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It's Easy Being Green with These Tips from FaciliTech

Everyone knows about recycling paper, cans and plastic to keep it out of the landfills. and adjusting the thermostat to save energy. Here are some other EASY ways for EVERY business to "go green" and some of them may even SAVE money at the same time they help the environment!

"Low-Cost" or "No-Cost" Things Every Company Can Do

- Use native plants and trees in your landscaping. They live longer and require less irrigation.
- Don't vend bottled water. If you have a water cooler, ask your employees to bring in reusable cups. Go a step further and purchase reusable glasses for your visitors, too!
- Take the junk out of the trunk of company vehicles. To increase fuel efficiency, don't use the vehicle as a storage closet or toolbox.
- Get your business off of junk mail lists.
- Use rechargeable batteries in calculators, cameras, flashlights or other battery-operated equipment.
- Print on both sides of the paper whenever you have more than one sheet to print. Or, better yet, don't print at all!
- Put a "Think before you print" message as part of your email signature.
- Order and read magazine subscriptions on-line. Or at a minimum, share subscriptions with others who read the same magazines.
- Buy used or refurbished equipment whenever possible or practical. Have broken cell phones, copiers and other equipment repaired instead of replacing them.
- Allow flexible start and stop times so your employees don't have to sit in rush hour traffic.
- Use recycled paper and refillable pencils & pens.
- Attend web seminars and meetings instead of travelling across town or across the country.
- Send invoices and payments electronically.

To find out if your mechanical, electrical and plumbing systems are operating as efficiently as possible, contact FaciliTech Services to set up an energy audit for your office or building.

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