

Sustainable Caterers

The following companies employ waste minimization practices and/or offer local, organic food. To suggest additional companies, contact Emily Montan (emily.montan@ucop.edu)

If you have a preferred caterer that is not on this list, you can encourage them to go green asking them to abide by the following practices:

- Plates, cups, napkins, and flatware are made of compostable materials.
- Serve food in a manner that minimizes waste. For example, if sandwiches are served, have bread, meats, cheese, and condiments on platters, or have pre-made sandwiches on open platters, not pre-wrapped and boxed. Chips/side dishes should be offered in bulk if possible. Cookies, fruit, and dessert can be served loose on platters.
- Serve food on trays that are reusable. If disposable is only option, avoid styrene or plastic plates.
- Find sources for organic, local, and sustainable food whenever possible.
- Pitchers of water and coffee, rather than single-serving drinks.
- Ensure that condiments and beverages are not served in single-serving containers. If single-serving containers are the only option, make sure these are recyclable.

Devoted Catering

www.DevotedCatering.com

events@devotedcatering.com

Location: Emeryville

Notes:

- locally-grown, organic, and biodynamic ingredients
- minimum 24 lunches

Awaken Café

www.awakencafe.com

info@awakencafe.com

510-836-2058

Location: 414 14th Street, Oakland

Notes:

- Coffee service with sustainable produce
- Planned expansion to additional catering, late 2009

Back to Earth

<http://www.organiccatering.com>

info@organiccatering.com

(510) 652.2000

Location: Berkeley

Notes:

- Vegetarian and vegan
- Bay Area Certified Green Business (<http://www.greenbiz.ca.gov/ShopGreen.html>)

Café 817

www.cafe817.com/

Phone or fax orders only

Ph: (510) 271-7965

Fax: (510) 271-0778

Location: 817 Washington Street, Oakland

Notes:

- Lunches served in compostable boxes, preservative free meats, organic salads
- Salad dressing comes in individual containers, consider requesting a single, large compostable container for salad dressing.
- Minimum 10 lunches, 24 advance notice needed, \$25 delivery fee

Eden Plaza Café

(510) 433-0641

Location: 1st floor, 1111 Franklin Street

Notes:

- Compostable plates and cups, reusable bulk trays and salad bowls.
- All produce purchased from local farmers and delivered three days a week
- Discounts offered to UCOP employees who bring a reusable cup for coffee
- All food waste (prep and post-consumer) is composted through Franklin Building compost program

Greenleaf Caterers

<http://www.greenleafplatters.com/>

info@greenleafplatters.com

(510) 647-5165

Location: Berkeley

Notes:

- Minimum of 20 orders per item
- Mostly organic, fully compostable paperware
- Bay Area Certified Green Business (<http://www.greenbiz.ca.gov/ShopGreen.html>)

Paulding & Co.

<http://www.pauldingandco.com/gourmet-catering/>

terry@pauldingandco.com

(510) 594-1104

Location: Emeryville

Notes:

- Caters larger events and parties (not business lunches)
- Local, seasonal organic produce, and reusable dishware
- Bay Area Certified Green Business (<http://www.greenbiz.ca.gov/ShopGreen.html>)

Whole Foods

<http://www.wholefoodsmarket.com/stores/oakland/>

kate.pirrello@wholefoods.com

Location: Oakland

Notes:

- Local, organic food available, minimal packaging, compostable plates and napkins