



## 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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### Management and Leadership

**Environmental Policy Statement**

*Our office has made a commitment to reduce, recycle and make every effort to reduce our carbon footprint in order to protect the environment and keep Maryland a clean green space.*

**Environmentally Preferable Purchasing**

*We are a small dental office and we try to order our supplies in a manner that will limit deliveries and hence the amount of trips UPS has to make to our offices. We have cut deliveries from 4 or 5 times per month to just twice a month.*

### Waste

**Solid Waste Reduction and Reuse**

*By ordering our supplies in larger quantities, we also reduce the amount of packaging.*

**Recycling**

*We recycle paper, cardboard, plastic and glass.*

**Hazardous Waste/Toxic Use Reduction**

*By switching to digital imaging, we have eliminated use of the toxic chemicals that were used to process the x-ray films.*

**Energy**

**Energy Efficiency**

*We had an energy audit performed by Zeronet USA, a building efficiency company, which identified several areas of opportunity. We are currently waiting for our new ceiling to be installed and then we will be using LED lighting. Zeronet estimates that this will conserve 2,500 kWh/year, saving us \$400 annually.*

**Water**

**Water Conservation**

*By switching to digital imaging, we have eliminated the use of water that was used to process the x-ray films. We also reduce water use through "dry suction" rather than having patients rinse and use the cuspidors (sinks), saving 350-500 gallons of water annually.*

**Other**

*We are members of the Eco-Dentistry Association and have been awarded their Gold Certification, their highest award by completing the EDA's GreenDOC™ program. We are proud to be one of the first 100 dental practices in the world to achieve this honor.*

*As a sailor, I always choose certified Maryland Clean Marinas because of their commitment to the environment.*



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

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