

## **Palos Verdes Street Fair and Music Festival**

### **“Green” Guidelines for Food Vendors**

The purpose of a “green” Food Court is to support the effort to curb harmful effects on the environment through consumer habits, behavior, and lifestyle. The Palos Verdes Street Fair and Music Festival also would like to provide its attendees with a healthful alternative to traditional festival fare.

#### **Food Vendor Criteria:**

Items sold in the Food Court must meet *at least one of the following criteria:*

- Locally grown/seasonal produce
- “Clean” Eats (whole, natural foods i.e. fruits, vegetables, lean meat, complex carbohydrates – No Refined Sugar)
- Meals prepared using Organic ingredients
- Meals prepared using Farm raised/grain fed meat and poultry (grass fed beef)
- Whole foods – not processed
- Sustainably-raised food items (see [www.sustainabletable.org](http://www.sustainabletable.org))
- Avoid single-serving containers of anything (condiments, sugar, cream, etc.)

#### **The following is not allowed in the Food Court:**

- Styrofoam
- Other non-recyclable items

If you must use disposables, we strongly urge you to use products that are bio-based, paper or recyclable such as biodegradable forks, knives, spoons, napkins, plates, etc. It is less to landfill and better for the environment. Some helpful websites include:

[www.biosmartpackaging.com](http://www.biosmartpackaging.com)  
[www.worldcentric.org](http://www.worldcentric.org)  
[www.goinggreensolutions.com](http://www.goinggreensolutions.com)  
[www.greenoffice.com](http://www.greenoffice.com)  
[www.bpiworld.org](http://www.bpiworld.org)  
[www.biocorpusa.com](http://www.biocorpusa.com)  
[www.ecoproducts.com](http://www.ecoproducts.com)  
[www.biodegradablestore.com](http://www.biodegradablestore.com)

**Recycling:** The PVSF&MF will provide recycling for its participants. Recycling for aluminum cans, plastic bottles, glass bottles, paper and cardboard will be highly visible and made available to the public with clear signage. One of the event generators runs on biodiesel fuel, so we will be collecting used cooking oil from food vendors each day to power it.

**Waste Reduction:** The PVSF&MF is committed to reducing the amount of waste generated by the event overall. We are encouraging exhibitors and vendors to minimize wastes. Vendors must break down and flatten any cardboard boxes to facilitate recycling. It is the responsibility of the vendor to properly contain and dispose of oils and special waste.