# **Plastic Waste Reduction Grant**



#### **Contact Information**

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Plastics cause major environmental impacts in our neighborhoods, waterways, and oceans, and they often do not break down. Due to its lightweight construction, it blows around easily into our waterways and becomes a major source of neighborhood litter. One of the main issues with eliminating Styrofoam and plastics is that they are the cheapest packaging products available compared to reusable products and more environmentally friendly compostable or post-consumer options. earthday365 has received access to the PSI (Product Stewardship Institute) Grant from the EPA. This grant gives businesses within the food and beverage industry access to up to \$500 in reimbursable funding to remove disposable plastic packaging from your food and drink operations. The funding is designed to help businesses see the cost savings in using reusable products and the environmental benefits of switching from disposable products. By completing the steps below and signing the plastic reduction pledge, you will qualify for access to reimbursements with proof of purchase on reusable or more environmentally friendly products.

#### **Steps to Complete**

- Sign the Pledge below
- Complete Plastic Waste Footprint Calculator for the item you are replacing (quick and easy process)
- Schedule training/meeting (30 min) with the Green Dining Alliance and PSI to cover sustainable strategies to become more environmentally friendly. The GDA is a restaurant sustainability certification program of earthday365.

### **Plastic and Disposables Reduction Pledge**

I commit to using this grant funding to replace disposable plastic products with reusable or more environmentally friendly products.

I commit.

Signature:\_\_\_\_\_

Date:			

# How the grant funding works

Once your business has identified the disposable product(s) it will replace, signs the commitment form, fills out the plastic waste footprint calculator, and meets with PSI and GDA you will be eligible to begin receiving reimbursements from earthday365. earthday365 will award reimbursements for up to \$500 upon receiving proof of purchase with a receipt of the reusable or more environmentally friendly products along with pictures of the product in service.

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