

LOS ANGELES ECO-VILLAGE

Food Lobby Membership



Contacts

Private Food Lobby Member Website (NEW!):

www.LAEVfoodlobby.org (you will be invited)

Google Group Listserve:

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Workshifts: foodlobbyworkshifts@gmail.com

Bulk Room: foodlobbybulk@gmail.com

Produce: foodlobbyproduce@gmail.com

Produce Orders via SquareCash App:

[https://cash.me/\\$LAEVFoodLobby](https://cash.me/$LAEVFoodLobby)

Visiting the Eco-Village & How the Food Lobby Works

The **Los Angeles Eco-Village [LAEV]** is a gated Intentional and Sustainable Living Community located at **117 S. Bimini Place, Los Angeles, CA** in Koreatown. To enter gate, **buzz Bulk Room phone number listed on call box**. The Eco-Village Bulk Room (and Bike Room #111) is down the left hallway from the lobby, past the stairs on the right.

The LAEV Food Lobby is a buying club (or unofficial co-op) entirely member and volunteer run at the Eco-Village. As a member, you will hold a small workshift and be able to shop in the Bulk Room and order weekly produce boxes on Saturdays.

Food Lobby Hours

The Food Lobby and Bulk Room Store are operational **SATURDAYS** from **12:30 to 2:30 pm**. (The Bulk Room can be opened by appointment on other days).

Produce deliveries arrive at **11:45 am on Saturdays** for unloading and sorting in the lobby. Produce boxes are **available for pick-up by 1:00 to 7:00 pm** in front of the Bulk Room. **No late pick-ups after 7:00 pm**, as there is no refrigeration possible.

The Bulk Room Store

We sell basic dried bulk goods like beans, grains, nuts, pasta, coffee, granola, chocolate, spices, soap and more.

Open a bulk room account & make a deposit via **CASH** or **CHECK** (made out to **CRSP**, with "food lobby" in the subject line). The cost of your purchases will be subtracted from your account. You contribute more money when your account is low. Non-working members pay 5% more than shelf-price in bulk room.

You can also order private bulk items monthly from our independent food distributor [Azure Standard](#). Open an account with a credit card and use our **Drop Point ID Number (available once you join)**. Azure does phone us to make sure you are a member, as people outside of the food co-op cannot use our drop point. (No delivery fee on orders more than \$55; \$5 Delivery fee for smaller orders.)

How to order Produce

- You may pre-order up to 4 weeks in advance, and as little or often as you'd like. **Box Options:**
 - **\$10 veggie box** (feeds 2 hungry humans who like to cook). Most popular option.
 - **\$20 veggie box** (feeds 4+).
- **Deadline to order a weekly box is THURSDAY night for that SATURDAY.** Ways to pre-order:
 - Place **cash + order slip** into envelope and drop in the bulk room door slot at LAEV.
 - Order **online via SquareCash App**. Download the app (iOS/Android) and send funds to recipient **\$LAEVFoodLobby**. You can also visit **link from your computer: [https://cash.me/\\$LAEVFoodLobby](https://cash.me/$LAEVFoodLobby)**. In the *NOTE* section please include your **Name - Date for Box - # of Boxes you are purchasing - Type of Box** (e.g. *Samantha - 08/25/18 - 1 box*).
- We partner with **JF Organics** (Chino, CA) for seasonal, certified organic vegetable produce (and soon **Ricks Produce** for fruit and eggs)!. Our deliveries vary week to week and include: broccoli, spinach, lettuce, chard, kale, cabbage, peppers, zucchini, squash, cucumbers, carrots, onions, celery, tomatoes, herbs and roots.

Workshifts

The food lobby co-op is entirely volunteer run, so we rely on members to hold workshifts. This typically entails **1-2 hour(s) every 6 weeks**. Shifts available include:

- **Sorting produce on Saturdays**
- **Working in the bulk store**
- **Training/Coordinating**
- **Administrative/Tech/Web task**

Every member is expected to take a work shift, and you will be trained. **If you miss more than 3 workshifts without notice, your membership will be deactivated.** If you can't make your shift, please inform your Cell mates and post on the listserv to swap coverage. You will log work hours on a web link provided.

How to Join

1. **Take a visit** to LAEV during operational hours to chat with a working member, take a look around and get acquainted with the process.
2. **Fill out online Membership Form:** <http://goo.gl/forms/BLy1KWFzsh> or email foodlobbymembers@gmail.com to get started.
3. The Workshift Coordinator will set you up with a workshift via email. Check out the **[Workshift Schedule](#)** for updates.
4. We will add your email to the Google Group Listserv and private member website for all info and announcements. Please accept the invites!
5. Review and adhere to the rules of the co-op. **Please inform foodlobbymembers@gmail.com if you will be inactive for lengthy periods of time (i.e. travel, work, hiatus) or need to cancel your membership. You can always rejoin at any time.**