

Walmart Takes the Lead on Environmental Sustainability

At Walmart we believe being an efficient and profitable business goes hand-in-hand with being a good steward of the environment. Here are some examples of how we practice sustainability as a company:

- We are committed to being supplied 100 percent by renewable energy, creating zero waste, and selling products that sustain people and the environment.
- Walmart uses LED technology to light refrigerator cases and outdoor signage. LED lighting is up to 52 percent more energy efficient than fluorescent lighting.
- In 2008, Walmart launched efforts to purchased locally-grown produce in the U.S. This initiative can provide high-quality, low-priced produce while supporting farmers and the local economy. It also helps alleviate greenhouse gas emissions by reducing the number of miles the food must travel to reach the shelves.



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EVERY DAY IS EARTH DAY!

Customer Action Network Members, Earth Day is April 22, but you can celebrate all year long with tips you'll find in this newsletter. Encourage friends and family to recycle everyday and reduce their carbon footprint by developing easy habits like eating local produce and meats and carpooling to work or school. Browse our newsletter to learn more about how you can do your part to save the planet.

Sincerely,
Walmart Stores, Inc.

NEW IDEAS FOR YOUR OLD STUFF!



- 1 Use your morning coffee grinds as fertilizer for plants and herbs. While you're at it, refurbish an old window box with a fresh coat of paint and plant your garden in it!



- 3 If your old clothes are ripped or stained, use them as rags for cleaning your home or car. Remember to use earth-friendly, non-toxic cleaning supplies!



- 4 Don't throw away your old cereal boxes! Cut out one panel and use the remaining box to organize desk drawers, armoires and bureaus.

- 2 Reuse glass jars for storing odds and ends like loose change, office supplies, and spare nails. You can also save colorful glass bottles to create an eye-catching, decorative display in your bathroom or kitchen.



- 5 Feeling crafty? Save old magazines for clipping photos and phrases to make a scrapbook for your friends and family.



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Connecticut Walmart Stores to Offer Discount Check Cashing

Customers are now able to cash checks at all 33 Connecticut Walmart stores. A fee of one percent will be charged for all checks under \$300, with a \$3 charge for any check up to \$1,000, and a maximum fee of \$6. Any checks up to \$5,000 are able to be cashed. Check-cashing services at Walmart are available in 47 states. Walmart offers other financial services as well, including money orders, transfers, and pre-paid money cards that act as debit cards.



Walmart Foundation Gives over \$460 Million Nationwide

Walmart and the Walmart Foundation have given more than \$467 million in cash and in-kind donations in fiscal year 2010, an \$89 million increase over the previous year's giving. The Walmart Foundation funds initiatives focused on creating opportunities in education, workforce development, economic opportunity, sustainability, and health and wellness. See how New England states helped raise funds:

STATE	Cash and in-kind from Walmart and its Foundation*	Total cash, in-kind, and funds raised by customers and associates*
Massachusetts	\$6,933,984	\$8,008,415
Connecticut	\$2,064,633	\$2,535,930
Rhode Island	\$773,224	\$1,106,483
Maine	\$2,075,628	\$2,591,063
New Hampshire	\$3,102,852	\$3,605,918
Vermont	\$600,792	\$926,888

*Figures provided by Walmart Stores, Inc.

Supplier Spotlight

Tree-Free Greetings, a sustainable greeting card manufacturer located in West Swanzey, New Hampshire, was established in 1999 and has been supplying local Walmart stores with holiday cards and gift tags sets for six years. For the 2010 holiday season, Tree-Free plans to display cards, gift card, DVD, and CD holders, and plantable items. As the name indicates, Tree-Free Greetings does not use trees to make their products. Instead, sugarcane fibers and 100 percent postconsumer products help to make each batch of stationery and greeting cards sustainable. They use processed chlorine free paper made using hydro electricity, print with soy based inks, and even feature postconsumer recycled paper embedded with wildflower seeds.



"Our view of sustainable is 100 percent Eco, 100 percent U.S.A.," says Darren Mark, Vice President of Sales and Marketing at Tree-Free Greetings. "We are thrilled to see how Walmart has embraced eco-friendly products and look forward to continue to partner together to help the whole planet, and our part of New England, by producing here in the United States, creating jobs, and using sustainable materials." Tree Free is yet another responsible supplier of the products you want and expect at Walmart.

To learn more about their products, please visit www.tree-free.com

Real Estate News

North Adams, MA: On March 8, the North Adams Planning Board unanimously voted to approve the relocation of the Route 8 store to the old city gravel pit. The necessary permits have been obtained and the store is now waiting for approval from the Conservation Committee. The relocation will feature a full-service grocery store in addition to general merchandise.

Worcester, MA: Walmart is set to unveil a new, 24-hour Walmart off Route 146 in Worcester in the next few weeks. The sustainable store will be powered partially by wind turbines and is expected to create at least 700 jobs, most of them full time. In addition to the new store, the existing Sam's Club in the city's Greendale neighborhood will close and a new 137,000-square-foot Sam's will be built next to the new Walmart.

