

Summary of Tufts Dental School Rapid Water Bottle Filling Stations

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People Involved:

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Mission: One of the School of Dental Medicine’s ongoing “green” goals is to greatly reduce and (eventually eliminate) the use of plastic water bottles at events and meetings. The school’s hope is to convince event/meeting coordinators to stop providing bottled water and eventually eliminate the use of plastic bottles at events/meetings of any size. By installing an additional water bottle refilling station, in a high traffic area, the university’s effort to curb disposable plastic water bottle use will be helped.

Accomplishments:

- The 2nd rapid fill water station was installed on the 8th floor of the School of Dental Medicine.
- Location was chosen because of the area being a high traffic area near the preclinical Laboratory that holds about 208 students.
- From July 2018- September 1, 2018, 1176 plastic water bottles were saved as a result of the 2nd installed water refilling station on the 8th floor.
- Advertisement in the School of Dental Medicine newsletter.

