

Physical Health & Nutrition



VENDING MACHINE MAKEOVER

SNACK SMARTER

- Revamp the vending machines in public places in your town by adding healthier, more nutritious snack and beverage alternatives. For example, a CDC study demonstrates significant reductions in the consumption of sugary beverages in schools that implemented a Vending Machine Makeover policy.
- Post signage at the vending machines with relevant nutrition information about items offered.
- Be sure healthier alternatives and water are included as options in the vending machines.



Reach Out

 Reach out to the vending machine company and discuss restocking machines with healthier options.

BE THE FIRST!

Tell the Mayors Wellness Campaign what you did so we can spotlight your work here!

Educate Your Community

- Create educational materials that can be posted on or near vending machines.
- Let residents know about the ingredients in the foods offered, such as calories, fat content, sodium content, and serving sizes.
- Urge consumers to consider the healthy options or alternatives offered in the vending machines.

Set an Example

- Be sure the vending machines in the town hall and in schools are the example that you want all businesses in your community to emulate.
- Renovate water fountains in your buildings to encourage more consumption of water, without the expense and waste of plastic water bottles.



Healthy Vending Toolkit