

Workshop: Inspiring New Yorkers to Achieve 'Zero Waste'

NYC generates 13,000 tons of waste per day, costing taxpayers \$375MM each year to export to other states, and in the process, creating climate impacts, health risks, and blight. To curb these risks, in 2015, Mayor de Blasio announced a plan to divert 90% of the City's waste to landfill by 2030 and create a new consumption culture in NYC. Now we must begin the task of garnering grassroots support for the Plan, and help consumers start to see waste as a source of value. How can concerned citizens help NYC get on the path towards 'Zero waste'?

This workshop's goal is to jumpstart awareness and action among NYC residents for NYC's new 'Zero Waste by 2030' plan. It is designed to help congregations, community groups, businesses and other organizations to discover and act upon the unique opportunities New Yorkers have to live better by reducing, reusing and recycling more at home and in their communities and workplaces.

Agenda

Part 1: It's Time to Reduce Waste in NYC

 How Much Does NYC Waste? Where Does It Go?
 How Does Your Community Stack Up?

 Part 2: Introducing NYC's Zero Waste Plan

 8 Recycling and Recovery Initiatives
 How You Can Participate

 Part 3: Beyond Recycling to Reduce and Reuse

 Why Reduce and Reuse?
 Group Brainstorm: Ideas for Action
 How to Influence Others to Reduce Waste

 Part 4: Conclusion and Next Steps

 What Will You Pledge To Do?
 Helpful Resources and Evaluation



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Informed by the WeHateToWaste Global Community, Delivered by Experts

This workshop has been developed and is personally facilitated by Jacquelyn Ottman, a native New Yorker, green marketing pioneer, award-winning author, zero waste advocate, and certified creative problemsolving facilitator. Since 1989, as founder and principal of J. Ottman Consulting, Inc., Ottman has advised the US EPA's Energy Star label, the USDA's Certified Biobased label, and over 60 Fortune 500 companies on positive strategies for aligning consumers with greener behavior and product purchasing.

In 2012, Ottman founded WeHateToWaste.com to learn what it takes to forge a more resourceful lifestyle in step with contemporary culture and technology. This workshop distills lessons from the 110+ stories that have been shared among the 10,000+ waste-aware individuals who actively engage at the site.

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