

We asked ISCPA members for their Sustainability Tips at our 2011 Annual Business Meeting; here are their responses:

Have rechargeable batteries available at the office to use for computer keyboards and mouses
Cheryl McNeil, CPA, Thornton Oliver Keller

Sustainability: only serve local grown/made foods/products @ CPE/meetings. Think "farm to Table" by local producers
Shannon Stith, CPA, Boise Inc.

I have put a recycling box next to my desk. I find that I am now recycling much more from when I was using the Department's receptacle down the hall
Paul Bahnson, PhD, CPA, Boise State University

Sustainability: Live responsible – consumption based on necessity
Buy local products
Recycling
Plan for business growth
Cara Newhouse, CPA, Lohman Accounting

Using virtual networks to access client data online that will save paper costs and much wasted travel time
Farrell Steiner, CPA, Searle Hart & Associates, PLLC

Computer monitors are more damaging/pollutant to the environment than paper. Electronic waste next big issue? Recycle idea – use a water glass vs. plastic water bottle. Glad to see we did at meeting
Angella Eckert, Controller, MarkMonitor

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Maureen Holman, CPA, Jordan & Company

Reuse nametags
Jason Peery, CPA, Grow Rasmussen LLP

Save power – save money on electric bill. Apply for Idaho Powers' summer air conditioning credit program. Idaho Power can interrupt A/C operation very briefly once or twice per month - \$21 credit
Patricia Davis, CPA

Forgo plastic water bottles in favor of a "permanent" aluminum/steel for water cup. Take it with you and refill!
Darren Kyle, CPA, Valley Food Service, Inc.

I have a drawer of old washcloths and towels to use instead of paper towels
LeAnn Sannes, CPA, EideBailly

Backyard chickens to avoid pesticides fertilize yard and great healthy eggs, also fun pets.
Electronic signatures and electronic records retention for JE's, reconciliations, etc.
Jarmila Cary, Accounting Mgr, United Water Idaho

Others:

Recycle everything. I service my family's vehicles and every time I replace a metal part, I take the worn out part to a steel recycler instead of throwing it away. They actually pay just enough for steel to pay the gas to get there!

Employers promoting riding a bicycle to work. In Arizona, the State paid employees a small token bonus for riding instead of driving.

Kerry Dunn kerrydaz@gmail.com

Allow scholarship donation @ time of renewal as an add-on or allow donating electronically through website

Shannon Stith

Pay bills online; go paperless at home and at work

Alexis Owen, Student, BSU

Run all errands to and from downtown at the same time. Reduce gas by growing my own food.

We have a recycle box in our kitchen and have a family competition as to who can recycle the most colorful item

Gwynne Lethcoe, ISCPA

More classes in SE Idaho so we do not use so much fuel

Bottled water is becoming very popular and many firms are buying it by the case, however, water from the tap made available in a pitcher is just as good and saves on the disposal of the plastic bottles

Larry Rigby, Board Member