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PROTECTING OUR RESOURCES TOGETHER

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Zero Waste Marin would like to pass along a few tips to help Marin County residents reduce waste.

- **Reusable Containers:** Instead of plastic or paper bags, use reusable containers to pack your family's food and beverages. Whether you are going for a hike on Mt. Tam, heading to the park for the afternoon or packing a school lunch, reusable containers are the best way to hold snacks for the trip.
- **Cloth Napkins:** Swap paper towels for cloth napkins and dishcloths both at home and in packed lunches. Cloth napkins are easy to clean and can be reused for years, and you will save money on paper towels.
- **BYOBag:** Add a reminder to bring your own reusable shopping bag to your shopping list. Simple actions like this help keep waste out of our landfills. Remember to keep a reusable shopping bag in your car for any unplanned trips.
- **“Compostable” Plastics:** Even though they claim to be biodegradable and compostable, vegetable-based “compostable” utensils, cups and bags cannot be placed in the Green Cart in Marin County. Please put them, along with paper cups with thin plastic liners, in the landfill cart. Instead, use firmware that can be washed and reused.

Spring is a great time of year for us all to embrace new waste reduction habits at home. Let's continue to work together to keep Marin County beautiful and thriving.

Zero Waste Marin works with cities and towns throughout Marin County to educate residents about reducing the amount of waste that goes into our local landfills. For more information, visit [ZeroWasteMarin.org](https://zerowastemarin.org).