U.S. Green Building Council Maryland

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Management and Leadership

☑ Environmentally Preferable Products and Services

The U.S. Green Building Council Maryland Chapter (USGBC MD) is a 501(c)3 non-profit, charitable organization, committed to a prosperous and sustainable future for the State of Maryland through cost efficient and energy saving green buildings. USGBC MD is the premier forum and network for a diverse constituency of builders and environmentalists, corporations, nonprofit organizations, elected officials, concerned citizens, teachers, students and more. USGBC MD celebrates its 10th anniversary in 2014.

Our Mission is to use education, advocacy and community outreach to support the development of sustainable buildings and communities.

☑ Environmentally Preferable Purchasing

Recycled, biodegradable, non-chemical and environmentally sensitive products are prioritized when purchasing office products, cleaning supplies, and food service items. Priority is given to venues and caterers with a sustainability certification or focus when planning Chapter events. Environmentally friendly options are chosen for printed materials, although most Chapter outreach materials are maintained and distributed electronically (i.e. E-Newsletter).

☑ Environmental Restoration or Community Environmental Projects

USGBC Maryland is an annual participant in PARK(ing) Day and Green Apple Days of Service. The Chapter is also a co-host for the DC NoVA MD Green
School Summit. Many of our educational programs and resource materials help professionals and the general public gain a better understanding of how to promote and enhance sustainability through the built environment.

**Waste**

- **Solid Waste Reduction and Reuse**

  Most Chapter outreach materials are maintained and distributed electronically (i.e. E-Newsletter), eliminating paper mailings to 4,300 Chapter contacts.

- **Recycling**

  Our office has single-stream recycling available for all of our waste. Office paper is often reused by using blank sides for scrap paper. Plastic name badges are collected following events for reuse.

- **Hazardous Waste/Toxic Use Reduction**

  Non-chemical cleaning products are purchased for in-office use.

**Energy**

- **Energy Efficiency**

  Office is in a LEED Platinum building. High efficiency lighting is in place and the office has motion sensors for lighting. There is also a high efficiency heating and cooling system.

**Transportation**

- **Employee Commute**

  Employees telecommute 2-3 days per week, eliminating approximately 275 vehicle miles traveled per week.
Efficient Business Travel

Staff and Board Members carpool to meetings whenever possible. Some meetings are held via teleconference, particularly when regional participants are involved.

Water

Water Conservation

Office is in a LEED Platinum building. Bathrooms have dual flush toilets and faucets with motion sensors.

Stormwater Management and Site Design

Office is in a LEED Platinum building. There is a green roof and landscaping features to reduce runoff.

Green Building

LEED Platinum

Shilling Green is certified LEED Platinum for New Construction.