



**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.

Virtual X Kitchen



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Restaurant
Member since June 2026

Management and Leadership



Environmental Team

Our sustainability team includes leadership and staff members who work together to improve the environmental performance of our facility and operations. The team meets quarterly to discuss sustainability goals, review current practices, and identify opportunities to reduce waste, conserve resources, and improve efficiency.

We have also expanded our efforts by connecting with local government agencies and community organizations to participate in sustainability projects and initiatives that support environmental responsibility within our operations and the broader community.



Environmentally Preferable Purchasing

We strive to reduce environmental impacts by using compostable utensils, including forks, knives, and spoons, as well as compostable food packaging whenever possible. We also partner with a company that collects and recycles our used cooking oil to help reduce waste and support responsible disposal practices. These efforts are part of our ongoing commitment to more sustainable operations.



Ecological Restoration and Community Environmental Projects

We actively participate in and support community environmental and outreach initiatives, including Good Neighbor Day activities, community clean-up events, and local community programs in the College Park area.

Waste

☒ **Solid Waste Reduction and Reuse**

We work to reduce waste and support sustainability by donating excess untouched food to local non-profit organizations and a local women's shelter, helping reduce food waste while supporting those in need. We also provide meals to elderly residents through community donation efforts.

Our used cooking oil is professionally collected and recycled to ensure proper disposal and reduce environmental impact. In addition, unused metal machinery and equipment are either sold for reuse locally or collected by a metal recycling company when no longer operational, helping divert materials from landfills and promote recycling and reuse practices.

Transportation

☒ **Employee Commute/Customer Travel**

We encourage alternative transportation methods to help reduce single-occupancy vehicle trips. Our facility includes a Tesla charging station for employee and customer use, secure bike storage, and bike racks conveniently located near the building. We are also within walking distance of public transportation and a local bike trail, making it easier for employees and visitors to use sustainable transportation options.

Many of our employees live within the surrounding neighborhood and regularly bike or walk to work instead of driving, helping reduce vehicle emissions and fuel consumption associated with daily commuting.

☒ **Efficient Business Travel**

We support efficient business travel by encouraging carpooling and virtual meetings whenever possible. For catering events, employees travel together using company vehicles to reduce the number of vehicles on the road and minimize fuel consumption and emissions.

We also utilize Zoom and other virtual meeting platforms for many business meetings to reduce unnecessary travel. In addition, we provide meeting space in our conference room for local nonprofit organizations, helping reduce commute distances for community members and supporting more centralized gatherings.