



The Fairmont Hotel Vancouver is recognized as a leader with environmental initiatives, and the Hotel Association of Canada awarded our property a **4 Green Key Eco-Rating**¹, making it a certified ECOaccommodation. Here are some examples of how we operate for sustainability...

Waste Management:

The Fairmont Hotel Vancouver has dramatically reduced its impact on the environment through its recycling program. More than 80% of our original waste stream is now recycled or re-used including our wet kitchen waste, batteries, fluorescent lamps, paper and cardboard etc.

Energy Management

The Fairmont Hotel Vancouver spent \$3.5 million on a physical plant upgrade in 1999 / 2000 resulting in a decrease of kilowatt-hours consumption from 11,000,000 to 8,000,000 annually. From November of 1999 to February 2006 cumulative energy savings have reached \$2.6 million. The total equivalent CO₂ reduction since implementing the physical plant upgrade has amounted to 7,028 tonnes, which is the equivalent of planting 3,585 acres of trees or removing 1,427 cars from the road.

Organic Recycling

The organic recycling program at Fairmont Hotel Vancouver has removed about 60 to 70% by weight from our waste stream. This has dramatically reduced the number of times we have the compactor taken to the landfill site. Our recycled organic waste, which is turned into potting soil, is used by our gardening contractor in our flowerbeds.

Colleague Involvement

The Fairmont Green Partnership program is a part of the staff, guest, and business culture at The Fairmont Hotel Vancouver. An environmental committee continuously takes steps towards sustainability. In an effort to take the use of compact fluorescent lamps from the Hotel to home, the BC region, in co-operation with BC Hydro, came up with a program that rewarded hotel employees with compact fluorescent lamps for energy saving ideas.

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¹ A hotel that has taken considerable strides to identify environmental impacts and implement policies and programs to minimize its ecological footprint. A firm commitment to continual improvement has resulted in programs and actions that have shown effective results.



GREEN INITIATIVES

What does the Fairmont Green Partnership focus on?

In a word, "balance." Fairmont Hotels & Resorts believe in a sustainable, long-term approach to environmental stewardship. While our Fairmont Green Partnership program is multi-faceted, our four key goals are: 1.) Waste and energy reduction, 2.) Habitat protection, 3.) Colleague and guest learning and enrichment, and 4.) Community outreach.

BC Hydro Partnership

All five Fairmont Hotels & Resorts properties in the province of British Columbia have been designated as a BC Hydro "Certified Partner" in recognition of the Hotels' contribution to energy savings and environmental policies.

Community Outreach

*Fairmont **Adopt-a-Shelter** partners Fairmont properties with local shelters, and donates thousands of replaced or gently used items to those in need. This includes guest amenities such as soaps and shampoos, linens, and used furniture. Fairmont hotels across North America also redistribute food through involvement with local shelters, food banks, and soup kitchens.*

Purchasing

Where possible, Fairmont strives to purchase environmentally friendly ingredients, as well as product lines that focus on conserving natural resources, reduce waste by using recyclable packaging, and don't harm the biosphere (i.e. don't contain CFCs).

In 2005, Fairmont Hotels & Resorts purchased enough wind power to run all of our front desk reservation systems for a year. This will result in greenhouse gas reductions of almost 100 tonnes over the next year.