

GOAL

At InterContinental Boston, our goal is to be a socially and environmentally responsible organization.

In partnership with our colleagues, suppliers, guests and the community at large, we will seek ways to conserve natural resources and protect the environment. Corporate responsibility is vital to our reputation. We demonstrate to our customers and the public that we are acting responsibly. We will be responsible across the “triple bottom line” – economic, social and environmental issues.

As we pursue our business growth and continue to develop our Corporate Responsibility practice, we aim to minimise our negative effects on the environment by:

- * Develop awareness and understanding of the relationship between the hotel's operation and the environment
- * Maintain a healthy and safe environment for all our guests and colleagues
- * Consider and respect the environment, and to seek to protect the environment in the course of our activities

ACTION

We are working toward more sustainable practices and have implemented the following green initiatives.

- * Biodegradable Guestroom Keys - Created by the CPI Card Group all guestroom keys are made from bioPVC, a compostable material which is proven to be biodegradable and environmentally safe
- * Linen and Towel Reuse Program - In an effort to conserve water locally and reduce the effects on our natural environment, we offer our guests the option to change or reuse linen and towels during their stay. Each guestroom is equipped with materials explaining how the program works
- * Environmentally-friendly Products - The Hotel has implemented the use of biodegradable products. These products are compostable in a commercial composting environment in approximately 45 days and include hot cups, hot cup sleeves, stirrers and to-go containers
- * Energy Saving Lighting - The Hotel is equipped with motion sensed energy saving lighting
- * Ink & Toner Cartridges – We return all available ink and toner cartridges to the manufacturer to be recycled
- * Card Board, White Paper, Magazine & Newspaper – All paper products are collected from all areas of the hotel and are recycled
- * Glass & Plastic – Glass and plastic bottles and packaging are collected from all areas of the hotel and are recycled
- * Used Guestroom Amenities – Shampoo, conditioner, shower gel and toilet paper rolls are collected by our housekeeping department. The products are picked up monthly and are distributed to local homeless shelters by **Help Now Inc.**
- * High Efficiency Plumbing Fixtures – Toilet flushes, taps & faucets, shower heads have all been fixed with aerators to restrict the water flow

Together, we can make a difference. Thank you for helping us reduce our impact on the environment!