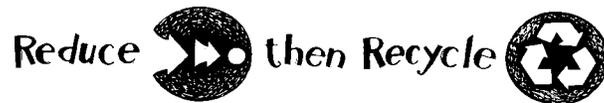


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GENERATE A LARGE AMOUNT OF WASTE IN A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME.

Reducing waste can decrease operational expenses, provide additional revenue, and offer possible tax deductions for donated items. Reduce waste by reducing, reusing, and recycling. Start now by placing emphasis on reducing waste and recycling the following materials commonly generated at venues and events.

Corrugated Cardboard

- Flatten and set empty boxes aside for recycling. Recycling will cut disposal costs and may even generate revenue.
- If waxed cardboard is not acceptable to cardboard buyers, it may be acceptable to composters.

Beverage Containers

- Many aluminum cans, glass, and plastic bottle have a California Refund Value (CRV).
- Receive 4 cents for a container that is less than 24 ounces and 8 cents for a container that is 24 ounces or larger. Redeem containers at a certified recycling center. Locate one at www.bottleandcans.com/
- Not every container is a CRV container. Look for "CRV" on the label to ensure recyclability. For complete details access the Department of Conservation's website at www.consrv.ca.gov/DOR/.

Paper (pamphlets, fliers, brochures, programs, tickets, receipts, catalogs, etc.)

- Keep recyclable paper clean and dry.
- Reduce paper use by printing on both sides.

Plastics (bags, wrap, buckets, straws, cups, plates, eating utensils, etc.)

- Work to reduce the wastes by choosing reusable or compostable alternatives.
- Work with you service provider to identify recycling opportunities.

Wood Waste (wood pallets, lumber, old stage props, etc.)

- Pallets can be sold, reused for shipping, or returned to vendors.
- Donate old stage props to local schools or community theaters.
- Shred or chip to use as mulch.

Green Waste (centerpieces, animal bedding, manure, landscape trimmings, etc.)

- Plants, centerpieces, and other decorative greenery in good condition can be donated to hospitals and senior centers. If an item is past decorative life, it can be composted.
- Compost of mulch leaves and grass clippings, or when mowing, leave clipping on the lawn. Nature has a way of decomposing these organic materials and naturally reusing them.

Food

- Plan to serve food in a way that minimizes waste. For example, serve hot dogs or burritos in a napkin only.
- Donate excess food to area food banks or rescue organizations. Contact them prior to your event so you know how to properly store the food before donation.
- Food scraps may be compostable in certain areas.

MANDATORY / WASTE REDUCTION AT VENUE & FACILITIES AND LARGE EVENTS DATA COLLECTION SHEET

Example Venues / Events to Consider:

- Aerial Performances
- Conference Center Activities
- Chamber of Commerce Events
- Large Commercial Complexes
- Beach Events
- Museums
- Flea Markets/Swap Meets/Car Shows
- Charity/Fitness Runs and Walks
- School Events
- Art and Wine / Cultural and Holiday Festivals

Information to Gather on Each Qualifying Venue / Event:

Name of venue/events: _____

Annual Date if Applies: _____

Attendance Estimate: _____

Fees Charged & Reason: _____

2,000 + Average Daily Attendance? ¹



NO -----▶ *This venue/event DOES NOT count*

Or

YES -----▶ *Charge to Participate / Attend? ²*



YES -----▶ *This venue/event DOES count*

Or

NO -----▶ *Is this venue/event hosted by a local agency?*



NO -----▶ *This venue/event DOES count*

Or

YES -----▶ *This venue/event DOES NOT count*

¹ Attendance includes attendees, employees, and volunteers

² Paid event tickets, parking, mandatory donations, and registration fees all constitute charging admission.