UCSF is Working to Achieve Zero Waste

ZERO WASTE CATERING GUIDELINES

Businesses meeting the requirements for all events at UCSF will receive a green leaf icon on the America to Go/BearBuy website.

ACCEPTABLE

DISHWARE & TABLEWARE
- Re-usable dishware, cutlery and beverage mugs*
- BPI** certified compostable dishware, cutlery and cups (clearly labeled compostable)
- Paper plates, bowls and cups (compostable)
- Recyclable plastic cups, plates and cutlery
- Wood or bamboo chopsticks and cutlery; toothpicks (no plastic tips)
- Cloth napkins and tablecloths, if not available use compostable paper products
  *reusable serving ware is preferable
  **BPI/Biodegradable Products Institute certifies products that meet compostable standards

DRINKS
- Coffee and tea served in re-usable dispensers
- If possible, serve water and beverages in large dispensers

PACKAGING
- Condiments served in re-usable dispensers or containers are preferred rather than single packets
- Buffet style on platters, no boxed meals or wrapped sandwiches
- Aluminum foil, aluminum cans, or glass
- Paper board, cardboard, wax paper, butcher paper

NOT ACCEPTABLE
- Aseptic/Tetra Pak beverage containers
- Styrofoam, plastic wrap, plastic straws, balloons
- Plastic table covers
- Non-BPI* certified materials (i.e. Taterware is an example of non-BPI certified)

RESOURCES
- BPI lists companies selling BPI Certified Compostable Products:
  http://products.bpiworld.org/
- Food Runners is a non-profit organization that picks up prepared food for people in need:
  http://www.foodrunners.org/

I have read and agree to all of the requirements listed above for all events hosted at UCSF. If approved, I will provide signage with the business name and wording, “We are proud to be a certified UCSF Zero Waste Vendor”. Please return signed form to sustainability@ucsf.edu. My signature below indicates my commitment to UCSF’s goal of Zero Waste by 2020. For questions about the requirements, please e-mail the UCSF Recycling & Waste Reduction Program, recycling@ucsf.edu.

Catering Company_______________________________________________________ Phone ________________________________
Website___________________________________________ E-mail ________________________________________________________________
Owner/Manager Name_________________________________________________________________________ Date______________________