# Sustainability Elements for Pavilion Events

The Student Pavilion goal is to be a net zero facility. We need your help in order to achieve this goal. This document will provide you with some tools that you can use to embed into your events through announcements to your audience or other communications.

Here are some points of pride that you can...

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#### Blurbs

**Building Introduction Blurb** 

(if possible, include this information in your introduction or welcome)

Hello everyone. Thank you for joining us at [name of event] today here in ASU's new Student Pavilion.

[sentence that connects organization/audience's values to building mission]

This beautiful space we are in, is ASU's first attempt and Arizona's largest Net Zero energy facility. Simply, this means our goal is for the building to produce as much electricity as it *consumes* on an annual basis. We can accomplish this through a *combined effort* of a well-insulated building, natural daylighting, high efficiency equipment, *and* building users' participation in energy saving behaviors. The remaining energy needs will be offset by solar panels on the roof and from the Memorial Union shaded plaza.

The Student Pavilion was also designed from its inception to be a Zero Waste facility. With leadership from Zero Waste at ASU, we were able to achieve 90%+ diversion from the landfill during *demolition* and *construction*. As a result and with all of our partners here at ASU, the Student Pavilion is positioned to *operate* with 90% diversion from the landfill. We accomplish this through recycling, composting, sustainable purchasing practices, *and* building user participation.

Thank you for your time and for being an active part of what makes ASU #4 in the nation and #5 in the world for sustainability. Please enjoy the rest of your program.

#### Food Announcement Blurb

(if possible, please include this information as an announcement when serving food/drinks during an event)

All catering hosted in the Student Pavilion is Zero Waste ready, thanks to our partner Aramark (by the way, you can also request any Aramark catering to be Zero Waste ready for any event you have, even outside of the Student Pavilion). Because of this, we are confident that 90% or more of what is brought into this building is either recyclable or compostable (including meat believe it or not!). This ballroom includes pairs of recycling/compost bins, and only **a couple** landfill bins [indicate locations of bins on edges of the room].

\*\*For catered events, catering will work with your menu to ensure it meets our Zero Waste goals. Please confirm with ASU Catering about what items can be recycled or composted. An announcement can be made to your guests about these items and what bin they go into.

Announcement example, "Following today's lunch, please place plastic cups and plastic utensils in the recycling bin, and all food scraps, napkins, and plates in the compost bin."

But this building only gets us <u>part</u> of the way to our Net Zero Energy and to Zero Waste goal - the rest is up to us. <u>Your personal commitment</u> to appropriately use of the bins in this room and practice energy conservative behaviors will ensure <u>our</u> successful collaborative action in achieving our Net Zero Energy and Zero Waste goals. If you have questions on what is recyclable or compostable, please reference the pictures on the bins, ask an event staff, ask the build staff, or learn more at ZeroWaste.asu.edu.

# Green-up your event!

#### Green Event Certification

Did you know that including these elements into your event's script gains you additional points on the Green Events Certification?

#### links.asu.edu/Certification

### Catering

Looking for more sustainable food options? Check out some of these sustainable menu options through Sun Devil Dining.

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Smaller blurbs include (2 sentences) ZW materials bins Net zero