



## 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.

# EstateMAX and Other People's Stuff

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Estate and Personal Property Liquidations,  
Re-Use, Re-Cycling, Re-Sale  
*Member since May 2010*

### Management and Leadership



#### **Environmentally Preferable Products and Services**

*My businesses, EstateMax and Other People's Stuff, are by nature green businesses in that I recycle, salvage, re-use and re-sell personal property from my DC Metro estate and downsizing clients. I have been providing transitions and estate management, downsizing, liquidations, relocating, organizing, simplifying and the re-design and re-building of living and working environments for people and business since 1999.*



#### **Environmental Restoration or Community Environmental Projects**

*I have created a natural urban landscape on my business property, which is located in the historic district of Frederick, Maryland. I've planted appropriate ornamental trees and plants that require very little water, providing increased habitat for birds and animals, and a 1,350 square foot organic urban garden which is shared with the community.*

### Waste



#### **Solid Waste Reduction and Reuse**

*My business is all about re-use. I remove as much material as possible from my jobs for recycling, re-sale and donation. What is not sold to the public at our EstateMAX estate sales is donated to charity, taken to metal recycling and to*

*our Other People's Stuff Estates RE-Sale Showroom and Warehouse, where it is again is put up for sale to the public.*

**Recycling**

*At my office, I recycle cardboard and white paper, metal, plastic and glass and compost organic materials and contribute residual organic materials to the county mulch and compost facility.*

**Composting**

*As part of our organic garden, we compost on-site.*

**Energy**

**Energy Efficiency**

*I have radiant heat in the office floor, energy efficient windows, and Energy Star appliances.*

**Water**

**Water Conservation**

*We have installed 1,700 gallon rain water catchment system that stores the water in rain barrels, water tanks, and 300 gallons in a pond. The water catchment system feeds both the organic garden and the landscaping at my property. I saved an estimated 6,000 gallons of city water last growing season and so far this year a quarter of that amount. I also have low flow fixtures (shower heads and toilets) throughout my office facility.*

**Stormwater Management and Site Design**

*I have a complete storm water management system for my property. Water from the office roof is directed into the rain barrels, rain collection tanks, ponds and organic garden, for 6 to 8 months of the year.*

*A permeable river pebble "patio" occupies another 400 square feet. I have also constructed a hill of drought resistant plantings, such as ornamental grasses, sedum, day lilies, Russian Sages, Echinacea, Bee Balm, Butterfly Bush, Curly Willow, zinnias, wildflowers, etc. It acts as a buffer zone from traffic on the front, south west corner, of the property at South Carroll Street and is 7,290 cubic feet.*

*One of the 150 gallon ponds is integrated into this hill, fed from the rain spout on the front of the house and used minimally to water, if necessary. The ornamentals planted are drought-resistant.*

*In total, I have converted 2,890 square feet (including the hill and garden) to a non-mowing area. The grass that remains on the property is cut with a non-motorized rotary mower and electric weed whacker.*

### **Other**



*Member US Green Building Council (USGBC), Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU), and Historically Underutilized Business Zone (HUBzone)*

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