



Summertime Celebrations, Plastic-Free Style!

Getting married? Hosting an anniversary party? Summer is the season for celebrations, but the single-use disposables have got to go. With a little creativity, **you can make your events plastic-free (and eclectic!) by sourcing silverware, dishes, mugs and cloth napkins from your local thrift store.** A quick run through the wash, and they're good as new for using just this once, or storing for another party later. And best of all, they can be donated right back where you found them when you're done.

Photo: The Center for Coastal Studies held a plastic-free fundraising banquet for the Marine Debris Program last fall, **using assorted dishes, bowls, silverware and reusable mugs to serve over 70 guests.**