





## GOAL 5

<b>Complete:</b>	Action has been completed.	
<b>In Progress:</b>	Action implementation is underway.	
<b>Awaiting Resources:</b>	Action may be implemented when staff time, funding, or other resources are available.	

Quick Win: Short-term actions that have the potential to maintain implementation momentum.

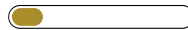
High Impact: Actions that have the potential to get us the furthest toward the Town's goals

 Action aligns with the Yarmouth Comprehensive Plan (2024)

### Goal 5: Reduce community waste.

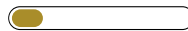
#### Strategy 5.1: Minimize waste and prioritize sustainable consumption.

Action 5.1.1: Phase out single use materials in commercial spaces by adopting single use item bans and promoting reuse systems.



Awaiting Resources

Action 5.1.2: Launch a business recognition and outreach program to provide resources for businesses to reduce waste.



Awaiting Resources. YCAB initiated program development and will determine next steps for 2025-26.

Action 5.1.3: Adopt a Municipal Sustainable Purchasing Policy.



Awaiting Resources

Action 5.1.4: Assess opportunities to reduce waste from town operations and facilities by tracking waste and developing a zero waste plan.



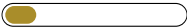
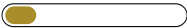


Awaiting Resources

#### Strategy 5.2: Promote a circular resource sharing economy.

Action 5.2.1: Develop a library of things that serves as a space to foster opportunities for residents to reuse, repair, and create items and materials.



Library has purchased power stations, among other items to launch a Library of Things. YCAB aims to explore reuse and repair community events.

Strategy 5.3: Expand reuse, recycling and composting infrastructure, services, and education.		
Action 5.3.1: Phase in requirements for composting at businesses and apartment buildings that promotes reuse solutions over single use bioplastics.		Awaiting Resources
Action 5.3.2: Require recycling in commercial and multifamily residential buildings by 2026.		Awaiting Resources. Sustainability Department may partner with EcoMaine's Multi-Unit Recycling Program to engage Yarmouth residential developments.
Action 5.3.3: Explore construction and demolition waste ordinances.		Yarmouth's ResilienceCorps Fellow completed research on opportunities for the Town to integrate construction and demolition policies, and confirmed further State and regional direction is needed to facilitate local action.
Action 5.3.4: Enact strategies to minimize waste at Clam Festival and strive to reach zero waste event standards by 2030.		Clam Festival directors continue to integrate and explore and implement waste reduction practices, such as recycling cooking oil and increasing compostable options.