

## **Community-Run Events**

## Running an event in the City of Adelaide? Here are some top tips to make your event sustainable:

Plan nibble food: it reduces the need for serving-ware (less washing up and less waste)

Consider buying items in bulk. You can fill your own containers at bulk food stores, reducing packaging and waste

Keep food fresh and safe by storing in containers rather than wrapping in cling film

Give guests information about how to get to your event via public transport, cycling or walking. You might even suggest that people travel together

Share food that expresses who you are. This will open great conversations but is also likely to be made from produce that you already have, ensuring less hassle and less waste

Consider including more vegetarian food options to reduce your carbon footprint

Offer organics collections to ensure any food waste is composted

Offer a sharing table so that any excess food or produce can be swapped and shared, spreading the love, encouraging interaction and reducing waste

Consider personal spoken or electronic invitations to reduce the amount of paper used

If your event requires lighting, consider using candles for an intimate atmosphere and less energy usage, or use solar lighting

Consider creative activities rather than energy heavy alternatives. Art/craft/games can be great ways to get to know your neighbours and is a great way to use scrap materials

Avoid single-use plastics like straws, balloons and streamers. This can save you money and an overflowing bin = win! Consider alternatives such as flowers (cut or potted), bunting or similar reusable decorations.

