



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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Internet sales of rain barrels and water conservation products

Member since June 2010

Management and Leadership



Environmentally Preferable Products and Services

We manufacture and distribute rain barrels, rain barrel supplies and water conservation products.



Environmental Restoration or Community Environmental Projects

We work hard to keep invasive plants on our 3-acre property to a minimum and have begun planning food forest and permaculture themes.

We support many of the local Watershed Groups by participating in educational events and running rain barrel "Make it and Take it" workshops for them.

We also display rain barrel products at numerous events during the year to educate and instruct the public on water conservation and storm water management using rain barrels.

Waste



Solid Waste Reduction and Reuse

Shipping boxes and nearly all the inbound packing materials are reused for outgoing orders.

Recycling

100% of our paper waste is recycled.

Energy

Energy Efficiency

The asbestos tile exterior of the building was replaced with steel siding and the entire building wrapped with a new thermal barrier. The ceiling insulation was removed and replaced with cellulose. A foil barrier was placed on top of the blown in ceiling insulation. New fiberglass triple pane windows were installed through out the building.

The warehouse had a new roof installed. The new color is white. This color will reflect the sun's rays. Two thermostat controlled roof vent fans were installed to exhaust more hot air. This will also increase the life span of the new roofing materials.

Renewable Energy

We are currently evaluating solar and wind for future power needs.

Transportation

Employee Commute

Our business is home based so there are no commute miles.

Efficient Business Travel

Our business is conducted via the internet. The postal carrier picks up outgoing orders so no additional transportation costs or miles are incurred to transport packages.

Water

Water Conservation

*Installed a dual flush toilet kit to reduce water consumption.
http://www.aquabarrel.com/product_one2flush.php*

*Installed new shut off aerator to stop water from running
http://www.aquabarrel.com/product_faucet_shut_off.php*

Installed a low flow ADA compliant TOTO toilet.

Stormwater Management and Site Design

There are multiple water collection products which collect rain water for use for irrigation and washing vehicles.

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

Learn more at www.green.maryland.gov/registry

