

what color are you?

Downtown is undergoing a different kind of transformation these days as individuals and companies become serious about sustainability. People are finding that social responsibility is good corporate practice and surprisingly easy.

} **conserve energy** with little steps like turning off lights, installing compact fluorescent bulbs and powering down all of your gadgets like computers and stereos, even when they are not in use. Conserving energy, paper, water and other resources will cut waste and reduce your bills. Recycling, reusing, rethinking and renewing add to ways downtown can be a sustainable place.

} **recycling** is one of the easiest things you can do. We create more garbage, trash and municipal solid waste than ever before but many things being "trashed" can instead be reused or recycled. You can make a difference by using mugs and glasses instead of disposable paper or Styrofoam cups at work. Print only when you must and use both sides of the paper. Recycle cans, plastic bottles and cartridges in addition to paper. If your landlord does not provide a recycling service, consider hiring a private company that provides both document destruction and recycling capability. You'll preserve client confidentiality while providing an environmental service. greenhoustontx.gov



Doing your part for planet Earth doesn't have to be dull. Check out **Recycling Saturdays** at Discovery Green every Saturday from 10-2. Waste Management and the City of Houston have partnered with Discovery Green to provide a recycling location for paper, glass, plastic and cans. And on the first Saturday of each month, enjoy environmentally friendly product demos, artist workshops and hands-on activities. discoverygreen.com

Did you know? Recycling one aluminum can saves enough energy to run a computer for three hours. The average office worker uses 10,000 sheets of paper each year.



benefits of recycling:

REDUCES THE NEED FOR LAND FILLS AND INCINERATION. PREVENTS POLLUTION CAUSED BY THE MANUFACTURE OF PRODUCTS FROM VIRGIN MATERIALS. SAVES ENERGY. DECREASES GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS. CONSERVES NATURAL RESOURCES SUCH AS TIMBER, WATER AND MINERALS. HELPS SUSTAIN THE ENVIRONMENT FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS.



Some of your neighbors currently recycling include:

Discovery Green, Hilton Americas Hotel-Houston, Houston Center, Chevron, ExxonMobil, El Paso, City of Houston, Transwestern Commercial Services, Shell Oil Company, University of Houston-Downtown, Allen/Cullen Center, Chase Tower and the Bank of America Building.