

KVH Is Going Green!

KVH is going greener than ever, following several changes made in honor of Earth Day. KU staff are pitching in to keep the environment clean and beautiful by implementing several changes around the office, and sharing the approach so everyone can take part.

You may have noticed...

- New recycling bins have been placed in the copy rooms and kitchen areas to help recycle used cans, bottles, and paper, and new mini recycling bins have been made available to every employee with a wastebasket -- the bins hang right on the side!
- Styrofoam cups are no longer available in the kitchen areas and cafeteria – employees will be using their favorite mugs from home instead, and guests will have access to paper cups.
- Individual bottles of hand sanitizer are available to employees at the front desk -- save water, stay clean, and avoid getting sick!
- There are signs around the building reminding everyone to recycle today to preserve the environment for tomorrow.

Some changes you can't see...

- All of the exterior lights at 50 Enterprise Center, as well as those in the cafeteria, are on timers or sensors to save electricity.
- The four rooftop fresh air supply units are energy efficient models, so employees get clean air inside without polluting outside.
- All of the building's coffee makers and water fountains are equipped with individual [5 micron filters](#).
- The sensor faucets in all the bathrooms have been upgraded, so that they use just .5 gallons of water per minute, instead of 2.5 -- with 18 faucets in the building, that's a lot of water saved!
- KVH recycles at 80%, which puts us in the top tier of manufacturers according to the RI Department of Environmental Management.

Here's how employees are pitching in...

- Bringing a favorite mug from home for hot beverages – it's environmentally friendly and can add some pizzazz to your desk!
- Using a reusable water bottle and refill it from the water fountain, instead of using individual plastic water bottles for which precious energy and resources are used up in manufacturing and recycling.
- Shutting off computer monitors at night. Monitors are energy "vampires," using a surprisingly large amount of electricity even when they are in "Standby" mode, so turning them off when you leave for the day is both green and cost effective!
- Recycling!
- Using online resources like the [Ideal Bite](#) newsletter for daily tips on how to treat the planet kindly, both at work and at home.



Questions? www.rirc.org or call 942-1430 x775



HAZARDOUS DON'T RECYCLE

- Acid-based bottles
- Motor oil bottles
- Aerosol spray bottles
- Oil drums
- Paint cans/containers
- Propane gas tanks
- Thermometers
- Oil-based paint cans

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