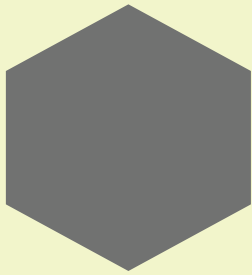




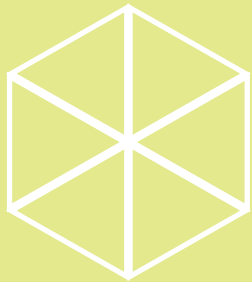
A Zero Waste event is any one-time program, occasion, or event that diverts 90% or more of the event's materials from the landfill.

Now you can have your own Zero Waste event at Ohio State!



WHY ZERO WASTE

Zero Waste events minimize the waste generated by diverting the waste to be recycled or composted. This encourages attendees to think about the environmental consequences of their actions and helps contribute to a growing culture of sustainability.



Making your event Zero Waste can help your organization demonstrate environmental responsibility and teach guests about sustainability.

Diversion greatly reduces the amount of landfill waste produced by Ohio State and helps us save financial resources.



Recycling reduces greenhouse gas emissions, saves natural resources, and reduces pollution.

Composting creates a useful product that can be used again.



HOW DO I HOST A ZERO WASTE EVENT?

Let us handle it! Simply inform your event coordinator that you would like to make your event Zero Waste. The main diversion operations will take place behind the scenes. When our staff prepares, serves, and clears food and beverages for your event, they will ensure that food and material waste are sorted into the correct streams. If you would like Zero Waste containers to be available all day, you will also have the option to rent bins with separate compost, recycling, and trash streams for your guests.



WHAT HAPPENS TO OUR EVENT WASTE?

After the event, our staff completes a comprehensive Zero Waste audit. The waste is sorted carefully to correct any mistakes that may have occurred during the event, and the total volume of each waste stream is weighed. Shortly after the event, our team will be able to provide you with the exact percentage of the event waste that is diverted. The organics will be composted on campus while recycling and trash will be retrieved by our waste collection service.



There is only a minimal cost associated with hosting a Zero Waste event. Additional resources can be found at:

fod.osu.edu/zero-waste

Contact your event coordinator for more information!