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Purchaser Profile:

Merle Kluczkowski is the HR Manager with Taylor McCaffrey LLP. She's been with the firm for 26 years. She likes the concept of the SPP. One of the Supplier Partners they frequently support is Cosmopolitan Florists. "We purchase from them because we are part of the Portal. We know they hire local and they're part of the community." Kluczkowski says. "I drove by the store the other day. It's beautiful!"

Taylor McCaffrey is a valued Purchaser Partner and is always looking for ways to support the Suppliers in order to help job creation in the inner-city.

A note from the Manitoba Food Charter:

The Manitoba Food Charter's vision is of a just and sustainable food system in Manitoba. One aspect of that is the development of diverse vibrant production for local markets, and healthy relationships between producers and consumers in urban, rural and northern Manitoba communities. As a purchaser, we promote and support local food production, and businesses that share these values

www.manitobafoodsecurity.ca

Congratulations!

Many of you may remember Katherine Wickens, who worked hard with the SPP last Fall and Winter.

Katherine had a healthy baby boy in June. Baby John was kept well nourished during Katherine's pregnancy with the abundance of healthy, organic fruits and vegetables from Fresh Options Organic Delivery.

Katherine says; "My work with the SPP opened my eyes to many wonderful businesses in Winnipeg that I'll continue to use."

Congratulations, Katherine (and husband Jake) and welcome to the

Supplier Profile: The Waste Reduction Store



Kathleen Boylan

The Waste Reduction Store launched in December of 2006 after conceiving of the idea the previous May. Kathleen Boylan, owner of this unique company, had gone to a Green Living Tradeshow in Minneapolis where she first discovered these biodegradable, compostable alternatives to plastic and other disposable food serving-ware and packaging.

When she came back to Winnipeg, she thought, "Nobody has these products here. Why not?" Boylan has been an environmental enthusiast for many years and easily comprehends the impact we have on this planet; how that impacts our health, and the future generations of all species.

"To think people are going to start using their own plates and that take-out (fast food) places will get dishwashers isn't going to happen," Boylan says, "So I sourced them."

Although Boylan sees a lot of hope, she still believes there are too many people who just aren't getting it. "Joe Shmoe thinks (environmentally responsible behaviour) is some sort

of thing people in Birkenstocks do in their back yard on a full moon."

The Waste Reduction Store is growing and include many forward thinking businesses. Degrees Diner in the University of Manitoba is included among that list. And it's not just Winnipeg she's hearing from. She is selling to all western provinces, Ontario and Nova Scotia.

Kathleen Boylan is excited by the prospect of being able to grow her business and provide others with good jobs.

Visit the website at
www.happyplanetproductions.com

SPP Suppliers & Purchasers

Avenue Chiropractic Centre
quality chiropractic care

Cosmopolitan Florists
beautiful flowers, plants, gift baskets

Earthshare Agricultural Co-op
fresh organic produce

Enviro-Safe Cleaning
worker owned commercial janitorial company

Ellice Café & Theatre

Food for Thought
catering, frozen food, café

Fresh Option Organic Delivery
fresh organic foods delivered

FUNtastic Party & Special Event Planning
special events planning & party supplies

Inner-City Renovation
complete renovation service

Organic Planet Worker Cooperative
caterers and organic produce, grocery and in-store made Deli

supplier partners

Inner-City Property Management
complete property management services

Kendrick Quality Printing & Computing

The Up Shoppe
specializing in gently used women's clothing and accessories

Lloyd's Quick Printing
digital & wide format printing, signs, vehicle graphics & magnets

Mondragon Bookstore and Coffeehouse
cozy café and stimulating bookstore

Natural Cycle
all-weather, fast, affordable courier service

Neechi Foods
community-owned, grocery & catering

Northern Star Worker Co-op
aboriginal star blankets & wall hangings

Paradis & Dennis Visual Communications
graphic design & printing

ParIT Worker Co-op
open source software installation & support

Pollock Hardware
everyday and hard-to-find hardware items

Prairie Pride Gourmet Baskets
fine gourmet gift baskets

Redfern Landscaping
four season property maintenance

The Screening Shoppe
silk screening & promotional products

Sunpeak Foods
nutritious, natural, chemical free food products

VASA Cooperative
worker owned natural clothing

The Waste Reduction Store
biodegradable, compostable alternatives to food packaging

Western Label Co.
labels and digital print services

SPP Employment Exchange Committee

The SPP Employment Exchange Committee (EEC) is a partnering of 18 non-profit member agencies each working with people who have faced multiple barriers to employment. The EEC responds to job postings from SPP Supplier and Purchaser Partners. The EEC is coordinated by the PATH Resource Centre. For more information please contact Vlessy Villaneuva-Sanchez at 927-2306.



SEED Winnipeg (Supporting Employment and Economic Development) delivers programs and services that help low-income individuals, groups and organizations start businesses and save money for future goals. The Social Purchasing Portal is an effective way for SEED to model the power of Community Economic Development strategies to foster business development and employment in the inner-city.

purchaser partners

Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives - Manitoba

Community Ownership Solutions

Mediation Services

Fort Garry Women's Resource Centre

Mountain Equipment Co-op

University of Manitoba Student's Union

Women's Enterprise Centre of Manitoba

Art City

Marymount

Nine Circles Community Health Centre

Social Planning Council of Winnipeg

Jubilee Fund Inc.

LITE (Local Investment Toward Employment)

Fort Whyte Centre

Tribal Councils Investment Group

Reaching E-Quality Employment Services

Canadian CED Network - Manitoba

West Broadway Development Corporation.

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Nor'West Community Health Centre Co-op

The Manitoba Museum

Moe Water Delights Inc.

Elizabeth Fry Society Inc.

SEED Winnipeg Inc.

North End Women's Centre

LOGO Printwear & Promotions

Manitoba Business 4507992 Ltd.

Credit Union Central of Manitoba

S.P.L.A.S.H. Child Care Inc.

University of Winnipeg

Corporate Express Canada Inc.

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Indian & Northern Affairs Canada

United Way of Winnipeg

Taylor McCaffrey LLP

Assiniboine Credit Union

Mount Carmel Clinic

University of Manitoba

North End Renewal Corp.

UN Platform for Action Committee Manitoba (UNPAC)

Birchwood Automotive Group

UFCW Training Centre

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The Winnipeg Convention Centre

PMC Insurance

Curtis Carpets

Pro-Line Painting & Decorating

Assurances Forest

CKUW Radio

UMFM 101.5

U of W Student's Association

Age & Opportunity

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Adult Education Centre Inc.

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