



## Maryland Green Registry MEMBER

The Maryland Green Registry promotes and recognizes sustainable practices at organizations of all types and sizes. Members agree to share at least five environmental practices and one measurable result while striving to continually improve their environmental performance.

# Bowie Community Center



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## Management and Leadership



### **Environmental Policy Statement**

*At Bowie Community Center, our goal is to adhere to Maryland National Capitol Parks and Planning Commission's mission to embody the three major program areas which respond to the vision of our founders and are incorporated into our charter. M-NCPPC's mission is to:*

- *Manage physical growth and plan communities.*
- *Protect and steward natural, cultural and historic resources.*
- *Provide leisure and recreational experiences.*



### **Environmentally Preferable Products and Services**

*We partner with various organizations such as the City of Bowie's Green Team, to offer our community members and center patrons scheduled environmental workshops. Annually, we host "Earth Day" celebrations with an environmental education component to all community members. Through our art classes and preschool program, we look for ways to reuse recyclable products such as egg cartons, plastic bottles, and used paper to strategically reduce the amount of recycled materials disposed of.*



### **Environmentally Preferable Purchasing**

*We make efforts to purchase recycled products for daily use, such as EnviroCopy Paper; Eco/Recycled Paper Towels; and utilizing dry erase message boards.*

## Waste

**Solid Waste Reduction and Reuse**

*To reduce the use of paper products and possible waste, automatic hand dryers were installed in the bathrooms.*

**Recycling**

*The staff at Bowie Community Center are consistent in ensuring paper, plastic, glass, and other recyclable material is placed in appropriate recycling receptacles by ensuring each desk and room are equipped with both recycling containers, as well as non-recyclable containers.*

## Energy

**Energy Efficiency**

*Bowie Community Center is one of the many centers throughout the Commission to have received upgrades to our bathrooms and lighting. Energy efficient light bulbs throughout the facility have been installed.*

*To continue our energy conservation efforts, motion-activated lights were installed in our gymnasium and fitness center.*

## Transportation

**Employee Commute**

*Our Assistant Facility Director walks/bikes to work 2-3 times a week, saving approximately 624 miles per year in fuel costs. Staff also carpool between meetings and trainings saving approximately 800 miles per year in car travel.*



*Help build a greener, more sustainable Maryland through voluntary practices that reduce environmental impacts and save money.*

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