### Sheraton Austin Sustainability Program



# Energy Savings and Efficiency

- Programmable, motion sensor thermostats in all rooms
- Make a Green Choice Program: Save enough electricity to run a laptop for 10 hours and 25,000 BTUs of natural gas for each participating night
- All guest rooms & guest hallways lit with compact fluorescent bulbs.
- · Public and office spaces with CFL or reduced lighting
- HVAC regularly serviced for peak efficiency and all air handling and water pumping equipment regulated with variable frequency drives to maximize efficiency
- Hot water heat exchanger for indoor/outdoor pool
- Chilled water system for temperature regulation
- Energy Misers on all vending machines
- Dyson Hand Dryers in Public Restrooms: Use 70% less energy than hot air hand dryers
- Programmable thermostats in meeting rooms with HVAC timing based on when rooms are occupied
- LED exit sign and roof top lighting

#### Waste Reduction & Diversion: We've cut our landfill waste by 50% since June.

- Single stream recycling of all hard plastics, glass, metals, cardboard, office paper in public space, banquets, meetings, restaurant, bar, concierge lounge
- Composting of all food and paper in public space, banquets, meetings, restaurant, bar, concierge lounge
- · Pallet & fluorescent bulb recycling
- Styrofoam-free hotel
- Electronic Menus (E-menus) for catering events
- Substitutes for bottled water available
- Tork paper towels and napkins made from 100% recycled fiber
- Toilet paper made from 20% recycled fiber
- 15% office paper conservation goal in 2010

# Water Conservation

- Make a Green Choice Program: Save 40 gallons of water for each participating night.
- New efficient landscaping sprinklers
- Smart faucets in public restrooms

# **Environmentally Friendly Products & Maintenance**

- Make a Green Choice Program: Save 7oz. chemicals for each participating night.
- Low VOC paints
- Live plants in lobby to increase interior air quality
- Green Seal, Triclosan-free soaps in restrooms
- Sustainable restaurant and banquet menu options new in 2011

## **Hotel Programs & Accreditations**

- Waste SMART certified by City of Austin
- Energy Star Certified
- Keep Austin Beautiful Adopt-a-Creek Partner
- Sheraton Austin Marketplace quarterly exchange of gently used clothing and household items from our associates to our associates
- Competitor in EPA's first National Building Competition