



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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Retail
Member since February 2016

Management and Leadership

Environmental Team

Wawa formed a Strategic Green Team in 2008 and its members meet once a month. The Green Team promotes sustainability throughout the company. It is a group of cross-functional, passionate, and engaged associates who represent various functional departments throughout Wawa. The team is in place to engage customers, associates, and vendor partners to drive the effort of sustainability. Projects and ideas are discussed at this meeting to make our business more sustainable and cost-effective.

Environmentally Preferable Products and Services

The plastic bags that we use for in-store purchases contain 25% recycled material, and we source many other products that are made from recycled content. We offer plastic bag recycling for our customers at every store. Customers can purchase reusable bags, reusable cups, and reusable straws in all our stores to encourage customers to reuse as much as possible.

Waste

Solid Waste Reduction and Reuse

In 2016, we replaced all our coffee urns and metal paddles in every store with new, more efficient coffee urns and metal paddles. With over 700 stores and multiple coffee urns and metal paddles in every store we knew we had to do the

right thing and recycle the items. The weight of the coffee urns and metal paddles that we recycled and diverted from the landfill was 164,648 pounds.

In 2013, Wawa launched the Wawa Share Food Donation Program in select stores. Currently more than 90% of Wawa stores participate in the program. 4.9 million pounds of unsold food items are donated annually to local food pantries through the program.

Recycling

In 2017, in addition to our in-store recycling program and store front recycling program for customers, we began offering new and improved recycling at the fuel courts. This is an important step forward in our trash and recycling goals and makes it more convenient for our customers to recycle. In 2019, customers recycled over 18,600 tons of cans, plastics, and bottles through our store front recycling program. In 2019, Wawa recycled over 15,100 tons of cardboard.

Composting

Wawa has a coffee grounds recycling program in select stores since 2017 which reduces waste to landfill. We've recycled over 10,000 tons of coffee grounds since inception of the program. We currently have 129 stores on the program (9 Wawa Stores in MD). Coffee grounds and filters are collected from our stores and made into compost and soil.

Energy

Energy Efficiency

Wawa continues to upgrade the exterior parking lot and site lights to LED at its Maryland stores. Our store remodel program only installs LED interior lighting. This has helped Wawa reduce its electricity use and carbon footprint significantly in Maryland and the other states we operate. Every store is retrofitted for LED lights in the cooler/freezer display doors which have saved Wawa on average \$2,000 per store per year and every store has motion sensors installed as well.

Transportation

Employee Commute/Customer Travel

Wawa began hosting electric vehicle charging stations in 2017. Currently, Wawa hosts 38 electric charging stations, including 32 Tesla Supercharger Sites and 6 CCS & CHAdeMO stations.

Efficient Business Travel

2012 was the first year Wawa began tracking its business travel carbon footprint. Since 2012, our business travel carbon footprint has decreased every year even though we continue to grow as a company.

Business Travel Carbon Footprint:

2012: 966 million metric tons of carbon dioxide

2013: 712 million metric tons of carbon dioxide

2014: 468 million metric tons of carbon dioxide

Water

Water Conservation

In our Wawa stores, we use water efficient equipment and fixtures. Some examples include 96% thermal efficient gas water heaters, sensor faucets and high efficiency sensor urinals and lavatories. We also use drip irrigation to save water in planting beds.

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