



## Maryland Green Registry MEMBER

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.

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Retail

Member since February 2016

## Management and Leadership

### Environmental Team

*Wawa formed a Strategic Green Team in 2008 and its members meet once a month. The Green Team promotes sustainability throughout the company. It is a group of cross-functional, passionate and engaged associates who represent various functional departments throughout Wawa. The team is in place to engage customers, associates and vendor partners to drive the effort of sustainability. Projects and ideas are discussed at this meeting to make our business more sustainable and cost-effective.*

### Environmentally Preferable Products and Services

*The plastic bags that we use for store purchases contain 25% recycled material.*

## Waste

### Solid Waste Reduction and Reuse

*In 2013, we set up a Food Donation Connection Program in two of our Wawa stores. In 2015 we had 511 stores participating in the program. Amongst all of the stores participating in the program, in 2015 we were able to donate over 3.3 million pounds of food to local food banks and pantries. In Maryland in 2015 we had 41 stores participating in the program, and those stores were able to donate 234,899 pounds of food to local food banks and pantries.*

**Recycling**

*Wawa added commingled and plastic bag recycling to its existing cardboard recycling program in 2012. In Maryland in 2015 under this Single Stream Program we were able to recycle 929.97 total tons, or 22.3% of total waste. We also offer store front recycling opportunities to customers for bottles, cans and plastic bags at all Wawa locations.*

**Energy**

**Energy Efficiency**

*In the last few years Wawa has retrofitted all of the Maryland gas stores with exterior LED lights in the parking lots and gas canopies. This not only has significantly reduced the kWh used by Wawa at each store, but it has also reduced energy bills for each store by approximately \$7,000 annually. In addition, all Maryland stores (except one, which will be completed in 2016) have sophisticated building automation systems that measure real time energy usage and efficiency. This has allowed the facilities team to strategize for things such as best equipment, materials and usage decisions.*

**Transportation**

**Efficient Business Travel**

*2012 was the first year Wawa began tracking its business travel carbon footprint. Since 2012, our business travel carbon footprint has decreased every year even though we continue to grow as a company.*

*Business Travel Carbon Footprint:*

*2012: 966 million metric tons of carbon dioxide*

*2013: 712 million metric tons of carbon dioxide*

*2014: 468 million metric tons of carbon dioxide*

**Water**

**Water Conservation**

*In our Wawa stores, we use water efficient equipment and fixtures. Some examples include 96% thermal efficient gas water heaters, sensor faucets and high efficiency sensor urinals and lavatories. We also use drip irrigation to save water in planting beds.*



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