THERE'S A BETTER WAY THAN THROW-AWAY

HOW TO SWITCH FROM SINGLE-USE TO REUSE

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WHY REUSE OVER SINGLE-USE

WHY?

- Reduces even eliminates waste and single-use
- Lowers carbon emissions + water use
- Improves visitor experience
- Increases employee satisfaction
- Saves money spent on disposables. Increases profitability!
- Secures your place as a leader for a better, cleaner future

WHO?

- Government
- Businesses
- Office
- Buildings
- Schools
- Large Venues

What kind of New York Eatery "checked the boxes"?	How many types of disposable items replaced with reusables?	What was the investment amount?	What was the annual net cost savings?
Pizza Restaurant	3	$170	$3,043
BBQ Restaurant	6	$557	$20,517
Carribbean Restaurant	4	$636	$22,122

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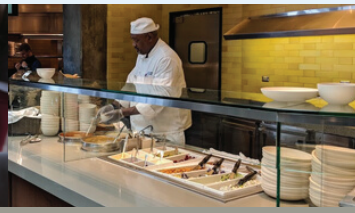
CHECKLIST FOR EASY CHANGES

CONSIDER CUTTING OUT:

- ☐ Individually-wrapped condiment packets *(use reusable condiment dispensers)*
- ☐ Plastic toothpicks
- ☐ Plastic-wrapped disposable utensils
- ☐ Plastic drink stirrers *(use metal spoons)*

REPLACE WITH REUSABLES:

- ☐ Hot beverage cups and lids
- ☐ Single-use take-out containers
- ☐ Single-use plates and/or bowls
- ☐ Plastic utensils



PLEDGE TO:

- ☐ Ask before giving any disposable items out
- ☐ Offer reusable straws upon request only
- ☐ Offer napkins from a self-serve dispenser
- ☐ Provide a water refill station along with reusable cups

BONUS:

- ☐ Give your employees reusable cups to use while on-shift
- ☐ Provide throw-away-free coffee stations without single-use pods and cups

OK, I'm Convinced! You're ready to make the switch from single-use to reuse. That's GREAT news! We're UPSTREAM and we're here to guide you through the process. CONTACT US for a free and personal session to walk through a customized solution for your business or venue.

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