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Greening Your Office

...one tip at a time!

We care about the environment and we know you do too. Your office is a great place to make little changes that make a big difference. Here are some ideas to help you do just that. Provided monthly by R.E.A.P.S., we hope they inspire you to create change!

GREEN TIP #99:
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Green Washrooms

Washrooms in the work place can deceptively use energy and resources because they are only used for short periods of time. The lights in the wash-room may stay on all night and day without anyone noticing. To solve this, can the lights to motion sensors or timers. This will reduce the amount of electricity used in the office.

Washrooms tend to use large volumes of water. Installing low flow taps and toilets will save some water. You can also put a brick into the toilet tank so each time it is flushed, it will use less water. If you notice any leaks, please inform your employer to fix it. Even if a tap leaks at one drop per second, 25 litres of water is wasted; that adds up to 10000 litres a year (Environment Canada).



Single use paper towels are extremely wasteful. To make office washrooms more sustainable, use hand dryers or hand towels. If you must use paper towels, buy ones with recycled content; the toilet paper in the washrooms should also have recycled content. Don't forget to recycle the toilet paper roll.



Finally make sure to use biodegradable and eco-friendly soap because all of the water used goes back into the environment, Whatever we put into the water, may not be filtered out!

Do you have any questions or suggestions? Call or email us at green_solutions@reaps.org!

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