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Prerequisites			
Action Item	Yes	No	N/A
No polystyrene (Styrofoam) is used during the event.			
Make recycling bins WITH LIDS available throughout the event space.			

The above prerequisites must be met to achieve a Green Event certification.

Education			
Action Item	Yes	No	N/A
Announce sustainable event features to attendees and include an explanation of what to recycle/compost.			
Share sustainable event features with other event planners and colleagues to encourage others.			
Energy Efficiency			
Action Item	Yes	No	N/A
Use natural light instead of indoor lighting.			
Switch off and unplug all added indoor lighting, A/V equipment, and electronics when not in use.			



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Food

Action Item	Yes	No	N/A
Require attendees to RSVP for an accurate headcount.			
Order a Green Menu from UM Dining.			
Serve a vegetarian or vegan menu.			
Repurpose or donate leftover food.			
Choose finger foods / foods that do not require silverware.			
Choose reusable or biodegradable silverware.			
Contact GreenU to set up a composting station.			
Ensure food trucks do not idle on the premises. Generators are okay.			



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Transportation

Action Item	Yes	No	N/A
Provide audio or video conferencing options.			
Encourage attendees to use sustainable commuting options for all events.			
Recommend local accommodations to overnight guests that are accessible via public transit.			

Waste

Action Item	Yes	No	N/A
Minimize paper use.			
Use FSC-certified or 100% post-consumer recycled paper.			
Use reusable event promotion materials.			
Choose reusable, biodegradable, or recyclable event decor, and avoid using balloons and glitter outside.			
Ship your decorations in bulk to reduce packaging.			
Extend the shipment period of your decorations to 7-day delivery instead of the shortest delivery period.			
Instead of water bottles, provide tap water and paper cups or water in aluminum cans.			

