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1. Introduction

DCYF continued to make progress towards reducing its carbon footprint and getting to zero waste. All staff have pledged (both publicly and in writing) to “buy less, only what I need, buy green at sfapproved.org”. New samples of items appropriate for composting vs. recycling vs. waste have been affixed above the bins in the kitchen and meeting rooms.

2. Departmental Profile

To improve the well-being of San Francisco’s children and youth by ensuring the wise investment of resources in comprehensive services, community building, promoting public policies and creating strategic partnerships to achieve positive outcomes for children, youth and their families.

- Departmental Budget: \$125,000,000
- Number of Employees: 30
- Facilities: one leased office space
- Vehicles: none
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3. Departmental Carbon Footprint

The DCYF carbon footprint cannot be calculated due to a lack of information on energy and water consumption.

3a. Facilities – Energy & Water Use, & Reduction Measures

Electricity, natural gas and water consumption information is not available for this report.

3b. Fleet – Fuel Use & Reduction Measures

No vehicles owned by department. Staff use City vehicle pool and public transportation.

4. Other Sustainable Practices

All CRT monitors have been removed from the office (to virtual warehouse).

4a. Zero Waste

DCYF staff have all publicly pledged to:

- Buy less, only what they need
- Buy green at SFApproved.org
- Posted a written version of their signed pledge on their computer
- Attached sample items for each compost, recycling and landfill bins in the kitchens and meeting rooms

4b. Employee Commute

Most staff take public transportation to and from work. MUNI is used for daily operations (such as Site visit/grant monitoring activities).

4c. Green Purchasing

In February, 2012, both DCYF purchasing staff attended the Green Purchasing workshop at our office. Both purchasers have pledged to buy green products. We no longer purchase canned air.

4d. Information Technology

- ✓ DCYF only purchases EPEAT Gold standard IT products. Most servers are virtualized with a SAN storage infrastructure to minimize energy use and cooling requirements.
- ✓ All PCs and monitors are labeled with "energy conservation reminder – turn off when not in use".
- ✓ All PC's automatically to go into hibernation or standby mode after 20 minutes of inactivity
- ✓ Obsolete servers have been replaced or consolidated with new EPEAT Gold standard blade servers

4e. Carbon Sequestration / Urban Forest

Please refer to the Dept. of Real Estate Google Doc for this data.

5. Community Wide Impact

No change from previous year.

Appendices

Appendix A
Green Purchasing Scorecard