



The Hilton Garden Inn Austin Downtown is committed to **sustainability**, and we support the Hilton Hotels Corporation's goals of:

- Reducing waste by 20%
- Reducing energy consumption by 20%
- Reducing water consumption by 10%
- Reducing Carbon Dioxide emissions by 20%
- ... with a target date of 2014

The Hilton Garden Inn Austin Downtown's property-specific initiatives include:

Reducing waste by recycling:

- Our department efforts include recycling cardboard, paper, cooking oil, tubular light bulbs, ink jet printer cartridges, batteries, plastic, glass and aluminum
- We also provide paper, instead of plastic, to-go cups in our food and beverage outlets, and food condiments served in containers rather than individual packets
- We offer conference groups the option of offering water stations instead of bottled water
- Registration cards are printed on recycled paper and uses vegetable-based inks
- Printers/copies are set to duplex allowing printing on both sides, and standby settings are set to allow equipment to reduce energy consumption

Reducing energy consumption:

- All lights are turned off in guestrooms when not occupied, and HVAC is turned to 72 degrees.
- All HVAC systems are given annual reviews and updates to avoid energy waste, and filters are changed every month.

Reducing water consumption:

- Guests may choose to help conserve water by indicating that they want their towels laundered intermittently. We also give the guests the option of replacing bed sheets every three or four days for guests who stay with us longer than three days, although guests may request more frequent changes. And, all of our water faucets and shower heads have water-restricting devices, yet providing satisfactory water pressure for our guests' comfort.

Reducing our carbon footprint:

- Our hotel strives to buy locally, thereby reducing transportation distance, energy usage and emissions.
- In addition, our team members are encouraged to ride Capital Metro's bus or train system, which provides nearby transfer locations for north and northwest areas.

Hilton Garden Inn Austin Downtown focuses on five key pillars: Sleep Deep, Work Smart, Eat Well, Stay Fit and Treat Yourself. Through our sustainability efforts, we look forward to ensuring that future guests have a world that allows us to enjoy these fundamentals, due to our current commitment to ecological responsibility.