

The Maryland Green Registry promotes and recognizes sustainable practices at organizations of all types and sizes. Members agree to share at least five environmental practices and one measurable result while striving to continually improve their environmental performance.

# **Maryland Chamber of Commerce**



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## Management and Leadership

### **Environmental Team**

The Chamber's senior leadership team meets regularly and reviews environmental practices. Our mission is to assist in the efforts toward the good health and sustainability of our environment. The Government Affairs team also supports the Energy and Environment Committee which debates legislation and regulations surrounding these subjects.

## **Environmental Policy Statement**

The Maryland Chamber ardently supports public policy that balances environmental issues with economic considerations. Environmental stewardship requires responsibility and accountability. Therefore, the Maryland Chamber, its members and their employees are committed to fostering a healthy and sustainable environment, while continuing to promote increased job and business investment opportunities.

The Maryland Chamber will work with other business and environmental organizations to collectively advocate for the following:

- Practical, reasonable, achievable, and financially viable energy conservation/reduction measures
- Sound policies for reliable and competitively priced energy generation, transmission and distribution facilities, including nuclear, natural gas, clean coal and renewable energy sources

- Incentives as a primary tool to promote "green" business operations and construction
- Concentration of state efforts and resources in support of a comprehensive energy, climate change, and air quality policy at the national level

#### **Environmentally Preferable Services**

The Maryland Chamber now provides online access to all Government Affairs and Membership related documents. When possible, we are a paperless office and deliver products and services electronically. This has created a savings of over 40,000 sheets of paper annually.

#### <u>Waste</u>

#### Recycling

We actively recycle cardboard, paper, glass, and plastic bottles. In addition, all out-of-date computers as well as monitors, printers and power cords are donated for reuse or electronic recycling.

#### **Energy**

## Energy Efficiency

The refrigerator and dishwasher have recently been replaced with energy efficient models. Led lightbulbs have been installed in all lighting fixtures. Lights are kept off in unoccupied spaces and overnight. The heating and air conditioning systems are programmable and set to more efficient levels when the office is unmanned.

#### **Transportation**

### **Efficient Business Travel**

The Maryland Chamber frequently utilizes teleconferencing and virtual platforms when conducting or attending meetings. Additionally, we stress public transportation when travelling and carpooling when cars are necessary.

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Help build a greener, more sustainable Maryland through voluntary practices that reduce environmental impacts and save money.