

Annual Sustainability in Higher Education Summit by University of Hawaii



The 3rd Annual Hawaii Sustainability in Higher Education Summit was a 3-day conference held on February 26-18th, 2015 at UH Manoa. About 300 participants representing faculty, staff, students and administrators from the University of Hawaii 10-campus System convened to advance sustainability in operations, curriculum, research, community & cultural engagement through working sessions, program sharing, and service learning to build lasting relationships within and between the campuses to create graduates who are informed, engaged, and equipped to help global communities respond to the challenges of climate change. The event implemented 'green' practices, including striving for zero waste (no paper handouts, no plastic bottles or cups provided, food waste was composted), using reusable plates, mugs, water bottles and utensils, providing healthy vegetarian cuisine for all meals featuring locally foraged or sourced ingredients by local Chef Jenn Hee, requiring carpooling and room-sharing for all UH participants, and learning from host culture through a featured Hawaiian Scholar & Practitioners' panel & service learning project at Ka Papa Lo'i O Kānewai Cultural Garden.



Highlighted Green Measures from the Event:



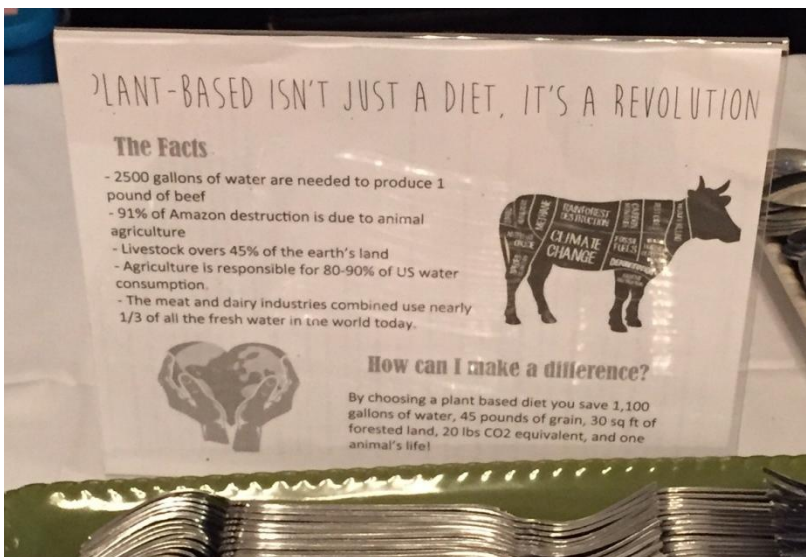
Work with local and green vendors



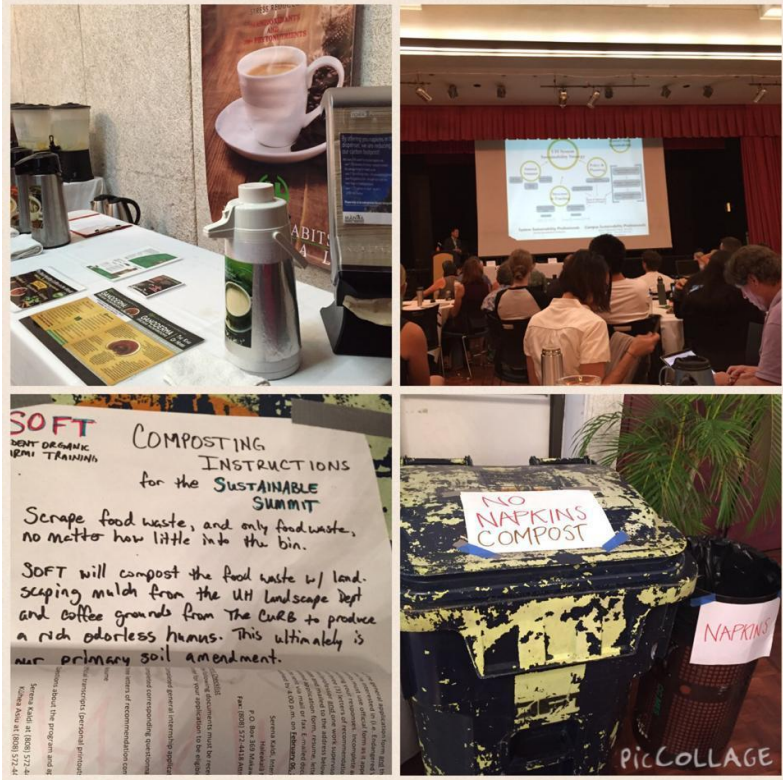
Selling reusable mugs



Sustainable napkins from UH and green info



Sustainable food education and reusable utensils



Local coffee, efficient venue and composting instruction