

Greening Your 100th Anniversary Event Guidelines

Incorporate the following guidelines before, during, and after your 100th Anniversary event. Challenge yourself to Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and be "Forever Green".

Reduce

- Limit number of paper handouts used by e-mailing potential participants your local event's link on the [GSCNC 100th Anniversary Events Google Map](#)
- Limit number of handouts by decreasing paper size (smaller font, half sheets, etc.) or double siding the paper
- If possible, print handouts with a vegetable- or soy-based ink
- Eliminate packaging by buying items in bulk rather than individually packaged servings
- Avoid non-recyclable items when shopping – look for items that are recyclable in your area
- If you buy cleaning supplies, consider buying non-toxic cleaners
- Encourage attendees to bring their re-usable water bottles to event as part of our council's [Forever Green Plastic Challenge](#) and sign the [Forever Green Pledge](#)
- Provide a water refill station at event for people to refill their reusable water bottles
- Encourage attendees to carpool to event
- Encourage attendees to use public transportation to reach events if possible
- If the event is inside, seek natural lighted areas to reduce the need for electricity
- [Write in another reduce guideline you followed]*

Reuse

- Use reusable shopping bags when shopping for your event
- Reuse decorations and props from other events
- Use refillable or reusable beverage containers (example – pitchers and punch bowls rather than canned or bottled products)
- Use reusable serving products (example – washable plates and cups, cloth napkins, and silverware rather than plastic or Styrofoam options)
- If you use name badges, consider using reusable name tags
- [Write in another reuse guideline you followed]*

Recycle

- Use paper with recycled content for handouts
- Buy supplies with recycled content, such as cups, plates, and napkins
- Provide a recycling bin to collect empty plastic, glass, and aluminum beverage containers , check your local county for recycling guidelines
- Provide a recycling bin to collect any cardboard and paper used during event, check your local county for recycling guidelines
- If you are providing food at event, consider donating excess food to local charitable organizations
- [Write in another recycle guideline you followed]*