



## Committee of the Environment

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# Purcellville Committee of the Environment

## Mission

- Promote, practice, and advance environmental stewardship activities throughout Purcellville.

## Vision

- Establish partnerships with Purcellville citizens, business owners, and other stakeholders to plan and implement measurable environmentally responsible and sustainable initiatives

## Strategic Imperatives

- **Carbon Footprint Reduction** - Encourage renewable energy utilization and energy conservation across town owned assets, and residential and business locations
- **Waste Stream Management and Reduction** - Promote recycling (Plastics, Paper, Oil, etc.), and the environmentally responsible disposition of electronic (cellphones, computers, etc.) and hazardous (mercury light bulbs, lead pain, etc.) waste
- **Water Conservation and Protection** - Enable rain water collection and use, and implement proactive measures to prevent hazardous waste from entering waterways and streams
- **Land Preservation and Sustainability** - Support community gardening, tree planting, nature preserves, and farming

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## Key Initiatives

- Paint Purcellville Green - Annual Event
- Rain Barrel Program - Residential, Commercial, and Municipal
- LED lighting, power strips and energy sensors - Develop and implement an energy reduction and "phantom load" mitigation program for Town facilities
- Energy audit of town owned assets to identify conservation and carbon footprint reduction opportunities and determine cost/ROI of renewable energy solutions
- Community Gardening and Nature Preserve
- Electronic Waste and Hazardous Waste (i.e. batteries and pharmaceuticals) disposition and recycling
- Recycling - Plastic free Purcellville - Partner with our disposal service provider to determine what measurement system can be put in place to report of Purcellville performance
- Workshops and education on environmental sustainability - "Did You Know?" Series