

Sears Holdings

Parent Company to Sears and Kmart

Energy Efficiency

In 2014, Sears Holdings reduced its electricity use by more than 300 million kWh over the previous year across the entire enterprise.

Examples of how Sears Holdings achieves energy savings include:

- Performing lighting retrofits at over 1,300 stores since 2006
- Installing energy efficient HVAC units at 236 stores since 2008

Solid Waste Reduction

Sears Holdings brands recently redesigned their footwear packaging to reduce the amount of tissue paper, PVC, plastic, and glue used. In 2014 this initiative eliminated the need for an estimated 31 tons of glue. In 2011, Sears Holdings introduced e-receipts at all of its stores to reduce paper consumption. To encourage continued use of this greener option, e-coupons are offered along with the e-receipts.

Recycling

In 2014, Sears Holdings recycled more than 125,000 tons of cardboard, 1,545 tons of mixed plastics, 3,145 tons of metal, 1,197 tons of wood, 920 tons of light bulbs, 26,924 tons of lead acid batteries, 35,000 tons of tires, 10,211 tons of used motor oil, 1,245 tons of used oil filters, 1,290 tons of antifreeze, and 340 tons of mixed recyclables. Sears also recycles or responsibly disposes of refrigerators, freezers, AC units, dehumidifiers, cell phones, ink cartridges, and televisions on behalf of its customers.

Transportation

In 2014, Sears Holdings partnered with the Department of Energy's Workplace Charging Challenge. Currently 35 electric vehicle charging stations are in use at 14 locations, including the Sears Holdings corporate campus.

Sustainability Team

The sustainability team currently consists of three full time staff who work across all functions of the organization on sustainability initiatives. In 2016, the team plans to establish an Executive Sustainability Council to help drive sustainability strategy at the executive level.



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Organization Type

Retail

Number of Fairfax County Locations

5

Fun Facts

In 2014 Sears Holdings earned the ENERGY STAR® Partner of the Year Sustained Excellence Award in both Retail and Energy Management. At that time, 495 facilities had achieved ENERGY STAR certification.

Sears Holdings has participated in every EPA Battle of the Buildings competition since its inception in 2010. In 2013, Sears Holdings entered 122 stores - more than any other competitor. That year seven stores achieved improvements of 20% or better. In 2014, four stores placed in the Top 15 nationwide for improvements made.