

(Title)

