Waste Not Want Not

Icebreaker- Introduction

**Slide Presentation**

Striving for Zero Waste One Little Victory at a Time

(Introduce waste diversion using the College Houses experience)

**Waste Diversion**

Environmental Justice

Why is this important?

Create a day one education plan

Use environmental consciousness as a desirable lifestyle that the coop has to offer.

Zero Waste (the holy grail).

* Recycling
* Collective food buying
* Compost
* Landfill
* Food Purchasing
* Eliminate food waste (Eat It)
* Audit your food waste
* Textile donation
* (mattress recycling)
* Furniture donation
* Community services (shared)

**Sustainable Consumption (conservation for preservation)**

* Culture meets Ethics
* Discuss Source Reduction

**Potential Obstacles**

View your strategy as a long term endeavor.

Know that not all your members well be as compliant as others. Many will be stuck in the process of doing things in the same old way. Some will view the strategy as a threat or event an infringement on member rights.

Be prepared for members to retaliate against source reduction. As a matter of fact, know that any modification to food buying and consumption will be viewed as an outright assault on some house cultures. Much fear is centered around food consumption and how food is distributed.