



Go Box: Doing Away with Throw Away

Love take-away food, but tired of the throw away containers? Did you know that the food carts in downtown Portland contribute roughly 60,000 to-go food containers to the landfill a month? That's a lot! GO Box offers a solution. With GO Box, you get your meal in a reusable, returnable container. Go Box is a local company whose mission is to reduce the number of disposable to-go food containers in Portland. GO Box subscribers receive their food in reusable containers and then return the Go Box to authorized locations around the City.

How it works:

- 1. Purchase a GO Box subscription** for an annual fee of \$8.50 (\$12.50 starting July 12, 2012). Subscribe when you buy your meal from a participating vendor or for a limited time, you can purchase a GO Box subscription from **Wendy Gibson** in Facilities Services during the months of June and July.
- 2. Exchange your used container for a GO Box token** at a drop off location. The Portland Building now has a drop site for City employees located at the Parks and Recreation customer services area, off the first floor lobby.
- 3. Give that token to any participating vendor when you purchase your next meal** and they will give you another reusable container.

Which vendors offer GO Box?

Café Portlandia on the first floor of the Portland Building is now participating in the GO Box program for all "behind-the counter" to-go food (salad bar not included). The Wednesday Farmers Market in the Park Blocks also has two participating vendors. For other participating vendors, look for the GO Box logo or check out the **GO Box website**.

If your favorite vendor does not currently participate in GO Box, encourage them to go to **www.goboxpdx.com** to learn more.

