



January 16, 2019

To the Stevens Community:

As a part of the City of Hoboken's sustainability efforts and specifically to reduce the amount of waste resulting from plastic bags, the City of Hoboken recently passed an ordinance that prohibits the use of plastic carry-out bags at retail and food establishments within the City of Hoboken. This includes retail and dining establishments on the Stevens campus.

Starting on January 22, 2019, retail and food establishments will no longer provide single use plastic carry-out bags to customers. Instead, businesses will encourage customers to bring their own reusable bags. Paper bags will also be available to customers for a fee.

Stevens is committed to complying with and supporting this environmentally-friendly initiative of the City of Hoboken as it reinforces our own sustainability efforts on campus and in the surrounding community.

The City of Hoboken will be holding an event to distribute free, reusable bags to Stevens students on a first-come-first-served basis outside the Pierce Dining Hall on Wednesday, January 30th, between 11:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

For further information and to read Frequently Asked Questions about this initiative, please see the City of Hoboken's [fact sheet](#) about plastic bag use.

Sincerely,

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