

Hendersonville Green Partnership Program Questionnaire

Commitment to Sustainability

1. Leadership and Responsibility

Are you open to appointing an individual, a group of employees, or forming a "Green Team" to spearhead environmental initiatives within your organization?

- Yes
- No

2. Ways to Promote Environmental Awareness

Which methods does your business currently use or plan to use to communicate its commitment to sustainability? (Check all that apply):

- Discuss eco-friendly initiatives during team meetings.
- Include environmental goals in employee performance reviews or onboarding materials.
- Highlight sustainability efforts on your website, social media, or advertising.
- Share regular tips or updates about reducing waste in internal communications.
- Set up a system for employees to propose new conservation ideas.
- Create a visible display (e.g., a digital dashboard or bulletin board) to showcase green practices.
- Engage property managers to improve sustainability practices (if renting/leasing).
- Track and analyze energy, water, and waste metrics for ongoing improvement.

3. Community Engagement

How does your business connect with the local community on environmental issues? (Check all that apply):

- Participate in or seek certifications through environmental programs (e.g., LEED, state-specific green certifications).
- Develop a public environmental policy or mission statement.
- Donate usable goods to local nonprofits or organizations.
- Sponsor or participate in community clean-up or conservation events.
- Provide time or incentives for employees to volunteer in eco-friendly initiatives.
- Advocate for sustainable practices to other local businesses.
- Other (please describe):

Waste Reduction and Recycling

1. Waste Management Assessment

Has your business reviewed waste generation and management practices in the past year?

- Yes
- No

2. Recycling and Recovery Efforts

What materials does your business recycle or repurpose? (Check all that apply):

- Paper and cardboard
- Glass
- Plastics
- Metals (e.g., aluminum, steel)
- Electronics (e.g., computers, monitors)
- Food waste (e.g., composting programs)
- Other (please specify):

3. Waste Minimization Strategies

What steps does your organization take to minimize waste? (Check all that apply):

- Encourage digital communication to reduce paper usage.
- Utilize reusable or refillable containers for supplies.
- Purchase products with minimal or recyclable packaging.
- Donate excess materials or products rather than discarding them.
- Implement a system for reusing office supplies or packaging materials.
- Other (please specify):

Water Conservation

1. Water-Saving Fixtures

Does your facility have water-efficient fixtures installed? (Check all that apply):

- Low-flow faucets and showerheads.
- Water-efficient toilets or urinals.
- Automatic shut-off systems for faucets or hoses.

2. Irrigation and Landscaping

What water-saving measures are implemented in your landscaping practices? (Check all that apply):

- Use native, drought-resistant plants.
- Collect rainwater or use reclaimed water for irrigation.
- Install drip irrigation or similar systems to minimize water use.
- Use mulch to retain soil moisture and reduce water evaporation.

3. Additional Water Conservation Actions

- Regularly inspect for and repair leaks.
- Follow a cleaning schedule that minimizes water usage.
- Educate staff on water-saving techniques.
- Other (please describe)

Energy Efficiency

1. Energy Audit

Has your organization conducted an energy audit within the past three years?

- Yes (Date: ____)
- No

2. Energy Efficiency Practices

What energy-saving actions has your organization implemented? (Check all that apply):

- Upgraded to Energy Star-rated appliances or equipment.
- Installed LED lighting or other energy-efficient bulbs.
- Set thermostats to energy-saving temperatures.
- Integrated sensors or timers for lighting and HVAC systems.
- Encouraged alternative commuting options (e.g., biking, carpooling, transit).
- Other (please describe):

3. Renewable Energy

Does your business use or plan to adopt renewable energy sources? (Check all that apply):

- Solar panels
- Wind energy

- Purchase of renewable energy credits
- Other (please specify):

Declaration

I, **[Name]**, declare that the information provided in this questionnaire accurately reflects our organization's commitment to sustainability. We strive to reduce our environmental impact and comply with applicable environmental regulations.

Signature:

Date (MM/DD/YYYY):