



PACE
PARTNERS FOR A
CLEAN ENVIRONMENT

What is PACE?

PACE provides education outreach, technical assistance, and recognition for environmental achievement. The program is available at no cost to businesses in Boulder County. PACE offers:

- Assessments to identify opportunities for waste reduction, water conservation, and energy-efficiency
- Information and assistance to meet your business needs
- Compliance education
- Public recognition for your environmental efforts

Why Participate?

Compliance – Our free, non-regulatory consultations help you comply with environmental laws and ordinances and reduce your liability.

Cost Savings - Less waste means lower disposal and operating costs. Efficient use of water, energy, and materials saves money.

Public Image - Environmental practices impact your image with customers, the community, and regulatory agencies.

Public Recognition!

PACE publicly recognizes certified businesses through **free advertising**. This includes Internet listings and advertising in newspapers, magazines, utility bill inserts, and radio spots.

Certified businesses receive a PACE window decal and framed certificate. PACE encourages the public to support businesses that contribute to the community through environmentally sound operating practices.

Resource Management *Recycled Paper*

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Post-Consumer Recycled Paper

There have been many technological improvements since paper with PCW was first introduced. Modern day recycled paper has the same quality and feel as virgin paper and is available in many different sizes, colors, brightness, and weights. It causes far fewer problems for copiers and printers than before, minimizing paper jams or dust accumulation inside copiers. The increase in demand for paper made with PCW has resulted in very competitive pricing.

Why Choose Post-Consumer Recycled Paper?

- Recycled paper requires less bleaching so it releases fewer harmful chemicals into our air and water.
- Although trees are a renewable resource, the methods of harvesting pulp, such as harvesting from plantations, harm the natural diversity of wildlife in forests. The true benefit of using PCW is that it preserves forests rather than only saving trees.

Forest Stewardship Council

The Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) promotes environmentally appropriate, socially beneficial, and economically viable management of the world's forests. This is done through chain of custody certification program for every step of manufacturing products made from trees. The program certifies wood products recognized as coming from "well-managed" forests adhering to strict environmental and socioeconomic standards.



Sustainable Forestry Initiative

The SFI® program integrates the perpetual growing and harvesting of trees with the protection of wildlife, plants, soils and air and water quality. SFI is a program based on nine principles that address economic, environmental, cultural and legal issues, in addition to a commitment to continuously improve sustainable forest management. SFI also uses a chain of custody (CoC) program.



Terms and Acronyms

- PCW (Post-consumer Waste) is reproduced paper that was once used and recycled by consumers.
- PCF (Process Chlorine-Free) indicates that fiber is recycled, without the use of additional chlorine or chlorine derivatives.
- ECF (Elemental Chlorine-Free) indicates virgin or recycled fiber bleached with environmentally preferable chlorine compounds.

Producing paper with 100% post-consumer recycled content uses 44% less energy, and produces 50% less wastewater and 41% less greenhouse gases