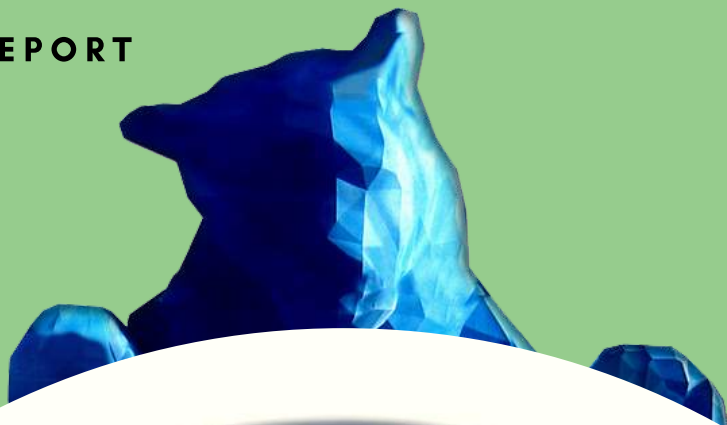


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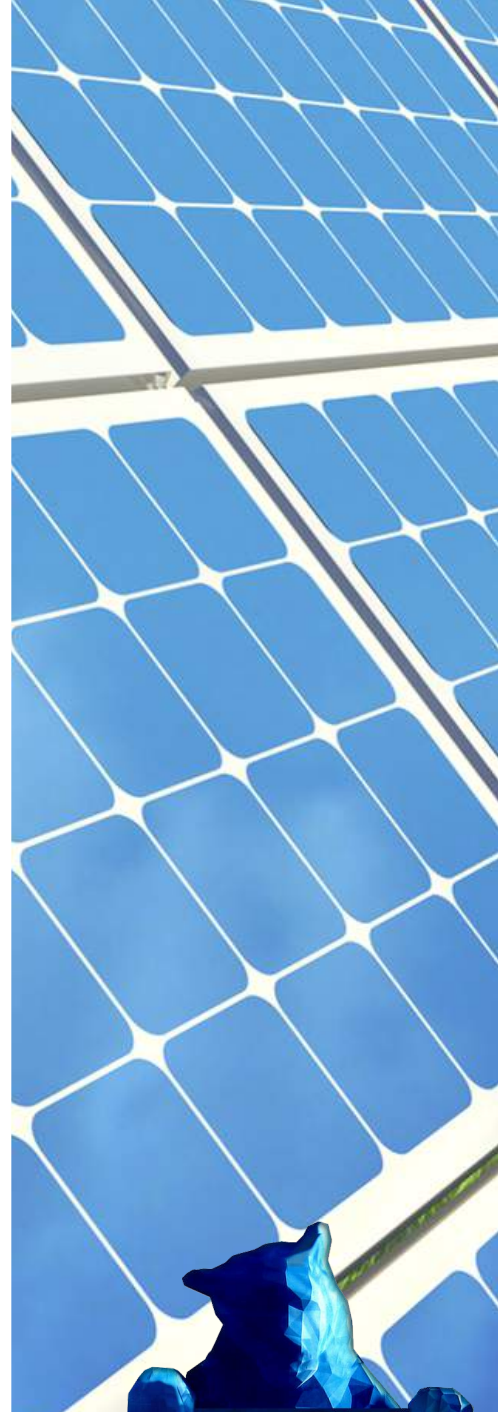
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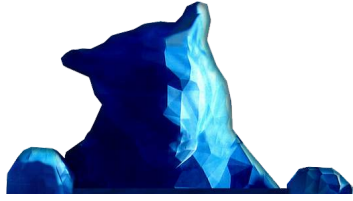
SUSTAINABILITY CERTIFICATIONS

The CCC believes in using certifications as both a tool and guide in developing and implementing our sustainability initiatives. Maintaining these certifications demonstrates an on-going commitment to sustainability, continual improvement, and transparency of our sustainability efforts.

- LEED Existing Building: Operations and Maintenance Level GOLD
- ASTM/APEX Sustainable Event Venue – Level Two
- ISO Standard 14001: Environmental Management System
- The CDPHE Colorado Environmental Leadership Program (ELP) – Gold



ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY



The Colorado Convention Center and SMG commit to operations which reduce our environmental impact, focus on conserving resources, and utilizing products, technologies, and methods which continually improve in these efforts. Our sustainable initiatives focus in the areas of: Waste Reduction and Diversion; Energy Conservation; Water Quality and Consumption; Air Quality; Procurement; and Community.

LINDSAY ARELL

Sustainability Manager



RESOURCE MANAGEMENT: WASTE

Our comprehensive waste management program focuses on identifying, reducing, and diverting the various waste streams created by venue operations, attendees, and clients.

Components of this plan include a facility Waste Audit, as well as methods to reduce the amount of waste being created, manage inevitable waste, and divert waste from landfill by means of reuse, repurposing, recycling, and composting. We were happy to add the collection of soft plastics to our program for 2017.

Recycling: 667,058 lbs

Plastic Bales: 12,580 lbs

Compost: 467,240 lbs

Landfill: 1,248,853 lbs

Paper: 4,874 lbs *

Metal: 33,860 lbs

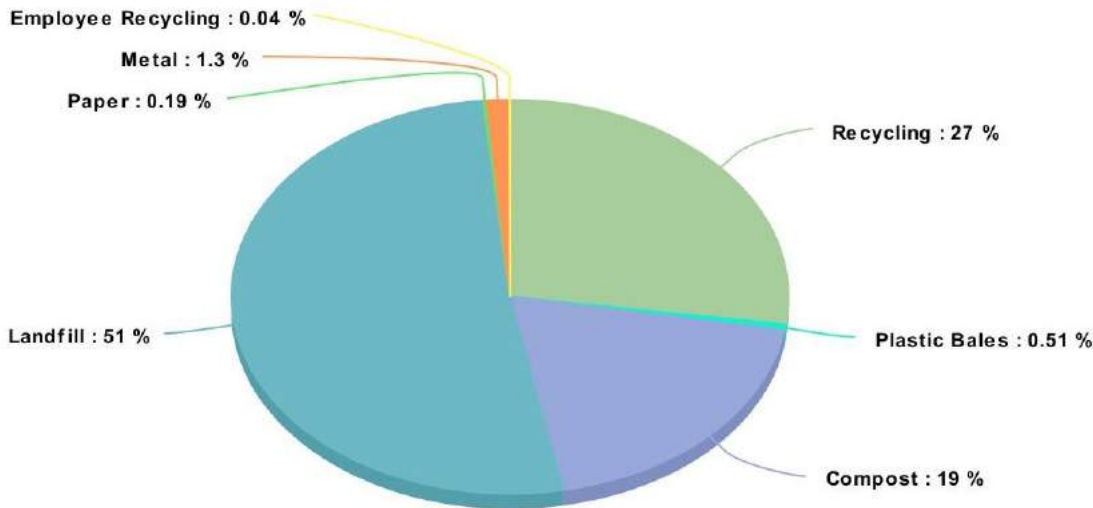
RAFT Donations: 430 cu ft of material

Employee Electronic Recycling: 1,174 lbs

COMPOST		LANDFILL		RECYCLE	
	ALL FOOD ITEMS, COFFEE GROUNDS				
	PAPER TOWELS, NAPKINS		PLASTIC BAGS		CLEAN CARDBOARD
	CARDBOARD		PLASTIC UTENSILS		PLASTIC BOTTLES
	COMPOSTABLE UTENSILS, PLATES, BOWLS		STYROFOAM		ALUMINUM
	TEA BAGS		RUBBER GLOVES		GLASS BOTTLES
	BONES		CHIP BAGS		TIN CANS
	WAX COATED CUPS		CANDY WRAPPERS		PLASTIC 1-6
			PLASTIC WRAP		PAPER, NEWSPAPER, MAGAZINES



RESOURCE MANAGEMENT: WASTE (CONTD)



Recycling Plastic Bales Compost Landfill Paper Metal
Employee Recycling

Total Waste: 2,441, 309 lbs

Total Diverted: 1,192,456 lbs

Diversion Rate: 49%

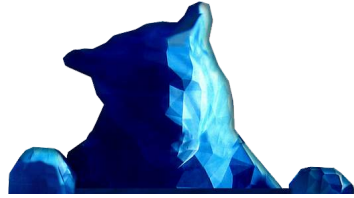


**4,874 LBS OF
PAPER RECYCLED =**

- *41 Trees Saved*
- *17,080 Gallons of Water Saved*
- *10,004 Kw of Energy Saved*



RESOURCE WASTE MANAGEMENT: ENERGY



Our electrical department works hard to reduce energy consumption through mindful scheduling, equipment retrofits and upgrades, and preventative maintenance.

2017 retrofit projects included:

- 300, 400, 500 meeting rooms and corridors to LED. Savings of 110,073.6 kWh per year.
- Parking garage and helix to LED. Savings of 212,241.12 kWh per year.
- AB&C Lobbies, corridors and 200 & 600 cross corridors. Savings of 178,214.4 kWh per year.
- Column lights on Stout St. Savings of 31,186.5 kWh per year.
- The Grand Concourse. Savings of 57,657.6 kWh per year.
- Champa side loading dock. Savings of 99,503.04 kWh per year.



COMMUNITY

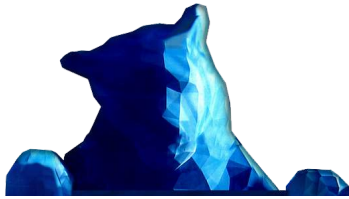
The Colorado Convention Center believes in being a good member of our community and supports and encourages our employees to do the same. In 2017, through SMG sponsored opportunities, employees Volunteered nearly 300 hours over the year at 10 events throughout the year:

Cayleb's Kindred, 9 Health Fair, Blue Tree painting, Broncos Special Olympics, Platte River Clean Up, Civic Center Independence Eve, Habitat for Humanity, Project Homeless Connect, Cystic Fibrosis, Salvation Army Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinners.





STAFF ENGAGEMENT: CLIMB



Building upon the success of our employee Wellness program, in 2017 the CCC created the CLIMB program which incorporates all engagement initiatives and programs. Many of these events not only challenged the employees that participated, but also supported other causes from Cystic Fibrosis, to saving gorillas. We have around 100 employees participate regularly.



CLIMB

C - Community outreach through volunteer programs

L - Leadership in Sustainability programs and in our responsibility to the environment

I - Identify and incorporate life safety practices in our workplace

M- Making employee health a priority by reinforcing physical, mental, and emotional wellness

B - Build a work environment that appreciates and acknowledges Employees who provide great customer service, reinforce CCC values, and make strong team builders

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STAFF ENGAGEMENT: SUSTAINABILITY

- Earth Day Green Week Challenge had 36 employee participants who committed to sustainable actions for the year.
- Awarded (4) Champion for the Environment Awards to convention center employees for their continued leadership in our programs.



EMPLOYEE E-WASTE RECYCLING EVENT

For the second year, SMG sponsored an employee E-Waste Recycling program. For a week, employees were given the opportunity to bring in old electronics to be recycled responsibly by BlueStar Recycling. Many employees took advantage of this no-cost opportunity, resulting in 1,174 lbs of various electronics being recycled. For 2017, we add the opportunity for paper shredding through Bayaud.



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For additional information regarding this report and/or our initiatives at the CCC, please contact our Sustainability Manager, Lindsay Arell at larell@denverconvention.com or visit our website at: www.denverconvention.com/about-sustainability

