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## Family Ties Environmental Awareness Guidelines

Family Ties is committed to reducing its impact on the environment. We will strive to improve our environmental performance over time and to initiate additional projects and activities that will further reduce our impacts on the environment. Our commitment to the environment extends to our staff, members, participants, and the community in which we operate. We are committed to:

- Comply with all applicable environmental regulations;
- Minimise our waste and then reuse or recycle as much of it as is possible;
- As much as is possible, purchase products and services that do the least damage to the environment;
- Train, educate and inform our employees about environmental issues that may affect their work;
- Promote environmental awareness among our employees and encourage them to work in an environmentally responsible manner;
- communicate our environmental commitment to our members, participants and the public and encourage them to support it ;
- Continually improve over time by striving to measure our environmental impacts and by setting goals to reduce these impacts each year.

What Family Ties has done to date:

- Reduced the amount of paper by purchasing reusable plastic cups, plates and cutlery for all programs and community meals
- Reduced the amount of single use plastic used by purchasing fridge and freezer storage containers, silicone straws, mesh vegetable bags and using our Family Ties cloth bags instead of plastic for our grocery orders
- Promote carpooling among participants and staff
- Encourage the use of the Trading Post to promote recycling of clothes and small household items

Future goals include:

- Purchase re-usable water bottles to replace bottled water on outings
- Reduce the number of catalogues received
- Reduce the amount of printing
- Purchase cloth tablecloths to replace plastic
- Improvements to composting plan
- Purchase dryer balls to replace dryer sheets
- Investigate and purchase environmentally friendly cleaning supplies