



Reserve Canteens!

Water Canteen Borrow Program

For Public Event Planners in Salem and Beverly

Single-Use Plastic Water Bottles (made of PET) are a serious global environmental problem.

Only 20% of these bottles are recycled. Most pollute rivers, streams, and the ocean.

PET plastic contains BPA and other chemicals. As it breaks down, it leaches toxics into the environment.

And, to make, transport, and dispose of one bottle requires one-quarter of that bottle in oil!

There is an alternative! Beverly & Salem have high-quality, inexpensive Tap Water!

Each Canteen Displaces 100+ 8 oz. Bottles of Water and Lowers Your Event's Carbon Footprint.

If you are hosting a public event in the cities of Salem or Beverly, Massachusetts **you can borrow up to five 7-gallon canteens** to stave the tide of single-use plastic bottles generated by—or eliminate them entirely from—your event!

Reduce the number of plastic bottles that fill landfills, choke streams, and degrade oceans with the public Water Canteen Borrow Program, a project of the *ad hoc* [Citizens for Salem/Beverly Water Resources](#), a group composed of public officials and environmental advocates. The program was made possible by a 2010 New England Grassroots Environment Fund grant and hosting by First Universalist Society of Salem.



Five 7-gallon BPA-free canteens are available.



Demonstration Projects
 from 2007-2009 in Salem and Beverly saved hundreds of plastic bottles!



Bagasse Compostable Cups

Reserve Canteens!
 For Your Public Event



Use **Recyclable Plastic Cups** OR Encourage **Reusable Bottles.**