'Like' our Earth-Bring Your Own Bottle!

Campus Planning and Sustainability Office







Purpose of the 'Bring Your Own!' Campaign

Besides being an O'Camp souvenir, we hope the water bottle will continue to accompany you in the future and help make 'Bring Your Own' part of your lifestyle!

'Bring Your Own'

There are many water dispensers on campus. Use them to fill your bottles instead of buying packaged drinks. It is good for the earth and your wallet, too!







Why 'Bring Your Own'?

The production and transportation of canned, bottled and boxed drinks is energy-intensive.

Water bottles need 3 times the amount of water they hold to create them.









Save money drinking free water rather than packaged drinks!









Why 'Bring Your Own'?

- Plastic bottles are hard to recycle (as it is difficult to separate different types of plastic, recycling costs are high and the price of the recycled product is unstable
- According to EPD, plastic made up 19% of Hong Kong's municipal solid waste in 2011; Plastic bottles account for 1.8% of all municipal solid waste in Hong Kong that year. (aluminum cans account for 0.026%)
- It is expected that the three landfills in Hong Kong will be full around 2015, 2017 and 2019 respectively.



Photo source: EPD





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Why 'Bring Your Own'?

Plastic waste takes a long time to breakdown and has led to serious marine pollution. Every year, countless marine animals are killed by plastic debris through ingestion or entanglement.





Photo source: U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

Around 700,000 to 100,000 seabirds are killed by plastic marine debris every year!









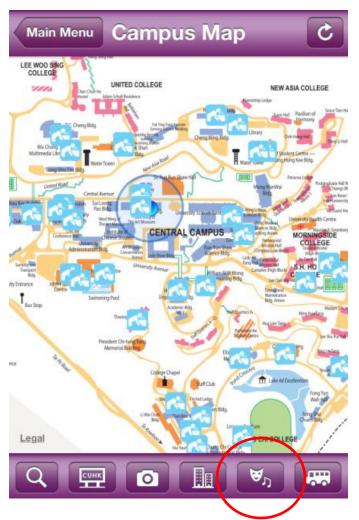




Over 70 water dispensers on campus

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Water dispenser locations: Now Available on CU Mobile App!





Check CUHK Mobile App for the water dispenser locations under:

Campus Map > Facility > Living Essentials > Water dispensers





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We hope you will support 'Bring Your Own'! Besides water bottle, you can also bring your own lunchbox, cutlery, etc.. Let's help spread the green culture in CUHK!









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