# SFC/southcore Financial Centre



## **Waste Reduction & Diversion Tips**

### Reuse

- 1. Reuse binders and other office supplies
- 2. Donate office furniture via Green Standards, Habitat for Humanity's ReStore, Partners in Project Green's Material Exchange, or another organization
- 3. Reuse boxes by saving them for shipments out
- 4. Use reusable envelopes for interoffice mail
- 5. Use outdated letterhead for in-house memos



### Reduce

- 1. Reduce paper by printing double-sided and only when required
- 2. Reduce ink use by selecting draft mode when printing
- 3. Reduce packaging by avoiding single packaged sugar, cream, and milk
- 4. Avoid purchasing bottled water for meetings; use a pitcher and glasses instead
- 5. Stock the kitchen with a few travel mugs for employees to use for their beverages on the go

## Recycle

- 1. Take advantage of /SFC's extensive recycling program! Use the blue box to recycle paper, beverage containers, and other materials
- 2. Recycle cardboard by marking appropriately and placing in the kitchen area
- Recycle your e-waste by calling Tenant Services at: 416.364.4110 for pick up. Cell phones, batteries and toner cartridges can be deposited in the collection bins located in the second floor PATH near the 18 York escalators
- 4. Use the green bin! Food composting collection is available on every floor and in the food court
- 5. Buy items made from recycled materials



## Repurpose

Rethink waste by encouraging a creative campaign among employees to repurpose household or office items. Here are some online ideas:

- HGTV: <a href="http://www.hgtv.com/design/packages/diy-design-and-upcycling">http://www.hgtv.com/design/packages/diy-design-and-upcycling</a>
- Recycle Art: <a href="http://www.recyclart.org/">http://www.recyclart.org/</a>

#### Rethink

Celebrate Waste Reduction Week in Canada with a waste-free lunch and learn or breakfast event.

Here are some ideas to raise awareness in your office:

- Game: Run a trivia contest promoting waste prevention and recycling. The person who emails
  your recycling coordinator or team leader with the correct answer wins.
- Presentation: contact Meirav Even-Har, Sustainability Manager, to inquire about having her present to employees about material diversion at /SFC and the importance of waste reduction as a key environmental action.
- Films: watch a film and discuss. There are many short films available to view for free. Visit: http://storyofstuff.org/movies/

## More information

To learn more about ways to reduce, reuse and recycle at work or home, visit: **southcore.ca/sustainability-resources** 

Or contact us by phone: (416) 364-0758 or email: sfc-sustainability@quadreal.com

