

# Environmentally Responsible Program Administration

Ideas for Greening English Language Programs

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# A Missing Piece

“...most discourses on social justice are incomplete because they are concerned exclusively with human beings and fail to acknowledge the interdependence of social and ecological systems.”

(Furman and Gruenewald, 2004)

# Areas for Improvement

- Curriculum
  - Green Orientation
  - Content Electives
  - Integrated Content
- Resource Consumption
  - Food
  - Paper / Office Supplies



# Green Orientation

- Build Vocabulary
  - Glossary / Discussion / FAQ
- Introduce Local Resources
  - Green Directory
- Practice Using Language
  - Roleplays and Site Visits

## Food – Grocery Stores

**Community Supported Agriculture** – [www.just-add-water.biz](http://www.just-add-water.biz)  
contact: Kimberley Clark (808) 259-5635

Each week (or every other week) CSA will provide a box of locally-grown, organic fruit and vegetables. You can pick it up at Revolution Books (very close to HELP, 2626 S King St.) The boxes include salad greens, leaf lettuces, spinach and bananas. They may also include chard, kale, herbs, bok choy, avocados, pineapples and other things, depending on the season. You can also get organic, free-range eggs.

**Down to Earth** – [downtoearth.org](http://downtoearth.org)  
2525 South King Street  
Honolulu, HI 96826  
(808) 947-7678  
7:30am – 10:00pm

Has a lot of vegetarian, organic, and bulk foods. They also have a bakery and a lot of prepared foods. No meat.

**Star Market**  
2470 S. King Street  
Honolulu, HI 96826  
24 hours a day

Has a decent amount of organic foods and natural meats. They also have some local produce, but not too much.

**Kokua** – [kokuamarket.org](http://kokuamarket.org)  
2563 S. King St.  
(808) 941-1922

8:30 am - 8:30 pm

Has a great selection of organic and local foods, bulk foods and natural meat. They also have a deli section with some prepared foods.

**Daiei / Don Quijote**  
801 Kaheka Street  
(808) 973-4800  
24 hours a day

Has a growing amount of organic foods (soy milk, tofu, pasta, tomato sauce, soy-based ice cream, etc.) at the lowest prices around.

## Recycling – Opala.org

bottles and cans: garbage can in the student lounge and across from the HELP office  
blue containers in the Sustainability Courtyard  
white container near the dorms across Dole street from NOAA

paper: two garbage cans by the stairs at the back of HELP  
white container near the dorms across Dole street from NOAA

cardboard: white container near the dorms across Dole street from NOAA

rechargeable batteries: RadioShack

## Buying / Donating Secondhand Goods

**The HELP giveaway shelf** – In the student lounge, you can take or give household items, unopened nonperishable foods, school supplies, cosmetics and toiletries. Don't throw useful things away!

**Freecycle** – [groups.yahoo.com/group/FreecycleHonolulu/](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/FreecycleHonolulu/)

If you have something you want to get rid of that someone might want, post it to this message board. Someone will contact you and come to your apartment and pick it up. Very convenient! You can also read the messages and try to find something good, for free!

# Curriculum Additions

- Content Electives
  - Global Issues, Service Learning, Current Events, Nature and the Environment
- Integrated Content
  - General: Shopping, Food, Travel
  - Academic: Business, Engineering, Art / Literature
- Clubs / Activities
  - Hiking, Volunteering, Movies / Poetry / Stories

# Food

**From:**

**Meat-centric  
Cheap  
Disposable**

**To:**

**Mostly Veg  
Local, Natural  
Reusable**



# Less Paper / Paperless

- Use Less (Digital)
  - Pre-Arrival / Orientation Materials
  - Student Records / Documents
  - LMS / Class Websites
- Use Better
  - Change Print Habits and Settings
  - Post-Consumer Recycled
  - Print Edit Plugin

# In Conclusion

- Start Where You Are
  - No time like the present
  - Rely on the expertise of students, faculty and staff.
- Take the Next Step
- Dream Big!

# Contact Info

For materials and links to resources, please visit this page:

[esletc.com/?p=1146](http://esletc.com/?p=1146)



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