

Kaiser Permanente

Business Type	Health Care
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Bottom Line Savings

- \$18,000 saved by reducing operation hours of HVAC and lighting
- More than \$30,000 saved due to increased single stream recycling, and corresponding reduced solid waste expenses
- \$5,000 saved through reduced medical waste stream

Energy

- New support building includes building control system to run HVAC system efficiently and motion censored lighting.
- Lighting retrofit project replacing T12 with T8 lamps.
- Improved efficiency of cooling towers with media replacement.

Recycling/Reuse

- Single stream recycling in all departments saves time, money and space.
- National purchasing agreement with carpet vendors, including recycling of used carpet.
- In new support building implemented desk side recycling and centralized (per area) garbage containers. Saves on plastic liners and labor and increases recycling. Estimated savings \$5,000-\$8,000/year.
- Specified more eco-friendly flooring in new support building: recycled backing for carpet and rubber floors, some sealed concrete areas.

Waste/Emissions

- Researching job categories that may be suitable for telecommuting. Will save on office space, parking, and decrease traffic and greenhouse gas emissions. This is a work-in-progress and a goal for 2007. Each parking space "saved" is more than \$10,000 capital savings. Office space saved is \$2,000-\$4,000/year per employee.
- Eliminate and minimize built-in furniture, which allows for easy moving and removal as users or functions change.
- Elimination of medical equipment containing mercury and other mercury sources.
- Integrated Pest Management program soon to be implemented at local level.
- Reduction of hazardous waste by converting to digital Radiology. Savings over \$3,000/year in waste hauling fees alone, additional savings in material costs.

Sustainable Building

- Kaiser has embraced Green Building concept at national level.

Best Practices