



**AFFECTING RECYCLING AND  
REUSE CHANGE IN YOUR TOWN  
BUILDING A GRASSROOTS REUSE MOVEMENT**

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# WORLD CAFÉ ACTIVITY

BUILDING A  
GRASSROOTS  
REUSE MOVEMENT

# CAFÉ ETIQUETTE

Help make this a safe space so everyone feels comfortable contributing their ideas and has a chance to talk:

- Please turn off your cell phone to avoid disruptions
- Speak your mind and heart
- Listen to understand and ask clarifying questions
- Keep focused on what matters
- Doodle, connect & organize ideas

**Have fun!**





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# GROUPS

1. Group Artist (captures “big ideas”)
2. Table Host (stays at table)
3. Facilitator (keeps discussion on track)
4. Traveler (idea person)
5. Traveler (idea person)

# CAFÉ DISCUSSIONS

(20 MINS X 3 ROUNDS)

**Round 1:** Consider the **extended waste hierarchy**. Where does your time, energy and efforts in your current role fall on this waste hierarchy?

**Round 2:** How are you a **leader** in your community when it comes to **recycling and reuse**?

**Round 3:** What **one action** do you want to take in your community this year to help **inspire** more waste avoidance?

# ROUND 1

## Discussion:

Consider the **extended waste hierarchy**. Where does your time, energy and efforts in your current role fall on this waste hierarchy?

## An **Extended** Waste Hierarchy



# ROUND 2

## Discussion:

How are you a **leader** in your community when it comes to **recycling and reuse**?

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# ROUND 3

## Discussion:

What **one action** do you want to take in your community this year **to help inspire** more waste avoidance?

Ten Towns • Ten Actions Toolkit Checklist					
8/29 completed					
✓	Date	Action	Approach	Ten Towns Leader Resource	Partner
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Policy Actions: First Steps</a>	Policy	First Steps Information	All, TTT Resource Person
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">July Proclamation for Plastic Pollution Reduction</a>	Policy	<a href="#">Kristine Baber</a>	Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Single Use Plastic Reduction Resolution</a>	Policy	<a href="#">Kristine Baber</a>	Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Submit a Warrant Article at Town Meeting</a>	Policy	<a href="#">Patsy Beffa-Negrini</a>	Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Collaborate With Town/City Committees</a>	Policy	<a href="#">Cindy Heath</a>	Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Collaborate With Town/City Departments</a>	Policy	<a href="#">Cindy Heath</a>	Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Work With Your Regional Planning Commission to Conduct a Plastic Waste Survey</a>	Policy	<a href="#">Cindy Heath</a>	Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Propose a Ban on Single Use Plastic Water &amp; Soda Bottles</a>	Policy	<a href="#">Christina Dubin</a>	Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Engagement Actions: First Steps</a>	Engagement	First Steps Information	All, TTT Resource Person
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Connect With Your School's Environmental Action Club</a>	Engagement	<a href="#">Bonnie Christie</a>	Teachers and Students
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Engage with Your Library for Education on Plastic Reduction</a>	Engagement	<a href="#">Kristine Baber &amp; Cynthia Walter</a>	Librarians
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Present to Local Group(s): Faith, Civic, Business, Youth</a>	Engagement	<a href="#">Bonnie Christie</a>	Organizations
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Start a 'Recycle Right' Campaign with Your Solid Waste Manager</a>	Engagement	Vacant	Solid Waste Managers
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Organize a Climate Cafe With a Plastic Waste Reduction Focus</a>	Engagement	<a href="#">Cindy Heath</a>	Organizations
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Host a Screen of Microplastic Madness - Award-Winning Documentary</a>	Engagement	<a href="#">Cindy Heath</a>	Teachers and Students
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Start Publishing Green Tips</a>	Engagement	<a href="#">Kristine Baber</a>	Organizations
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Start a Plastic Film Recycling Challenge</a>	Engagement	<a href="#">Mary Armstrong</a>	Organizations
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Establish a Sustainability Committee</a>	Engagement	<a href="#">Nancy Dowey</a>	Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Start an Environmental Club at Your School</a>	Engagement	<a href="#">Lilac Snowden-Hallowell</a>	Teachers and Students
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Write a Letter to the Editor About the Problem with Plastics</a>	Engagement	<a href="#">Susan Richman</a>	Organizations
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Integrate Plastic Pollution into STEM, Art or Other Classes</a>	Engagement	<a href="#">Patsy Beffa-Negrini &amp; Cynthia Walter</a>	Teachers and Students
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Use Your Creativity to Educate Others and Address the Plastics Problem</a>	Engagement	<a href="#">Mary Armstrong &amp; Cindy Heath</a>	Organizations
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Infrastructure Projects: First Steps</a>	Infrastructure	First Steps Information	Faith Leaders
<input type="checkbox"/>		<a href="#">Organize a Polystyrene Foam Collection Day</a>	Infrastructure	<a href="#">Cindy Heath</a>	Teachers and Students

<https://www.10towns.org/actions>

# COFFEE (OR TEA) IS SERVED!



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