

Food Vendor and Exhibitor Pledge

The Rochester Think Green Fair features businesses and organizations that offer sustainable products, services and education. At this year's fair, we hope to reduce our footprint by working toward a goal of zero waste. Food and beverages served at the fair are judged by the origin and quality of their ingredients and production methods, as well as the materials in which they are packaged and served. Sustainable packaging and service

ware should be made of recyclable or compostable materials. We ask that vendors make a conscious effort to reduce the use of other materials that cannot be recycled.

I, ______ (exhibitor), agree to provide food and beverages that meet the criteria stated above and use one or more of the following materials:

- Glass bottles and jars
- Plastic bottles (#1 and #2)
- Aluminum cans
- Tin cans
- Cardboard
- Boxboard
- Paper napkins or wrapping (wax paper is fine)
- Biodegradable food service products (paper cups and plates, plant-based cups, cutlery, bowls, etc.)

The following materials are NOT allowed to be distributed in any way at the event:

- Plastic serviceware (cups, cutlery, etc.)
- Plastic tubs (yogurt, applesauce, creamer, etc.)
- Plastic wrapping (granola bars, snack bags)

Failure to provide food and beverages packaged and served in recyclable and compostable materials will result in the following consequences:

- Vendor/exhibitor will be asked to cease distributing materials.
- Unacceptable serviceware replaced at vendor's expense.
- Appearance in future Think Green Fairs jeopardized.

Please contact Caitlin Meyer by email: meyer.caitlin@co.olmsted.mn.us or phone: (507) 328-6396 for questions regarding recycling and waste.

Print Name	Business/Organization
Signature	 Date

Trouble finding vendors that carry compostable service-ware? For an extensive list of vendors selling recyclable and compostable materials, please visit:

http://www.sfenvironment.org/downloads/library/fsw_vendor_list_edited_11.03.pdf