



SUSTAINABILITY POLICY

Vision

The Edmonton Convention Centre's sustainability promise reflects the four pillars sustainability: economy, ecology, society and culture. As a public assembly facility, we facilitate the gathering of people, the sharing of ideas and creation of community connections in a manner that supports our corporate responsibility to the environment. We support the development of the meetings industry in Edmonton by connecting our ecological and cultural history with a future vision of convention centres as a sustainable, community owned asset.

Goal

The Edmonton Convention Centre (ECC) is committed to operating in an environmentally responsible and sustainable manner. We reduce our environmental footprint through ongoing assessment and improvement of our facility's performance, while continuing to meet and exceed the needs of our clients and stakeholders.

Culture

Enhance awareness of our commitment to operating sustainably amongst all staff. Sustainability is one of ECC's "5-Star Service Values" staff are trained in during onboarding orientation. The employee Sustainability Committee is in place to share education on the environmental impacts in the workplace and create a calendar of sustainability projects throughout the year.

Client and service partners

Set annual targets for increasing the number of Sustainable Meetings, event-specific sustainability consultation, collateral materials, sustainable meeting tool kits and customized reporting. Ensure suppliers and contractors are aware of our sustainability strategy and environmental policies, encouraging their involvement and working in partnership to reduce our collective environmental impact.

Waste, water and energy

Maximize diversion of materials from city landfill while integrating waste minimization efforts. Conserve natural resources by ensuring responsible energy and water use and introduction of reduction plans. Results are monitored throughout the year and publicly reported annually in ECC's Sustainability Report Card.

Procurement

Source responsibly and evaluate the impact of our purchases at every stage, choosing sustainable alternatives wherever possible.

Communications

Maintain and promote written policies and guidelines in support of our sustainability strategy. Provide accurate audit reports on our environmental performance and share best practices across the company, with clients and other stakeholders.

Community

Establish stakeholder partnerships that support the four pillars of sustainability while leveraging our ability to contribute to the local community through eco-tours and education, waste diversion, local food, surplus donations and corporate social responsibility.

In 2019, the Edmonton Convention Centre is dedicated to ensuring that our facility operates with an elevated duty of care to the environment while providing the exceptional quality of service expected by our clients and guests.

Richard Wong, General Manager, Edmonton Convention Centre

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