

Draft Green Zone Business Pledge

The City of Commerce's Green Zone Action Plan encourages environmental and community awareness among its business community. The City has launched a Green Zone Business Pledge program to as an implement measure.

The Green Zone Action Plan encompasses a four-pronged framework to protect and promote public health and sound economic development:

- 1) Prevent toxic exposure to residents from new land uses;
- 2) Reduce the level of existing impacts through voluntary business collaborations;
- 3) Revitalize local economic opportunities that contribute to a vibrant economy and increased jobs; and
- 4) Reinvest in key boulevards to bolster business and quality of life opportunities

This pledge is part of the 2nd element of the Policy and gives local businesses the opportunity to be recognized by the City as leaders and role models for their commitment to reducing negative impacts to our environment through sustainable business practices. The City challenges every business to take the Green Zone Business Pledge as one step towards creating a more healthy and vibrant environment for the entire City of Commerce community.

Pledge:

We believe a successful business is dependent upon a healthy environment. We are actively working to show our environmental responsibility to our community by committing to the following objectives:

- To continue to comply with all applicable environmental regulations and to strive to exceed compliance
- To conserve energy, water and other natural resources
- To develop and implement practices that prevent and/or minimize pollution and waste
- To be an environmentally responsible business within our community
- To strive for continuous improvement in practices that protect our community and the environment

Businesses who pledge will:

- Be recognized for green practices
- Become a role model for positive environmental impact
- Be awarded a City of Commerce Green Business Pledge Emblem to display at your workplace
- Receive recognition on the City website and in local media

If your business has already been doing its part, we invite you to comment below on what efforts you have made in your drive towards creating a sustainable business. Activities and areas to consider could include, but are not limited to, any of the following:

- Green Purchasing Policy
- Water Conservation
- Reuse of Material
- Community Outreach

- Transportation Options
- Energy Efficiency

- Pollution Prevention
- Employee Health Program

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