

EXAMPLES OF SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES



ENERGY

- Upgrade to EnergyStar appliances or other energy efficient equipment
- Utilize a smart thermostat
- Install motion detecting lights
- Upgrade lights to LED
- Conduct energy audits
- Conduct seasonal preventative maintenance (changing air filters, HVAC tune-ups, changing flow of fans, etc)



WATER/ POLLUTION PREVENTION

- Implement water conservation policies
- Utilize low-flow, water efficient fixtures and weather-based irrigation controllers
- Utilize xeriscape or native landscaping
- Reduce fertilizer use to prevent runoff during rain events
- Conduct water-use audits
- Schedule regular maintenance (irrigation, plumbing, backflow prevention, etc.)
- Adopting best practices to keep pollutants out of creeks and streams (litter abatement, spill prevention, etc.)



TRANSPORTATION/ AIR QUALITY

- Encourage alternative transportation (biking, carpooling, etc)
- Offer work-from-home or hybrid schedule options
- Offer EV chargers for employees and customers
- Conduct routine maintenance on company vehicles
- Participate in Air North Texas initiatives
- Create idle reduction policies for company vehicles



WASTE/ MATERIAL MANAGEMENT

- Offer recycling receptacles for employees and customers
- Provide signage at trash and recycling receptacles to limit waste contamination
- Request deliveries or packages come in reduced packaging
- Establish an organics diversion program to separate and compost organic waste/ food scraps
- Encourage and utilize reusables (such as water bottles, mugs, etc)



WILDLIFE

- Utilize native and pollinator friendly plants in landscape
- Eliminate pesticide use
- Install bird friendly windows or decals to eliminate bird strikes
- Participate in Lights Out Texas during fall and spring bird migration



COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

- Utilize a policy that encourages purchasing locally
- Provide opportunities for employees to volunteer in the local community
- Support local non-profits
- Establish a Green Team within the company to promote sustainable initiatives
- Join networks or pursue certifications that promote environmentally responsible practices

