



# EMERALD KEEPERS

For an Emerald Green, Ocean Blue Coronado

## HAVE A GREEN HALLOWEEN

### SPOOKY CAN BE SUSTAINABLE

**H**alloween is a festive occasion and a prime opportunity to teach our children how they can help protect our environment.

#### **COSTUMES**

The biggest environmental impact of Halloween comes from mass-produced costumes. Make your own or seek more durable costumes that can be traded or reworn in future years. Donate old costumes to any of our local thrift shops where they can find new owners.

Coronado Girl Scout Troop 6561 is collecting gently used Halloween costumes at the schools (Christ

Church Day School, Village Elementary, Silver Strand Elementary, Coronado Middle School, Coronado High School) through November 7.

#### **CANDY**

Candy is celebrated and devoured by trick or treaters, but all those candy wrappers can not be recycled due to their small size and plastic material. Ensure the wrappers stay out of our beaches, parks, and ocean

by providing plenty of trash cans and reminding kids to place their wrappers in the trash.

#### **PUMPKINS**

Pumpkins symbolize Halloween but they can also be used after the holiday. Roasted pumpkin seeds are an edible treat while pumpkin flesh can be used for muffins, pies, and soups. Pumpkins should be composted or placed in the EDCO green bin with organic recycling.

#### **DECOR**

Use natural products or make your own decorations to show Halloween spirit and avoid the plastic and waste from many of the decorations sold in stores. If you do buy decorations, save them to use for years to come.

#### **PARTIES**

If you host a Halloween party, use compostable, biodegradable or reusable plates, cups, and utensils. Serve homemade finger foods instead of snacks wrapped in plastic.

Have a Happy Halloween while keeping Coronado Emerald Green, Ocean Blue.



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