

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.

# **Maryland Signs and Graphics**

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### Management and Leadership

#### **Environmental Statement**

Maryland Signs and Graphics is dedicated to being an environmentally conscious sign making and large format printing provider that goes the extra mile in providing our customers the opportunity to print their pieces in the most earth-friendly ways possible, trying to minimize and possibly eliminate any impact we may have on our environment.

# **☑** Environmentally Preferable Products and Services

We encourage all of our customers to take advantage of the full line of various recycled substrates we offer. Further, by utilizing a state-of-the-art large format printer using water-based latex inks that are virtually odorless and solvent/VOC free, we are able to produce products that are truly environmentally friendly. The manufacturer of the inks we use also offers a prepaid take back program for their recyclable media.

#### **Waste**

## Solid Waste Reduction and Reuse

Maryland Signs and Graphics uses PDF proofing and paperless billing whenever possible to reduce wasteful printing. Also, we save all incoming packaging materials and reuse them for our outgoing packages.

## **✓** Recycling

We recycle all materials that are eligible to be recycled including all kinds waste paper scraps generated from the printing process in addition to any miscellaneous office paper waste. In the six months we have been at this location, we have recycled more than 80 pounds of paper. Additionally, Maryland Signs and Graphics recycles cardboards, plastic bottles and aluminum cans.

#### **Energy**

## **✓** Energy Efficiency

We encourage each of our staff members to be as energy conscious as possible. Every effort is made to reduce energy consumption whenever possible, including turning off unused lights and turning off unused equipment. We have removed twenty-one incandescent bulbs in our showroom/front production area which account for about half the size of our facility on the main level, replacing them with lower wattage high efficiency fluorescent ones.

## **☑** Renewable Energy

We are purchasing electricity from Viridian Energy, which claims that about 20% of their electricity is a sourced from locally produced, high quality wind power.

# **Transportation**

# **Employee Commute**

We promote carpooling and the use of fuel efficient vehicles when possible. Two of our employees carpool at least four out of five working days to work, resulting in a saving of 3,120 commuting miles or 1,376 pounds of greenhouse gas emissions per year.



