

Grant Program for Alternatives to Styrofoam Foodware

The Town of Truckee is offering one-time grant funding to assist businesses in transitioning to the expanded polystyrene ban requirement of the Town's single-use foodware reduction ordinance.

Eligibility: Prepared food vendors within Town of Truckee limits currently distributing or providing expanded polystyrene (Styrofoam) foodware to serve prepared food, i.e., takeout containers, plates, bowls, or cups, are eligible.

Eligible use of grant funds: Reimbursement for procurement of non-Styrofoam foodware to replace Styrofoam foodware, i.e. takeout containers, plates, bowls, or cups. *Note:* Funding is not available for the procurement of non-Styrofoam goods to replace the sale of expanded polystyrene products (e.g. expanded polystyrene coolers) or for the procurement of packaged food to replace food products packaged in expanded polystyrene (e.g. egg cartons and meat trays).

Funding amount: \$300 maximum per business

Deadlines:

- Grant applications are due by April 1, 2023
- Reimbursement forms and documents are due by June 1, 2023

Program Schedule and Requirements:

- 1. A 1099 form must be returned with the grant application.
- 2. Reporting:
 - Businesses shall submit baseline inventory of annual quantity of Styrofoam products purchased before transition to non-Styrofoam alternative. Technical assistance from Town staff is available.
- 3. Town funding will be dispersed on a reimbursable basis as a single payment to the business. Once notified of the award amount, businesses must submit a reimbursement form, and itemized receipt of payment or invoice and proof of payment, for each product purchased. Only eligible products should be on a receipt or invoice. Reimbursement forms and documentation of all purchases are due by June 1, 2023. The grant award will be paid when all reporting requirements and reimbursement documents have been received by the Town.