

Ethical Sourcing of Food and Supplies Policy

Policy Statement: October 6 University is committed to promoting ethical and sustainable practices in its procurement of food and supplies. The university recognizes its responsibility to support ethical sourcing, reduce its environmental impact, and ensure that products meet social and ethical standards throughout the supply chain.

Policy Details:

- 1. Scope:
 - This policy applies to all food and supplies procurement activities carried out by or on behalf of [University Name], including catering services, dining facilities, and any other areas that involve the acquisition of food and supplies.
- 2. Sustainable and Ethical Sourcing:
 - October 6 University will prioritize the procurement of food and supplies from sources that adhere to sustainable and ethical sourcing practices, which may include organic, fair trade, local, and environmentally friendly products.

3. Supplier Evaluation:

• The university will assess and evaluate suppliers and vendors to ensure they meet ethical and sustainability standards, considering factors such as fair labor practices, responsible sourcing, and environmental considerations.

4. Transparency and Certification:

 October 6 University will actively seek products that are certified by recognized sustainability and ethical sourcing organizations and promote transparency in the sourcing process.

5. Local and Small Businesses:

• The university will support local and small businesses as part of its ethical sourcing efforts, thereby contributing to the local economy and reducing the carbon footprint associated with transportation.

6. Education and Awareness:

 October 6 University will actively promote education and awareness about ethical sourcing among its community members, including students, faculty, staff, and vendors.

7. Compliance:

• The university will ensure that all procurement practices and decisions are following applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations.

Implementation Date: This Ethical Sourcing of Food and Supplies Policy will go into effect in 2015.

Review and Revision: This policy will be periodically reviewed to ensure its effectiveness and alignment with the university's commitment to ethical sourcing and sustainability. Review in 2022