

# 2020

## Plastic Alternatives Catalog

*Presented by: Coastal Connections, Inc*

“We are producing over **300 million tons** of plastic every year, **50% of which is for single-use** purposes – utilized for just a few moments, but on the planet for at least several hundred years. More than **8 million tons** of plastic is dumped into our oceans every year.” - PlasticOceans.org



**Coastal Connections, Inc** is a 501 (c) 3 Nonprofit Organization

*Vero Goes Zero* is our Community Sustainability Initiative

## Introduction

We are so excited that you are considering new alternatives to single-use plastics to become more sustainable! In this catalog, you will find a wide variety of plastic alternative products that could be perfectly suited for your household or business. We have listed a number of plastic alternative options for straws, utensils, cups, lids, bowls, take out containers, and bags. To make your decision to go plastic free even easier we have provided pictures, the average price/unit website links, and specialty discount codes.

Coastal Connections, Inc (CCinc) would like to thank the Surfing Evolution & Preservation Foundation for their generous support towards our Vero Goes Zero initiative.

Finally, thank you to all our fantastic volunteers that have spread our mission across our local community. We are looking forward to developing new sustainable relationships across Vero Beach and beyond!



Surf & Beach Preservation



## Recommendations

With new technologies emerging daily, plastic alternative products are on the rise. The hard part is determining where to start looking to find the best product from the best company. CCinc has partnered with quality companies who believe in and support CCinc's mission to protect coastal habitats.

**Perfect Stix, LLC** – *Vero Beach, FL*. Shop local is the first thing we say. This company specializes in wood and paper products but is quickly expanding their inventory to include a number of biodegradable options including bamboo, palm leaf and bagasse for all your needs.

Website: [Perfectstix.com](http://Perfectstix.com)

**The Sugarcane Straw (LK3)** – *Fountain Valley, CA*. An expert in all-natural biodegradable straws. The Sugar Cane straw holds up against its plastic competitor like none other.

For Discount Use Code: "CCinc"

**Good Start Packaging** – *Bedford, NH*. Open since 2009, this-one-stop-shop has it all including great morals, a small and personable team and an excellent experience every time you order. Look out for new educational webinars about compostable products and how to become more sustainable hosted by Good Start and CCinc.

Email for 10% off: [sales@goodstartpackaging.com](mailto:sales@goodstartpackaging.com)



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## Straws

**The Sugarcane Straw** - These sugarcane straws are made of sugarcane fibers, known as bagasse, and are certified to be 100% compostable. Preferred use is for cold liquids, water, or sodas.

**Website:** <https://www.thesugarcanestraw.com/shop>

**Discount Promo Code:** "CCinc"

**Avg Price per Straw:** \$0.02-\$0.09 cents

- Long (10"):
  - 7mm opening
  - Quantities: 100, 200, 6000, 7200 (all unwrapped)
  
- Standard (8.3"):
  - 6mm opening
  - 7000 (wrapped) or 10,000 (unwrapped)
  
- Large (12")
  - 8mm opening
  - Boba 12mm opening available
  - 5000 (wrapped) or 6000 (unwrapped)
  - best for smoothies or milkshakes



**Perfect Stix** – A local Vero Beach company that provides durable and compostable paper straw options. Perfect Stix, LLC can also customize your straw and straw wrapper with any color or logo of your choice!

**Website:** <https://www.perfectstix.com/paper-products.html?p=1>

**Promo Code:** Mention CCinc During Your Order

**Avg Price per Straw: \$0.20 cents**

- **Black Paper Straw 7.75"**
  - 500 or 5000 (wrapped) straws
  
- **White Unwrapped Paper Straw 10.25"**
  - 1200 (unwrapped) straws



**Hay Straws** – At HayStraws, their straws are made from the wheat harvested from the stems of hay. They offer stir sticks, original straws, jumbo, and Boba straws for a wide variety of drink use.

**Website:** <https://www.haystraws.com/pages/shop-hay-wholesale-collection>

**Avg Price per Original Straw: \$0.30 cents**

▪ **Hay Stir Sticks**

- 5" and 7.75" Stir sticks
- 1500 count (unwrapped)



▪ **Hay Original Straws**

- 5" and 7.75" Straws
- 1500 count (unwrapped)

▪ **Hay Jumbo Straws**

- 5-7mm Straws
- 7-10mm Straws
- 1500 count (unwrapped)

▪ **Boba Straws**

- 10-13mm Straws
- 500 count (unwrapped)



**The Amazing Pasta Straw** - This straw option is the first that is completely edible and proven to last throughout your whole drink. They are 100% vegan pasta and imported from Italy.

**Website:** <https://www.pastastraws.org/store>

**Avg Price per Straw: \$0.64 cents**

▪ **Pasta Straw**

- 1000, 5000, and 30,000 count (unwrapped)



**Straw Free** - StrawFree.org offers the only 100% made in the USA bamboo straws. They guarantee each one of their handmade straws are natural and free of harmful chemicals. They are manufactured in Southern California and San Diego.

**Website:** <https://strawfree.org/buy-bamboo-straws-2/>

- **6" Cocktail Bamboo Straw**
  - Packs of 10 (unwrapped)
  - \$1.80 per straw
  
- **8" Drinking Bamboo Straw**
  - Packs of 10 (unwrapped)
  - \$2.00 per straw
  
- **Boba Bamboo Straw**
  - Packs of 10 (unwrapped)
  - \$2.80 per straw



**Bambu** – Bambu straws are the **only** straws that are 100% USDA Certified Organic. They are made without glues or lacquers and won “Most Innovative Product” in 2015 by Eco-Choice.

**Website:** <https://www.bambuhome.com/collections/straws>

**Avg Price per Straw: \$1.46**

- **8" Bamboo Straw**
  - sold as set of 4 with cleaning brush (unwrapped)

**Avg Price per Straw: 0.45 cents**

- **Wheat Straws**
  - 5" and 8" lengths
  - 4000 pack (unwrapped)





**AvoPlast** – A revolutionary drinking straw made from biodegradable avocado pits. These straws take 180-240 days to biodegrade under normal conditions. They are firm and durable when using any type of drink such as sodas, water, smoothies, hot and cold coffee, etc. Made in Mexico.

**Website:** <https://bioplasticalternatives.com/bpa-shop/>

**Avg Price per Straw: \$0.45 cents**

- **AvoPlast Straws**
  - 9" straws
  - 150 count (unwrapped)



## Utensils

**Perfect Stix** – Utensils made from earth-friendly and durable Birchwood or fast growing and renewable Bamboo. These offer a great alternative to heavy weight traditional plastic.

**Website:** <https://www.perfectstix.com/cutlery.html>

**Promo Code:** Mention CCinc During Your Order

**Avg Price per utensil (3000 count): \$0.25 cents**

▪ **Single Birchwood Utensils**

- 6" Birchwood Spoons
- 6" Birchwood Forks
- 6" Birchwood Knives
- 1000 or 3000 count packages. Wholesale quantities available.

▪ **Bamboo Supplies Available (please contact for options)**



**Bambu** – Made from certified organic bamboo, a renewable resource. Utensils will naturally compost in 4-6 weeks. No discolored blotches or irregularities- consistent among all utensils sold.

**Website:** <https://www.bambuhome.com/collections/bulk-veneerware>

**Avg Price per utensil: \$0.26 cents**

▪ **Utensil Set**

- 6.5" Bamboo Knife, Spoon and Fork Set
- 8 sets: \$10.00

▪ **Single Utensils**

- 6.5" Bamboo Knives
- 6.5" Bamboo Forks
- 6.5" Bamboo Spoons
- All 250 count

▪ **3.5" Sporks**

- 250 count



**Vegware** - Utensils are made from CPLA, a renewable material made from plants, and wrapped in compostable film. The unbleached napkin is made from recycled paper. This set is great for hot or cold food and is sturdy enough for crunchy foods.

**Website:** [https://www.vegwareus.com/us/catalogue/cutlery/compostable\\_cutlery\\_kit\\_65in\\_knife\\_fork\\_spoon\\_napkin\\_in\\_bio\\_film/](https://www.vegwareus.com/us/catalogue/cutlery/compostable_cutlery_kit_65in_knife_fork_spoon_napkin_in_bio_film/)

**Avg Price per set: \$0.31 cents**

▪ **Compostable Cutlery Kit**

- 6.5" Knife, Fork, Spoon and Napkin in BioFilm
- 250 sets



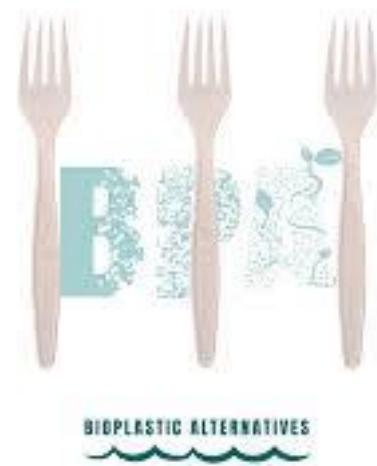
**AvoPlast** – Using an avocado pit agro-waste as a raw material, they extract the biopolymer needed to produce the resin through their patented technology.

**Website:** <https://bioplasticalternatives.com/bpa-shop/>

**Avg Price per utensil: \$0.31 cents**

▪ **Single AvoPlast Utensils (24 Count)**

- 7" AvoPlast Knife
- 7" AvoPlast Fork
- 7" AvoPlast Spoon



## Cup/Lid Replacements

**Good Start** – This company has been on a mission to inspire people to be more conscious about their use of disposable plastic while helping foodservice operators build sustainable businesses. These 100% certified compostable cold cups and lids are made from natural materials like PLA, bamboo, sugarcane, and wheat fiber. Custom printing available!

**Website:** <https://www.goodstartpackaging.com/biodegradable-plastic-cups>

**Email for 10% off:** [sales@goodstartpackaging.com](mailto:sales@goodstartpackaging.com)

### Cold Cups

#### **Clear PLA Bioplastic Cups**

**Avg Price per cup: \$0.64 cents**

▪ **Clear PLA Cold Cups (1000 count)**

- 12 oz Clear Cups
- 16 oz Clear Cups
- 20 oz Clear Cups
- 24 oz Clear Cups (600 count)



#### **Bamboo Paper Cold Cups**

**Avg Price per cup: \$0.36 cents**

▪ **Opaque Bamboo Leak Resistant Cups (1000 Count)**

- 12oz Bamboo Cups
- 16oz Bamboo Cups
- 22oz Bamboo Cups

#### **Cold Cup Lids (1000 count)**

- Flavor Button Lid (Fits 12, 16, 20, 24 oz cups)
- Sip Lids (fits 16 and 24 oz cups)



## Hot Cups

**Avg Price per cup: \$0.07 cents**

▪ **Sugarcane Hot Cups (1000 Count)**

- 12oz Sugarcane Hot Cup
- 16oz Sugarcane Hot Cup
- 20oz Sugarcane Hot Cup



▪ **Unbleached Plant Fiber Hot Cup Lid (1000 Count)**

- Fiber Sip Lid (Fits 10 - 20 oz cups)



*Other sustainable restaurant suppliers with similar products:*

1. **Webstaurant store-** [https://www.webstaurantstore.com/green-restaurant-supplies.html?gclid=EA1alQobChMI4Zamkpu-6wIVE2KGCh04hQBJEAAAYASAAEgJtTPD\\_BwE](https://www.webstaurantstore.com/green-restaurant-supplies.html?gclid=EA1alQobChMI4Zamkpu-6wIVE2KGCh04hQBJEAAAYASAAEgJtTPD_BwE)
2. **Vegware-** <https://www.vegware.com/uk/>
3. **Eco Products-** <https://www.ecoproducts.com/>

## Bowls

**Perfect Stix**- Perfect Stix, LLC offers two types of sustainable bowls made from bagasse sugarcane or fallen palm leaves. Both are earth friendly and compostable.

**Website:** <https://www.perfectstix.com/cutlery/palm-plates-and-bowls.html>

**Promo Code:** Mention CCinc During Your Order

**Avg Price per bowl: PL (0.41 cents) BG (0.18 cents)**

▪ **Palm Leaf Bowl**

- 16oz
- 100 bowls

▪ **Bagasse Bowl**

- 8oz
- 500 bowls



**Good Start** –These paper bowls are eco-friendly and versatile and can accommodate a flat or domed lid. Made from 100% sugarcane fiber and 0% wax, plastic, or tree. Custom printing available.

**Website:** <https://www.goodstartpackaging.com/soup-containers>

**Email for 10% off:** [sales@goodstartpackaging.com](mailto:sales@goodstartpackaging.com)

**Avg Price per bowl: \$0.25 cents**

▪ **Sugarcane Bowls (500 or 1000 Count)**

- 8oz Bowl
- 12oz Bowl
- 16oz Bowl
- 24oz Bowl



## Take-Out Containers

**Good Start** – Ditch the plastic and foam containers! Your food will look beautiful in these eco-friendly, compostable take out containers and to-go boxes that are plant-based and gluten-free. Custom printing available.

**Website:** <https://www.goodstartpackaging.com/take-out-boxes/>

**Email for 10% off:** [sales@goodstartpackaging.com](mailto:sales@goodstartpackaging.com)

**Avg Price per Folding box: \$0.32**

▪ **Recycled Paper Folding Boxes (Hot or Cold)**

- 26 oz Folding Box
- 49 oz Folding Box
- 60 oz Folding Box
- 250 or 400 count



**Avg Price per Clamshell Container: \$0.25 cents**

▪ **Renewable Wheat Straw Fiber Clamshell Containers**

- 2 Compartment Taco Container (7"x5"x3")
- 1 Compartment Container (6"x6"x3")
- Large 1 Compartment Container (9"x9"x3")
- Large 2 Compartment Container (9"x6"x3")
- Large 3 Compartment Container (9"x9"x3")
- 300 or 500 count





**Vegware** – Vegware’s compostable hinged takeout boxes are made from reclaimed sugarcane, or Bagasse. Because bagasse is a natural material, hot food won’t sweat inside them as well.

**Website:**[https://www.vegwareus.com/us/catalogue/bagasse\\_takeout\\_boxes/](https://www.vegwareus.com/us/catalogue/bagasse_takeout_boxes/)

**Avg Price per 50 boxes: \$0.29 cents**

▪ **Bagasse Takeout Containers**

- Hinged Boxes
- 6” Burger Box
- 9” x 6” Large Clamshell
- 9” x 6” Two Compartment Large Clamshell
- 9” Three Compartment Box
- 50 or 200 count



## Take-Out Bags

**Good Start** – These recycled-paper take out bags are a great opportunity to make a positive impression. Made with 100% recycled paper (95% post-consumer) and meet all bag ban ordinances. Custom printing available.

**Website:** <https://www.goodstartpackaging.com/compostable-bags/recycled-paper>

**Email for 10% off:** [sales@goodstartpackaging.com](mailto:sales@goodstartpackaging.com)

**Avg Price per Bag: \$0.34 cents**

- **Kraft Recycled Paper Bags**
  - 10 x 5 x 10 Paper Bags
  - 10 x 5 x 13 Paper Bags
  - 14.5 x 9 x 16.25 Paper Bags
  - 250 count



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2. **Vegware-** <https://www.vegware.com/uk/>
3. **Eco Products-** <https://www.ecoproducts.com/>


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