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Resources for Businesses – Sample Alternatives to Plastic

Reusable containers are always the best choice for the environment and public health !

If a disposable container is absolutely necessary, choose plant products:

• Bagasse (sugarcane fiber)	• Palm leaf
• Wheat straw	• Bamboo
• Silver grass (miscanthus)	• Wood
• Paper (uncoated)	

Or, see TABLE here below for specific products:

COMMON PLASTIC PRODUCTS <i>(Pricing provided by Sysco)</i>	UNIT PRICE	ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY ALTERNATIVES	UNIT PRICE	SUPPLIER
Plastic drinking cup (12 oz)	\$0.08	Paper Cup	\$0.10	SYSCO EarthPlus Line
Black plastic plate (6")	\$0.19	Molded Fiber Paper Plate	\$0.15	SYSCO EarthPlus Line
Plastic utensils	\$0.25	Bamboo	\$0.15	SYSCO EarthPlus Line
Plastic utensils in sealed pack	\$0.25	Wood Utensil Set In Sealed Pack	\$0.16	WEBSTAURANT EcoChoice Line
Plastic polystyrene clamshell container (9")	\$0.26	Clamshell made with Sugarcane	\$0.29	WEBSTAURANT EcoChoice Line
Black plastic tongs for catering (10.75")	\$1.00	Reduced Plastic Alternative	\$0.92	SYSCO EarthPlus Line
Black plastic catering tray bottom	\$3.98	Tray made with Sugarcane	\$2.12	WEBSTAURANT EcoChoice Line
Plastic catering dome lid	\$1.86	Compostable PLA Plastic Lid	\$4.14	WEBSTAURANT EcoChoice Line
Plastic straw, wrapped (7.63")	\$0.02	Paper straw, wrapped (7.75")	\$0.02	WEBSTAURANT EcoChoice Line