

**Cape Elizabeth Recycling Committee
Committee Goals for 2017**

1. Track and support the proposed Town ordinances on single-use bags and polystyrene foam by:
 - a. Attending Ordinance Committee meetings and Town Council meetings or workshops on the matter
 - b. Preparing a list of “talking points” in support of the proposed ordinances

2. Reach out to Cape Elizabeth schools to offer collaboration and support for recycling efforts, including:
 - a. Proper sorting of lunch waste in the cafeterias
 - b. Educating school staff about ecomaine no longer accepting plastic bags in their single-stream recycling collection, and evaluating phase out of plastic bags used to collect and transport recyclables within the schools
 - c. Visiting other public schools and local colleges and universities to learn about best practices for collection and transport of recyclables
 - d. Evaluating other potential improvements to collection and transport of recyclables within Cape Elizabeth schools
 - e. Inquiring about including waste and/or recycling topics into school curricula

3. Education and outreach to promote recycling and composting, including:
 - a. Submitting articles on timely recycling topics to the Cape Courier
 - b. Providing person support at the May Household Hazardous Waste collection at the Recycling Center
 - c. Volunteering at the Swap Shop (possibly during Yard Sale peak season)
 - d. Tabling at the Cape Elizabeth Strawberry Festival (June 24)
 - e. Offering a Home Composting 101 adult ed course through Community Services
 - f. Promoting and/or sponsoring beach cleanups