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Café Domenico Achieves RecycleOne Business Certification

The Oneida-Herkimer Solid Waste Authority (Authority) is pleased to announce that Café Domenico, located at 2011 Genesee St. in Utica, has obtained the Authority's RecycleOne Business Certification.

Café Domenico, owned and operated by Kim and Orin Domenico, has just celebrated its 16th year as uptown Utica's "genuine java joint." Over the years, the Domenico's have made an earnest effort to conduct their business sustainably.

The **RecycleOne Business Certification** requires an on-site review from Authority staff to verify that specific solid waste management, recycling and energy reduction criteria have been achieved. If the criteria have been achieved, the Authority will issue the facility or business an official **RecycleOne Business Certification**.

This certification is free and available to businesses located in Oneida and Herkimer counties. Accepted businesses will receive **RecycleOne** logos and updated quarterly recycling information. In addition, they will be featured as a **RecycleOne** business on the Authority website and will be eligible to win the Authority's annual Recycling Champion award.

The Authority's on-site review found that Café Domenico minimizes waste in the following ways:



- Use of washable cutlery and dishes instead of disposable alternatives
- Paper 'to-go' cups instead of Styrofoam
- Diligent recycling of all cardboard, paper, plastic, metal, and glass
- Furnished with re-used and re-purposed tables and chairs
- Leftover food is donated and occasionally set aside for composting
- Locally sourced ingredients used whenever possible
- Goods purchased in bulk packaging instead of individual packaging

"I was impressed by the Domenico's commitment to benefitting the local community and to being as 'green' as possible. The Authority is happy to certify Café Domenico as an official **RecycleOne Business**" says Emily Albright, Authority Director of Recycling.

Recycling in the workplace not only helps the environment, but can be economically advantageous by allowing for lower costs for waste removal and possible revenues from recycling. The program also encourages social responsibility, positive public response and sustainability.

For more information on the Authority's **RecycleOne Business Recycling Program**, please contact Emily Albright, Director of Recycling, at (315) 733-1224 ext. 1600 or visit www.RecycleOneBusiness.com to download the **RecycleOne Business Recycling Program Guide**.

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