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About our troop



- Junior Girl Scouts Troop #60016
- Palo Alto Unified School District
- Skills patches
- Cookie Sale!
- Community Service



The Bronze Award



- **Create a positive lasting change in our community**
- **Assemble a community team**
- **Girls present and vote on their project**



This is



May is Drinking
Straw
Awareness
Month in
Palo Alto!

The Last Straw Awareness Plan

- **May Fete Parade Float!**
- **City Council**
- **Booth at the Palo Alto Earth Day 5K Run**
- **Restaurant participation**
- **Press**
- **School Participation**
- **Public Service Announcement**
- **Website**
- **Girl Scout Training Video**
- **Zero Waste Support**

City of Palo Alto, Public Works-Watershed Protection



Julie Weiss, Joanna
Tran,
Phil Bobel



- Project Mentor
- Website hosting
- Outreach and Educational Materials for Earth Day
- Provide Printing
- Newspaper Ads

Public Outreach



Girl Scout World Thinking Day



Palo Alto Earth Day 5k Run booth

Educational Poster and Table Tents



MAY IS DRINKING STRAW AWARENESS MONTH IN PALO ALTO!



THIS IS THE LAST STRAW! HERE'S HOW YOU CAN HELP:

- 1 500 MILLION SINGLE-USE PLASTIC STRAWS ARE USED AND DISCARDED EVERY DAY IN THE USA! MOST OF THEM END UP IN THE OCEAN.
- 2 PLASTIC STRAWS ARE AMONG THE TOP TEN MOST COMMON ITEMS FOUND IN OUR SEAS AND SHORELINES.
- 3 PLASTIC STRAWS NEVER COMPLETELY DECOMPOSE BUT BREAK INTO SMALL PARTICLES THAT WILDLIFE MISTAKE AS FOOD.
- 4 70% OF ALL SEABIRDS & 30% OF ALL SEA TURTLES HAVE BEEN FOUND WITH PLASTICS IN THEIR DIGESTIVE SYSTEMS.
- 5 ONCE AN ANIMAL EATS PLASTIC, THEIR LIFE EXPECTANCY LOWERS BY 50%!

- 1 GO STRAWLESS!
- 2 ELIMINATE SINGLE-USE PLASTICS AT HOME AND SWITCH TO REUSABLE PRODUCTS.
- 3 SPREAD AWARENESS ON SINGLE-USE DRINKING STRAWS AND HELP PEOPLE BECOME MORE MINDFUL ON PLASTIC USE. ONE STRAW AT A TIME!
- 4 SUPPORT RESTAURANTS THAT SERVE STRAWS ONLY BY REQUEST. FIND PARTICIPATING RESTAURANTS AT CITYOFFPALOALTO.ORG/THISISTHELASTSTRAW

IF WE DON'T DO SOMETHING SOON, PLASTICS WILL OUTWEIGH FISH BY THE YEAR 2050!

TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE!



ORGANIZED BY GIRL SCOUT TROOP 60016



Schools



- Provide a link to our educational video.
- Display an Educational poster!
- Inspire students to Participate
- Educational Activity Sheet



Restaurants



- Supply an educational poster, table tents.
- Discounts on Aardvark paper straws and reusable service-ware grant.
- Recommend participating restaurants on our website and in local papers.
- Customer Appreciation!

- [The Counter](#) (at all nine locations: Fremont, Pleasanton, Cupertino)
- [Dan Gordon](#)
- [Local Union 271](#)
- [NOLA](#)
- [Old Pro](#)
- [Paxti's](#)
- [Kirk's Steakhouses](#)
- [Tacolicious](#)
- [Bistro Maxine](#)
- [The Cardinal Hotel](#)
- [City Hall Cafe](#)
- [Izzy's Brooklyn Bagels](#)
- [Timothy Adams Chocolates](#)
- [Osteria Cucina Toscana](#)
- [Zola Seasonal French Cooking](#)
- [Bevri](#)
- [Cafe Brioche](#)
- [Backyard Brew](#)
- [Hobee's](#)
- [Teaspoon](#)
- [Gelataio](#)
- [Vino Enoteca](#)
- [Driftwood Deli](#)
- [Sancho's Taqueria](#)
- [California Pizza Kitchen](#)
- [Calafia](#)
- [Fast Tony's Chicken](#)
- [True Food Kitchen](#)
- [The Melt](#)



TEASPOON BOBA STRAW CLUB

Specialty Tea • Milk Tea • Snow Ice

Get a point each time you bring your own reusable straw! 15 points gets you a free boba tea – and you're protecting sealife!

PALO ALTO LOCATION ONLY – NO CASH VALUE

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ReThink Disposable

STOP WASTE BEFORE IT STARTS

A Project of Clean Water Fund and Clean Water Action

www.rethinkdisposable.org

Palo Alto City Council



May Fete Parade



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Palo Alto







What could we improve?

- Restaurant Incentive Meeting
- Employee Guideline Handout
- Data Collection Forms
- Generic TableTents
- TIME



What Happens Next?

- How-To Training Video for Scouts and Youth Groups
- Update Last Straw Campaign
- Outreach to sustainability groups





Thank You!
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Thank you!

