



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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Member since September 2009

Management and Leadership

Environmental Policy Statement

Sustainable Growth will embed best sustainable practices into everything we do and recommend these policies to all associated organizations.

Annual Goals

Sustainable Growth reviews our efforts to address Energy, Land Use, Transportation, Contract Services, Buildings, and Waste Management on an annual basis.

Environmentally Preferable Procurement

Sustainable Growth will always request a "green alternative" and will pay a 10% premium for it if necessary. The following are examples of green products we have purchased: paper, cleaning fluids, light bulbs, HVAC system, hybrid vehicles and local foods.

Environmentally Preferable Products and Services

Our reports are always electronic. Our facilitation, training and advisory services are each designed to illustrate how our clients can work more sustainably.

Environmental Restoration or Community Environmental Projects

We have supported and participated in projects at the Howard County Conservancy for over the past 12 years. They have planted thousands of trees in the restoration of stream buffers and have permanently preserved land for the benefit of future generations. Revenues from our book sales go toward bay restoration efforts.

Energy

Energy Efficiency

As a result of the following measures, our kWh usage continues to drop year to year.

- *Upgraded the HVAC system to higher SEER number,*
- *Installed insulation in roof and around water heater.*
- *Replaced windows and doors.*
- *Installed programmable thermostat and lowered heating and cooling usage.*
- *Insulated wall sockets.*

Transportation

Employee Commute

Relocating our operations has reduced our miles travelled by over 5,000 miles a year.

Efficient Business Travel

Use a hybrid vehicle for business travel and have dramatically reduced air travel.

Other

- Sustainable Growth Owner Ned Tillman has served as chair of the Howard County Sustainability Board, Howard County General Plan Task Force, the Conservancy, and the national board of the Izaak Walton Conservation League of America.*

Tillman is the author of the following books and speaks on these subjects throughout the region:

[*The Chesapeake Watershed: A Sense of Place and a Call to Action*](#)

[*Saving the Places We Love: Paths to Environmental Stewardship*](#)

[*The Big Melt*](#)

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

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