

## Thanks for visiting our ECO-booth at Tacoma Ocean Fest 2020

As promised, we've gathered some great stuff for you!

### Play our virtual Spin-the-Wheel Zero-Waste game

To play follow the link to <https://forms.gle/pUrB35zdKFRizGZX8>

### Nominate your favorite Repair Shop

Share the names of the shops in your neighborhood or city to help build a comprehensive database of places to repair stuff.

<https://forms.gle/KTGsUzvRvxBHUrE8>



### Learn more about the laws Zero Waste Washington works on

To stay up to date, follow the link <https://zerowastewashington.org/help-pass-laws/>

### Sign up for info about upcoming Fix-it Fairs near you

- Tacoma - <https://mailchi.mp/099ee345779e/fixitfairstacoma>
- Seattle - <https://mailchi.mp/zerowastewashington/fixitfairs>
- Kitsap County - <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/WAKITSAP/signup/13147>

### Tips to get you started on your quest toward zero waste

- Ask "Do I really need it?" Or can you "make do" with what you have? A big part of zero waste is reclaiming the ability to know what is enough and not being duped into buying the newest shiniest thing.
- **Buy used, when possible.** This helps extend the life of consumer goods and keep them out of the landfill.
- **Repurpose and consider the "next best use"** for items. Maybe you have an item that doesn't serve your original needs... could it be turned into something else that you do need? Get creative!
- **Repair.** You can get your items repaired at our free Fix-it Fairs (see above) or learn how to repair yourself!
- **Borrow** rarely-used items from Tool Libraries or buy them jointly with family or friends.
- **Do It Yourself.** Make it. Flex your skills or learn something new. DIY'ing allows you to customize too!
- **Refuse (politely!) bags,** straws when you go to stores and restaurants.
- **Reuse and Bring Your Own.** Of course it applies to water bottles and shopping bags, but it can apply to everything from to-go containers, to snacks and drinks (in your own containers), utensils, condiments, masks, flip flops (like in spa and nail salon settings), napkins/towels, and more.
- **Plan your meals** to avoid food spoiling in your fridge. Organic waste is a top category by weight that we as the society produce.
- **Buy in bulk.** Bulk usually means less packaging - a great opportunity to use your refillable containers!
- **Scraps to stock.** Turn food scraps into soup stock - you can use leftover vegetable scraps, cheese rinds, bones, and more. You can also freeze the scraps