

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.

Uptown Press, Inc.



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Member since July 2016

Management and Leadership

Environmental Policy Statement

One primary focus at Uptown Press is our corporate responsibility to the environment. Uptown Press strives to reduce our carbon footprint by using only vegetable base inks, alcohol free fountain solutions and chemistry free developers in our printing process. Uptown Press uses SFC certified and recycled paper in all of our printing processes. Uptown strives toward the reduction of electrical power in manufacturing and is part of the Enernoc family of factories that volunteer to close during power grid emergencies to allow more electric power to feed back into the power grid. Uptown strives whenever possible to use paper that is wind powered and biogas milled resulting in a smaller carbon footprint.

Environmental Team

Jack R. Weber, president and CEO of uptown press leads our environmental program.

Waste

Solid Waste Reduction and Reuse

- Have a centralized inventory control system to prevent over ordering.
- Provide a water fountain for the employees
- Printers and copiers are set for double-sided copying.

- Uptown sends out email blast for advertising as opposed to post card mailing.
- Buys products in bulk or in concentrated form to reduce packaging.
- Use crumpled waste paper for packaging.
- Use returnable or reusable containers and pallets
- We Sell or donate unwanted machinery, folders, presses, etc...
- Reuse wooden pallets

✓ Recycling

- All paper waste is recycled. Bins are provided and picked up weekly.
- Ink and toner cartridges are returned to vendor for recycling.
- Uptown Press uses recycled paper in most of our printing processes.

✓ Hazardous Waste/Toxic Use Reduction

- We track all new purchases of hazardous materials.
- Uptown Press uses vegetable base inks. As opposed to traditional petroleumbased ink, soy-based ink is more environmentally friendly, and makes it easier to recycle paper
- Uptown uses alcohol free fountain solutions and chemistry free development in our printing plate process.
- •Uptown has eliminated over 90% of our hazardous materials over the past 5 years.

Energy

☑ Energy Efficiency

- Uptown participates in EnerNOC Demand Response. We reduce energy use during times of peak demand to enable more electric to be available during peak times of energy demands.
- We have programmable thermostats and adjust for non-work hours.
- Removed wood panels from windows to allow for natural light.
- Replaced incandescent lighting with fluorescent lighting and light- emitting diodes.
- We use virtualization software that optimizes IT assets and PC management software that allows software patches to be performed without being left on all night and we have power saving modes on computers.

Transportation

Efficient Business Travel

We use web and teleconferencing 99% of the time.

Water

✓ Water Conservation

We replaced toilet flushing systems to water flow low water flush toilets.

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