

**Coaches, please pass this document on to the  
Green Coordinator Volunteer.**

(They will share this information to the team at your first meeting)

To Green Coordinator: Thank you for volunteering for this position. Please read aloud the following to your team and parents:

This fall, AYSO is participating in an Environmental Awareness Program along with the city of Davis. A committee of local AYSO members met with city and state government AYSO supporters and discussed goals to get the program off the ground. The objective is to help the AYSO community participate in environmentally friendly lifestyle practices. With this goal in mind, we have launched the "Bike and Bottle campaign".

1. Today, each player will receive a BPA-free water bottle from one of our local sponsors. Please make sure and write your name on the bottle with a sharpie, so that the bottles don't get mixed up. This is to encourage drinking from a reusable water bottle.
2. I have a city bike map. I will help those that are interested set up bike pools to the practices. Depending on the age of the player, etc., some players will choose to ride on their own. If you would like to ride with other players, we can look at this map now, and see which players live close to each other so that it is convenient to ride together. If biking is not possible, some of you may want to set up carpools to practices. For younger teams that have parents who are not comfortable with their kids biking to practice, perhaps a parent volunteer can bike with the group. In general, we want to brainstorm ways to have fewer cars driving to practices and so that we can fulfill Davis AYSO's "Green" goals as well as those of the city of Davis.

Prizes will be given during and at the end of the season to teams of certain age groups that (Coordinators: *more details and processes will be forthcoming*):

- Had the most players riding bikes regularly,
- Used their reusable water bottle, and
- Helped coaches clean up the field after games.

This will be managed by the green coordinator who will spot check a few practices/games and record results.

We realize that for some, it will not be possible to coordinate, but thank you for trying today. Through the "Bike and Bottle" campaign, we hope to make a **significant reduction of automobile use at AYSO events.**

The Davis AYSO website will publish information on healthy, wastefree food and drink options along with information on "sustainability" and links to resources.

*\* Green Coordinators: help, more details and processes will be forthcoming. A meeting is scheduled for Aug. 30 (6:30-7:30PM); if you cannot make this meeting, information can be passed on to you. Questions, Email: [sustainability@davisayso.net](mailto:sustainability@davisayso.net)*

**Coaches, please pass this document on to the  
Snack Coordinator Volunteer.**

(They will share this information to the team at your first meeting).

Thank you for volunteering for this position. Many teams, especially the older kids, may choose to opt out of snacks. If so, the following is irrelevant. If not, please read the following aloud to your team and parents:

During this AYSO season we hope to generate less waste from snacks. In keeping with this goal, we offer some suggestions. These are only suggestions, and may or may not be followed. However, we know that many are trying to think of ways to eliminate waste, so we hope this is helpful.

As stated before, players should bring their own bottle of water for the game. One of the easiest and healthiest half-time snacks is fresh fruit.

After the game:

1. DRINKS. We are trying to discourage foiled drinks and drink boxes which create an enormous amount of waste. If you provide drinks for players, consider bringing one container (store bought, or thermos) full of a drink, and pouring it into reusable, non-breakable cups for each player. The players can drink the beverage, and return the cup to you so that you may wash and reuse the cup for the next game/practice.
2. SNACKS: Please consider snacks that are not individually wrapped. This may be store bought or homemade snacks. For example, treats may be brought in one large box, brownies or rice krispie treats in one pan instead of individual packets. If you are buying pre-packaged/made food; please consider purchasing foods which are in reusable or recyclable containers i.e. cardboard, #1 or #2 plastics.

Given the 2400 kids involved in Davis AYSO, if we all reduce our waste, even a small amount, we can make a huge impact. This might take a little getting used to, but thank you for doing all you can! The city of Davis will be providing more waste and recycle containers at parks and throughout the city. The Davis AYSO website will publish information on healthy, waste-free food and drink options along with information on "sustainability" and links to resources.

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