

# WILL COUNTY OPERATIONS GREEN ACTION PLAN

## Introduction

For the past several years, personnel of the County have undertaken a broad array of initiatives meant to make departmental operations “Green”. Over the next twelve months, personnel of participating County Departments commit (may vary in some situations) to identifying and implementing, through appropriate ways and means, the following additional action steps meant to achieve further measurable progress. Please send suggestions on ways to improve the Green Action Plan to [dolson@willcountygreen.com](mailto:dolson@willcountygreen.com) or [tpanagio@willcountyllinois.com](mailto:tpanagio@willcountyllinois.com) . Thank you.

## Energy Efficiency

- At the end of each day, all computers, monitors, printers, copiers & coffee makers will be turned off.
- Last one out turns off all lights on all floors.
- Digital thermostats & restroom motion sensors will be installed as the budget allows.
- Window blinds or curtains will be adjusted to help office temperature control.
- Replace lighting with energy efficient lighting wherever practical and as the budget allows.
- Install bike racks wherever practical and as the budget allows.
- Encourage use of Public Transportation and Carpooling.
- Walk to County Office Buildings whenever possible.
- Use Stairs instead of elevators whenever possible.
- Apply for LEED Certification for the County Office Building, other buildings.



## Recycling

- Recycling bins for drink containers & plastic bags will be added on each floor.
- Employ the use of worm bins for food recycling whenever practical.

## Waste Reduction/Conservation

- Network copiers will be used instead of desk printers whenever possible.
- Whenever possible, documents will be copied using both sides of each page.
- Electronic transfer of documents will be utilized whenever possible.
- Fax labels, instead of cover sheets will be developed and utilized.
- Establish Prairie Plants in place of grass wherever practical.
- Replace paper towels with hand dryers in all locations as the budget allows.

***OUR CHILDREN'S CHILDREN***

***THANK YOU!***