

# Switching to Compostable Products: A Virtual Presentation for Burien Businesses

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# Introductions / Introducciones



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# Agenda

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- Burien's Compostable Food Service Products Ordinance 709
- Exemptions
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- Compostable product examples
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- Exentos de la ordenanza
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- Cooperativa de compras
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- Representantes de empresas locales
- Preguntas y respuestas

## Purpose of the Law

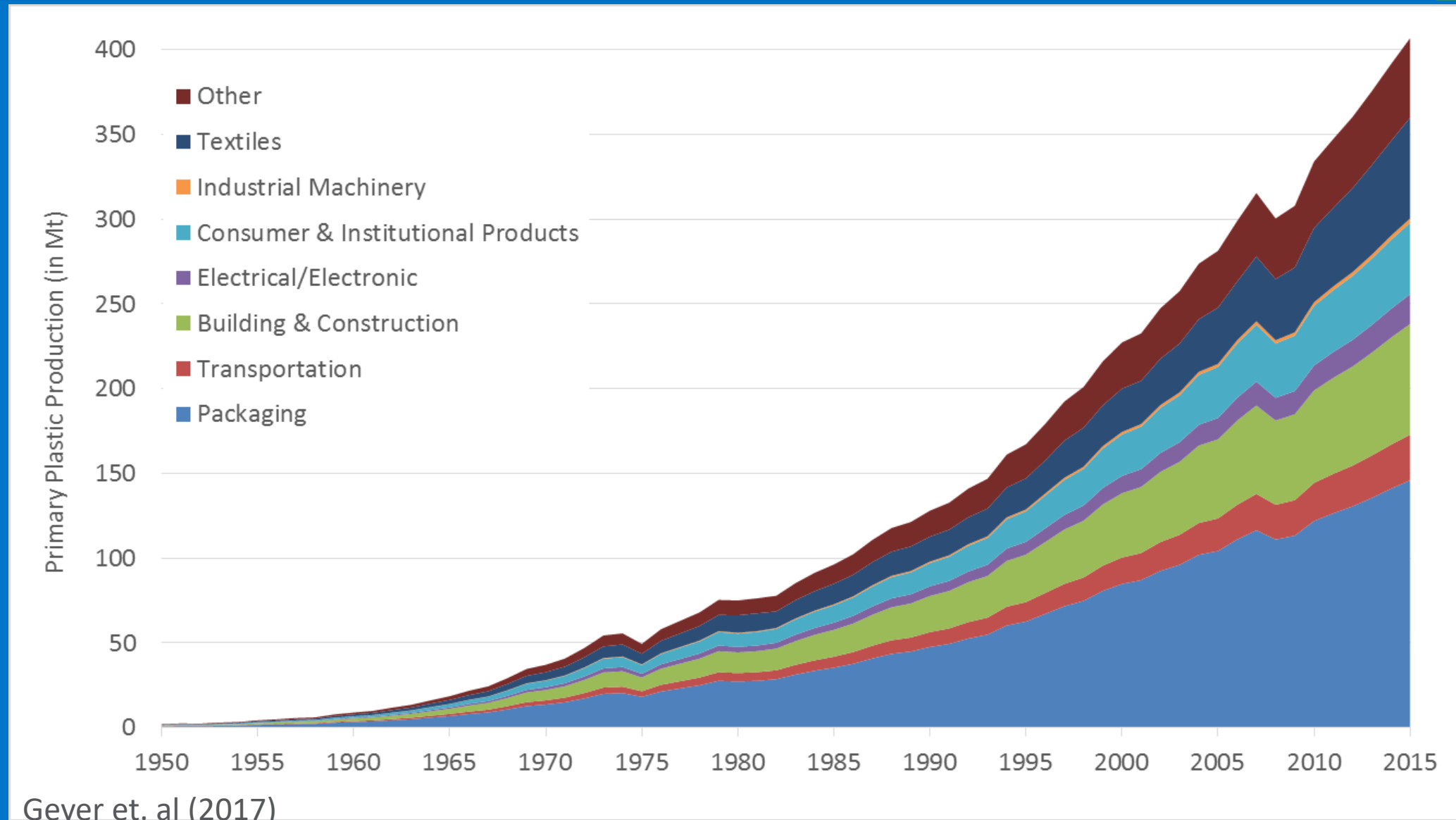
To promote public health and reduce litter

## Propósito de la Ley

Para promover la salud pública y reducir la basura



# We Live in A Plastic Era / Vivimos en Una Época Del Plástico





**> 30%**

**of plastics is used for packaging**

**Más del 30% de los plásticos se utiliza para envases**

# China National Sword / La Ley: Nacional Espada de China



Shanghai Daily



# 60% of Waste / 60% de Desechos





# Consumer Confusion / Confusión del consumidor



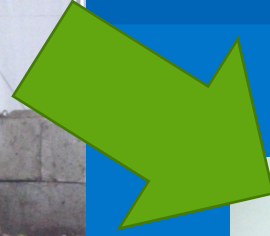
A collection of white plastic and metal cutlery including forks, knives, and spoons, arranged on a dark, textured surface. A central blue text box contains the question in both English and Spanish.

**Is it compostable or not?  
¿Es compostable o no?**

# Community / Comunidad



# Commercial Compost / Compost Commercial





# Stormwater / Aguas Pluviales



<http://www.littleelm.org/1265/Stormwater-Management>



# Ordinance 709

- The Burien City Council passed Ordinance 709 on February 3, 2020 banning the use and sale of plastic food service products.
- All food service business must use and provide compostable food service products starting **July 1, 2021**.

# Ordenanza 709

- El Ayuntamiento de Burien aprobó la Ordenanza 709 el 3 de febrero de 2020 que prohíbe el uso y la venta de productos de plástico para servicios de alimentos.
- Todas las empresas de servicios de alimentos deben usar solo productos alimentos compostables a partir del **1 de julio de 2021**.



Plastic utensils



Styrofoam



Plastic container

# Exemptions

Prepackaged foods



# Exentos de la ordenanza

Alimentos envasados



Catering trays



Charolas de catering



Produce bags



Bolsas para frutas y verduras



# Exemptions

# Exentos de la ordenanza

Clear food and shrink wrap



Envoltura de alimentos transparente y envoltura retráctil

Containers for uniquely shaped foods like cupcakes and deviled eggs



Contenedores para alimentos de forma única

Straws



Popotes

# Exemptions

Flexible packaging used to preserve moisture and freshness (such as for cookies)



# Exentos de la ordenanza

Envases de plástico flexibles utilizados para preservar la humedad y la frescura

Hot meat item containers (such as those for ribs and rotisserie chicken)



Contenedores de artículos de carne caliente como el pollo asado

Items that receive a one-year waiver



Artículos que reciben una exención de un año



# Compostable Food Serviceware Requirements

Beginning July 1, 2021, food service businesses in Burien must use and provide **compostable** food service products.



PLA Utensils Fiber utensils



Paper cup lined with PLA



Fiber container



Paper bowl



Wood chopsticks and stir sticks



PLA cold cup



Plastic utensils



Styrofoam



Plastic container

*The purpose of the ordinance is to promote public health, reduce litter, and limit harmful materials from entering the environment.*



# Compostable Serviceware Requirements Details

## Food service businesses include:

- Restaurants
- Grocery stores
- Delis
- Coffee shops
- Food Trucks
- Booths
- Home delivery services
- Institutional cafeterias and similar



## What does compostable mean?

Compostable products are made of material that can be completely broken down, such as plant based plastics (PLA), plant fiber, wood, and paper.

Compostable products meet ASTM D6400 or D6868 standards.

## Products required to be compostable:

- Containers
- Plates
- Bowls
- Cups
- Trays
- Cartons
- Chopsticks
- Clamshells
- Knives, forks, spoons
- Meat trays
- Deli rounds
- Splash sticks
- Stirrers
- Portion cups
- Cocktail picks
- Lids
- Other hinged or lidded containers

## How can I find compostable product vendors?

You can find vendors who sell compostable products on the City of Burien's website!



## Exemptions from the ordinance:

- Prepackaged foods\*
- Catering trays
- Produce bags
- Clear food wrap and shrink wrap
- Containers for uniquely-shaped foods such as deviled eggs or cupcakes
- Flexible plastic packaging used to preserve moisture and freshness
- Hot meat item containers such as those for ribs and rotisserie chicken
- Straws
- Items that receive a one-year waiver



## What if the product says "biodegradable" and not "compostable"?

A large number of products advertised as "eco-friendly" are not compostable and do not break down in the commercial compost system. Be sure the products you buy meet the definition of compostable.

\*Prepackaged foods: food service products that have been filled with food and sealed by a separate food service business or food manufacturer prior to receipt by the point of sale food service business.

## For more information:

environment@burienwa.gov · 206-248-5511  
burienwa.gov/compostables



# Translated Material / Material Traducido



## Các Yêu Cầu Đối Với Dụng Cụ Phục Vụ Ăn Uống Có Thể Phân Hủy

Bắt đầu từ ngày 1 tháng 7 năm 2021, các cơ sở kinh doanh dịch vụ ăn uống ở Burien phải sử dụng và cung cấp các sản phẩm phục vụ ăn uống có thể phân hủy được.



Đồ dùng bằng PLA Đồ dùng bằng sợi



Cốc giấy lót bằng PLA



Hộp đựng bằng sợi



Bát giấy



Đũa và que khuấy bằng gỗ



Cốc lạnh bằng PLA



Đồ dùng bằng nhựa



Hộp xốp (Styrofoam)



Hộp nhựa

Mục đích của sắc lệnh này là nhằm tăng cường sức khỏe cộng đồng, giảm thiểu rác thải và hạn chế các chất độc hại xâm nhập vào môi trường.

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## Requisitos Para Productos Compostables de Servicio Alimentos

A partir del 1 de julio del 2021, las empresas de servicios de alimentos de Burien deben usar sólo productos compostables de servicio alimentos.



Cubiertos de PLA Cubiertos de fibra Vasos de papel forrado con PLA Contenedor de fibra



Vasos de papel forrado con PLA



Contenedor de fibra



Tazón de papel



Palillos de madera y agitadores



Vasos de PLA



Cubiertos de plástico



Espuma plástica (Styrofoam)



Contenedor de plástico

El propósito de esta ley es para promover la salud pública, reducir la basura y limitar la entrada de materiales dañinos que entran el medio ambiente.

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## Mga Kailangan para sa Kagamitan sa Pagkain na Puwedeng Gawing Compost

Simula Hulyo 1, 2021, kailangang gumamit at magbigay ng mga produktong serbisyo ng pagkain na puwedeng gawing compost ang mga negosyo ng serbisyo sa pagkain sa Burien.



PLA na kubyertos Fiber na kubyertos



Papel na tasa na may saping PLA



Fiber na lalagyan ng pagkain



Papel na mangkok



Kahoy na chopstick at panghalo



PLA na tasa



Plastik na kubyertos



Styrofoam



Plastik na lalagyan ng pagkain

Ang layunin ng ordinansang ito ay para ingatan ang kalusugan ng publiko, bawasan ang basura, at limitahan ang mga nakakapinsalang bagay na nakakarating sa kapaligiran.

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# What is a purchasing co-op?

Multiple small businesses joining together to purchase items at a cheaper price

# ¿Que es una Cooperativa de Compra?

Múltiples pequeñas empresas uniéndose para comprar artículos a un precios mas barato



## Benefits of the purchasing co-op

1. Lower prices on products (volume discount)
2. Free delivery to Burien (to Discover Burien)
3. Access to a larger selection of products
4. Build relationships with fellow business owners
5. Save time!

## Beneficios de una cooperativa de compra

1. Precios mas bajos en los productos
2. Envió es gratis a Burien (a Discover Burien)
3. Acceso a una mayor selección de productos
4. Construir relaciones profesionales con otros dueño/as de empresas
5. ¡Ahorra tiempo!

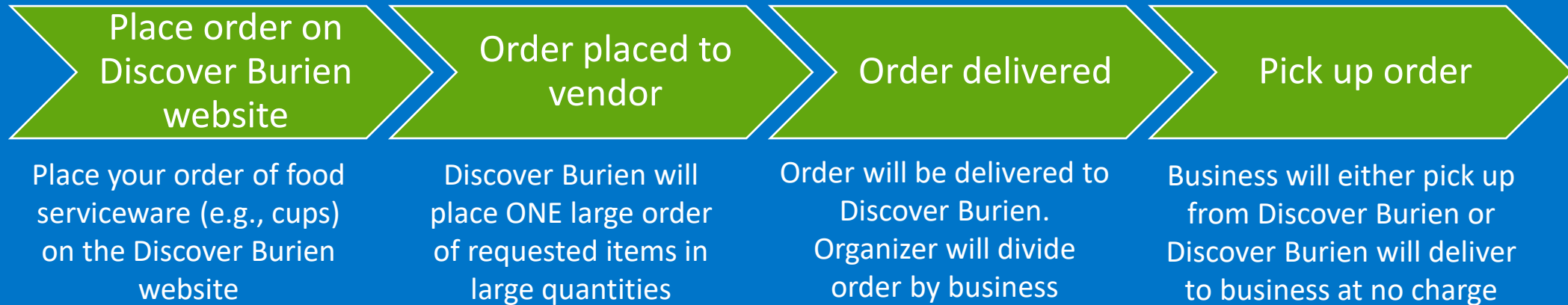


# Purchasing Co-Op / Cooperativa de Compras

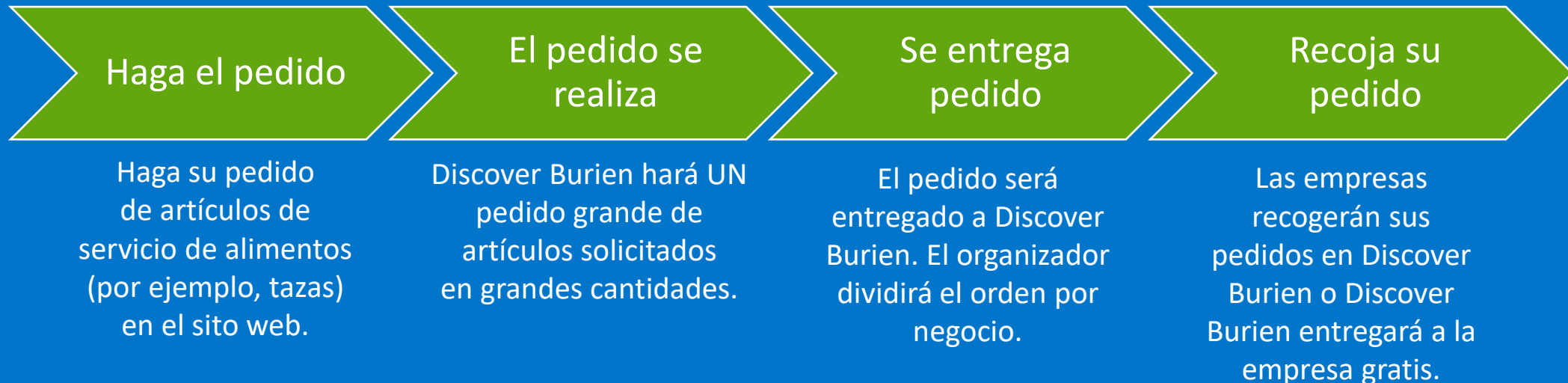


Debra George, Executive Director at Discover Burien

# How does a purchasing co-op work?



# Como funciona una cooperativa de compras?



## Upcoming Co-op Meeting

- Ask co-op specific questions, provide feedback and input into co-op order form
- Interested? Email: [thea@zerowastewashington.org](mailto:thea@zerowastewashington.org)

## El próximo sesión sobre la cooperativa

- Haga preguntas específicas sobre la cooperativa, proporcionar comentarios y sugerencias para el formulario de pedido
- Interesado/a? Envía un correo electrónico: [thea@zerowastewashington.org](mailto:thea@zerowastewashington.org)













# El Cabrito



# Questions? Preguntas?

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