

Green Electronics Case Study:



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Agency Overview

- Protect children who are reported to be abused or neglected and to increase their families' capacity to safely care for them.
- Provide for the well-being of children in our care.
- Support early intervention and child abuse prevention activities
- Acting in the best interest of every child it serves and to helping families by increasing their ability to provide a safe environment for their children
- Strengthening families who are at risk of abuse or neglect.
- Support early intervention and child abuse prevention activities.



We have:

**Approximately 3,000 Employees
(Statewide)**



**Approximately 90 DCSF Offices
(Statewide)**



State Purchasing Office

- It is the mission of the DCFS Office of the State Purchasing Officer (OSPO) to provide procurement support to all agency staff while adhering to the principles of competitive bidding and economical procurement practices. The OSPO shall accomplish procurements in the most economical, expeditious and commercially reasonable manner that is in accordance with statutes.
- The OSPO strives to accommodate the needs of staff for the procurement of goods and services and provide the necessary support to staff to legally, economically and efficiently satisfy their needs for accomplishing their responsibilities to the children in the Departments care.



Past Sustainability Initiatives

- * Provided electronic devices versus paper to disseminate pertinent information to the youth of DCFS.
- * Reduced frequency and the number of reports that are printed throughout the department.
- * Furnished all offices with recycle bins.



Lanyard Project



1. Reduce paper distribution and printing cost
2. Provide products that can be recycled
3. Organize and streamline communication of vital departmental resources
4. Reduce preparation and manual labor time

1500 x \$5.54 per Lanyard
\$8310.00 total



Current Projects

- Replacing copiers with multi-functional devices.
- Reducing the frequency of repetitive print jobs by using online shared access drives.
- Make duplex printing a default setting.
- Initializing scan options to reduce printing cost.



Strategies



* Train all staff on **Going Green!**

* Enable **ENERGY STAR** features on all machines

* Purchase **Recycled Products** for the department.

* **Reduce** the use of fax, network printers and supplies



Key Players

Illinois Department of Children & Family Services Staff

Administrative & Executive Staff



Procurement Office

Office of Information Technology

Central Management Services



Challenges and Opportunities

Our Challenges:

Implementing new **Go Green** methods to over 3000 employees state wide.

Ensuring that all of our offices are functioning effectively under the **Go Green** initiative.

Our Opportunities:

Educate employees on the importance of going Green at work and home.

Save money



Lessons Learned

A greener workplace can mean a lighter ecological footprint, a healthier and more productive place to work, and good news for the bottom line. Whether you're the boss or the employee, whether your office is green already or still waiting to see the light, some practical steps can lay the groundwork for a healthy, low-impact workspace. www.planetgreen.com



Summary

Our goal is to have every DCFS office and employee actively participating in the **Go Green** initiative.

Upgrade ALL copiers to Multi-Functional Devices before 6/30/2010





Thank you.

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