



Green Initiatives

Protecting Our Environment

Working together as ONE for a better future.

Both nationally and locally, USI is committed to supporting an eco-friendly and sustainable environment through USI Green, a series of corporate initiatives focused on recycling programs, beautification projects, and actions to lower our carbon footprint. Depending on office locations, some of our progress includes:

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Restore

Helping to minimize our ecological footprint by reducing, reusing, recycling, and restoring.

- Installing water filtration to cut down on bottled water usage
- Defaulting all printers to double sided printing to reduce paper
- Donating used furniture to reduce waste
- Participating in Keurig Grounds to Grow On™ coffee pod recycling
- Issuing reusable mugs to minimize use of paper and styrofoam
- E-Delivery of policy forms, presentations and vendor invoices to reduce paper
- Recycling used toner cartridges to reduce landfill

Sustainable Purchasing

Making smarter purchasing decisions to benefit our environment without compromising quality.

- Partnering with vendors who have sustainability programs in place
- Printing business cards on recycled paper
- Purchasing recycled products when possible

Energy Conservation

Reducing our overall energy consumption.

- LEED certification in more of our offices
- Powering down machines when not in use
- Maximizing natural light in office design
- Energy efficient and motion sensor lighting to reduce electricity
- Video/teleconferencing to decrease air and car travel and reduce our carbon footprint

Electronics Stewardship

Ongoing efforts to improve electricity consumption and reduce electronics waste.

- Using multi-purpose machines for copying, scanning, faxing and printing
- Investing in more efficient equipment such as thin clients and tablets
- Reusing and recycling electronics to prevent valuable materials from going into the waste stream

USI Green by the Numbers

- 7,209,997** Trees preserved by recycling in 2019
- 75%** Of each coffee pod consumed in participating offices converted to compost
- 7,000** Gallons of water saved for every one ton of recycled paper used
- 859,357** Pounds of paper securely shredded and recycled in 2019
- 38%** Estimated annual energy savings using occupancy sensor lighting in private offices
- 500,000+** Disposable cups will be eliminated at USI by using reusable water bottles per year
- 4,193,485** Pieces of paper saved per year by using e-delivery
- 11,000** Trees planted in National Parks across the US through our partnership with One Tree Planted

For more information, on USI's sustainability and community investment, please visit www.usi.com.

Think "Green" before you print.