

Sustainable Food Court Initiative

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Sustainable Food Court Initiative

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 - **NatureWorks - Doug**
 - **Sealed Air/Cryovac**
 - **Solo Cups**
 - **Waste Management**

Sustainable Food Court Initiative - Challenges?

- Food court operations represent some challenges for zero waste initiatives:
 - QSR does not have control over the waste disposal and the landlord/property manager generally has one contract for the entire property
 - Landlord/tenant relationship and legal restrictions/obligations
 - Franchisee/franchisor relationship and legal restrictions/obligations
 - Consumer interaction of consumed food and its packaging
 - Third party products brought into the food court that were not purchased by the QSRs or landlord
 - Food may be prepared in a commissary or off-site kitchen and transported to the QSR for minimal on-site prep

Sustainable Food Court Initiative – Future Focus

As a result of our initial meeting, we will focus on three food court areas:

- **Non-Customer Facing Packaging (Back-of-the-House):**
Organic collection of prep waste
Purchased product packaging recyclability
Transport/holding requirements for food prepared off-site
- **Customer Facing Packaging (or Branded /Front-of-the-House):**
Consumer packaging - and compostable and recyclable opportunities
Holding times/temperature for prepared food prior to service
Type of served and assembly procedures
- **General Food Court Area:**
Disposal systems for consumed food along with packaging
Possible condiment and/or beverage stations
Third party items brought to the food court

We'd appreciate you consider joining this Elementat Impact initiative!



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