



## 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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## Management and Leadership

### Environmental Policy Statement

*Chris Jones and Associates, LLC is committed to reducing its impact on the environment. We strive to initiate projects and activities to reduce our environmental impact. We are committed to prioritizing waste reduction over recycling, treatment, or disposal of waste.*

*Chris Jones and Associates, LLC will also train staff on our environmental efforts and empower them to contribute and participate. We will also communicate our environmental commitment and efforts to our clients, staff, and the local community.*

*Please visit our Environmental Policy Statement at  
<https://www.chrisjonesmsw.com/enviornmentalpolycystatement.pdf>*

## Waste

### Solid Waste Reduction and Reuse

*Chris Jones and Associates, LLC will:*

- *Print double-sided (when printing is necessary) – estimated conservation of 50 pages of paper annually*
- *Use electronic medical records to prevent paper waste – estimated avoidance of 75 pages of paper annually*

- *Encourage electronic patient access to medical records (when feasible) – estimated 25 pages of paper saved annually*
- *Encourage electronic payment methods to avoid paper check use and prevent paper issuance of printed receipts – estimated to save 750 pages of paper (or the equivalent) annually*

*Implementation of waste reduction and reuse is estimated to save \$100.00 (or more) a year.*

**Recycling**

*Chris Jones and Associates, LLC commits to recycling:*

- *Paper – estimated 10 pounds annually*
- *Cardboard – estimated 10 pounds annually*
- *Plastics – estimated 15 pounds annually*
- *Glass – estimated 1 pound annually*
- *Ink printer cartridges – estimated three cartridges annually*
- *Electronics – estimated 5 pounds triennially*
- *Paint – estimated 2 to 3 cans triennially*

*Chris Jones and Associates, LLC will also place one paper recycling and one plastics & glass recycling bin each in the waiting area and the therapy room.*

*Recycling based on the projections above will save one gallon of oil, 206 hours of electricity, and 16 gallons of water for a business. When calculated using the residential formula, the above projections indicate the conservation of 3 trees, 57 gallons of oil, 833 gallons of water, and 10,827 hours of electricity. These calculations can be duplicated via the Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection website available at <https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/sws/footprint/>.*

**Energy**

**Energy Efficiency**

*Chris Jones and Associates, LLC will continue to implement energy-efficient LED lighting to reduce the amount of electricity required for lighting purposes by 75%. Energy-efficient LED lighting will replace older CFL bulbs reach the end of their life cycle.*

*Our office has recently selected ENERGY STAR computers, monitors, and all-in-one printers to conserve electricity. All computers and monitors will utilize power management features to save electricity.*

*Chris Jones and Associates, LLC office policies are in place asking that the “plug load” be reduced whenever possible and encourage the use of natural light by turning off unneeded lighting. We will use rechargeable batteries for all small electronics (wireless keyboard, wireless mouse, 4G LTE hotspot)*

*We will also schedule an energy audit with our local electricity supplier (Pepco).*

**Renewable Energy**

*Chris Jones and Associates, LLC will install solar LED walkway lights that are set on a timer not only to be more sustainable but to reduce light pollution, as well.*

*We aim to have 90% of our annual business-related electricity use come from solar power. Our goal is to use solar energy to provide at least 80% of the electricity supply, to increase by 2% each year until reaching 90%.*

## Transportation

**Employee Commute/Customer Travel**

*Utilizing the calculator on [watershedclimate.com](http://watershedclimate.com), our intended scenario translates to a 6.5% improvement in tCO2e pollution, including reducing workplace emissions by 83% when implementing virtual-only work.*

*According to the [Cool Climate Network](#) calculator on the University of California, Berkeley website, transitioning to 100% virtual meetings will save 2 tons of CO2 per year concerning employee commuting, assuming a baseline of 5000 average miles driven per year at 25 miles per gallon.*

*As such, Chris Jones and Associates, LLC will encourage the use of telehealth and virtual video and audio meeting solutions to prevent greenhouse gas emissions from unnecessary motor vehicle travel.*

## Water

**Water Conservation**

*Chris Jones and Associates, LLC commits to water conservation using a low-flow toilet and low-flow faucet. Implementing these measures should save 10 gallons of water per day.*



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

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