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P+PB's national sustainability-focused marketing campaign highlights how paper and packaging's sustainable nature, the industry's environmental practices and investment in recycling contributes to a healthier planet.

### **CAMPAIGN HIGHLIGHTS**

# 2023 Continuance Referendum Now Underway

Between now and October 20, paper companies supporting the Paper and Packaging Board's national consumer sustainability campaign will vote on whether or not to continue the effort. The campaign has delivered some excellent results for the industry which are featured in our recent State of the Campaign Report and video.

Together, we are accomplishing at scale what no one company can do alone with such impact. Through economic ups and downs, the consumer campaign is providing a steady drumbeat of information and education about our reforesting practices, recycling advancements and product innovations that advance the reputation of our industry and preference for paper in an increasingly competitive environment



In the short video above, An Boon, VP of Global Marketing at Graphic Packaging and P+PB Committee Member, shares her perspective about the power of coming together as an industry to connect with consumers at scale.

**FOR DETAILED INFORMATION** about the 2023 continuance referendum and videos from more of our Board and Committee members, visit **paperandpackaging.org/referendum-2023** 

### CAMPAIGN HIGHLIGHTS

### Bringing Pizza Box Recycling Education to College Campuses

For National Pizza Month, we've partnered with Her Campus, a nationwide college media group reaching Gen Zers (ages 18-26). Students will learn the importance of properly recycling pizza boxes through nationwide distribution of online articles, emails, newsletters and social media. At the local level, 12 Her Campus chapters across the U.S. will host educational pizza parties on campuses – all to encourage proper pizza box recycling among fellow students and provide social content on Instagram and TikTok that we will share throughout October.



**READ** the pizza box recycling articles featured on Her Campus' popular editorial sites:

- Her Campus: hercampus.com/life/eco-friendly-college-pizza-party/
- Spoon University: spoonuniversity.com/lifestyle/everything-to-know-about-pizza



## New Papertarian Video Puts a Humorous Twist on Neighborhood Watch Programs

Need some convincing to go papertarian? How about some peer pressure from Mother Nature? In our latest papertarian social video, we're sharing one of many reasons to go papertarian - it helps natural habitats thrive!

#### WATCH NOW at youtube.com/@howlifeunfolds

### Sustainable Thoughts From P+PB's President, Mary Anne Hansan



## The Sound of Silence

Over the last nine years, the Paper and Packaging Board has built a smart, strategic marketing program that communicates our industry's sustainability ethos and planet-smart packaging innovations. Our sustainability work is in its infancy, just two and a half years in, with more work ahead.

We know that our circularity story is not well understood and is still underappreciated. We know there is still public concern over the sustainability of forests. And we know that the recycling community at large has not kept up with advancements in paper recycling at the mill level.

And now, with our work only partly finished, our industry is voting as we speak on whether the consumer promotion campaign should continue.

**READ MORE** on my blog at paperandpackaging.org/blog

# Campaign Awarded for Brand Storytelling

While the Oscars are the movie industry's recognition of excellence by their peers, our campaign work has been recognized over the years by the marketing and advertising industry for its excellent brand storytelling. Our collaborative B2B work with agency Stein IAS for the 2022 Pack Expo recently earned six awards for our life-size corrugated DeLorean and AI experience, highlighting our Box to Nature residential recycling initiative. Capitalizing on the conference's Pack to the Future theme, our fun take on the iconic Back to the Future movie created much buzz, was a popular photo moment for attendees and generated business leads.



#### **RECENT AWARDS INCLUDE:**

**2023 B2B Marketing Elevation Awards:** Best Digital Experience Initiative and Best Use of Live, Digital and Hybrid-Event Marketing

**2023 Association of National Advertisers Global ACE Awards:** Event/Trade Show Marketing and Digital/Tech Powered Experience

2023 Association of National Advertisers B2 Awards: Trade Show or Conference 2023 Gerety Awards: Business to Business

### INNOVATION

## Innovative and Sustainable Packaging: Paper Does That!

For our innovations feature this month, we are showcasing an article by Packaging World.



The packaging industry is experiencing a substantial shift in materials, primarily driven by objectives centered around sustainability. The replacement of plastic remains a priority for many brands and retailers, as they seek alternatives with a smaller environmental footprint.

#### **READ MORE** at packworld.com/news/sustainability

#### DATA TRENDS THAT MATTER



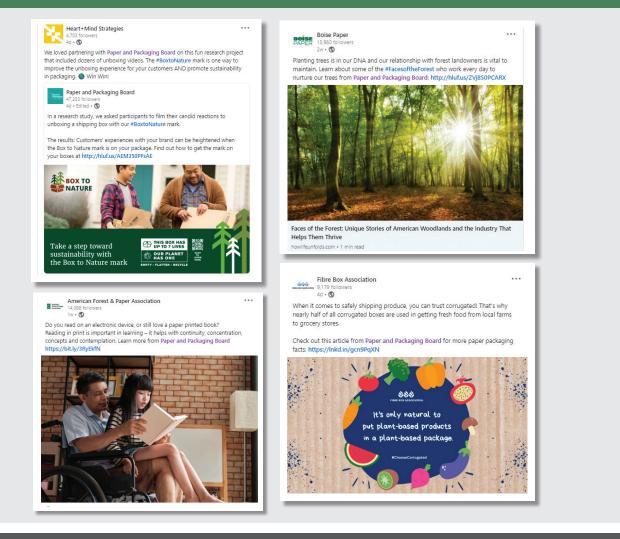
**75%** A G R E E

57% agree

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SOURCE: Isobar/Brookmark A&U Tracking Survey, Aug '15- May '23 Waves. Audience: Total Expressives.

### SOCIAL SPOTLIGHT AND SHARING





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