

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.

Town of Riverdale Park



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Management and Leadership

Environmental Policy Statement

The Town of Riverdale Park Mayor and Council have established a vision and commitment to support Riverdale Park's sustainability through <u>Resolution</u> <u>2018-R-01</u>.

Environmental Team

The Riverdale Park Sustainability Committee (RPSC/Green Team) meets regularly to support sustainable events in Town. RPSC also prepares the recrtification application for the Town's Sustainable Maryland Certification.

Environmentally Preferable Purchasing

The Town of Riverdale Park Mayor and Council have established a Sustainable Purchasing policy through the adoption of <u>Resolution 2014-R-07</u>.

Environmental Restoration or Community Environmental Projects

Each year the Town of Riverdale Park partners with the Anacostia Watershed Society to hold an Earth Day Community Clean-up. The event is held on a Saturday in April and the location is chosen based on need. This year's event is scheduled for April 22, 2023. The FY2023 Approved Operating and Capital Improvement Budget also includes the installation of a Pollinator Garden and ongoing maintenance of the Town's Community Garden (and Food Forest).

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Energy Efficiency

The Town has retrofitted 119 streetlights to LED; 42 of them have been converted to a light temperature of 3000 Kelvins, the Town's new standard, from 5500 Kelvins. LED streetlights represent 81 percent of the total 147 streetlights owned and managed by the Town. Funds are allocated annually to continue the conversion of streetlights to LED, and from 5500 Kelvins to 3000 Kelvins. The Town's inventory of streetlights will increase with new streetlight installations and ownership of streetlights in Riverdale Park Station.

Transportation

Efficient Fleet Vehicles

The Town recently purchased two electric vehicles, Ford Mustang Mach-Es with a range of 200+ miles, for the Neighborhood Services team in FY 2023. The Town also installed two vehicle charging stations in the Municipal Center (DPW building) to support the new vehicles.

Environmental Certification Programs, Awards, and Other Activities

Sustainable Maryland Certification

Riverdale Park is a Sustainable Maryland community. Sustainable Maryland is a certification program for municipalities in Maryland that want to go green, save money and take steps to sustain their quality of life over the long term. Sustainable Maryland is a collaborative effort between the <u>Environmental Finance Center (EFC)</u> at the University of Maryland and the <u>Maryland Municipal League</u> to replicate the success of the <u>Sustainable Jersey</u> initiative throughout the Mid-Atlantic States, beginning in Maryland.

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