



National Museum of the Marine Corps

18900 Jefferson Davis Highway
Triangle, Virginia

"The National Museum of the Marine Corps, which opened in 2006, is an American history museum, seen through the eyes of Marines. This family-friendly attraction charts the accomplishments of the Corps from 1775 to the present, using immersive techniques. On display are hundreds of artifacts, including aircraft, tanks, weapons, and popular culture items. Children's activity areas are open daily. Free admission and parking. Open every day except Christmas from 9 to 5. Just off I-95 in northern Virginia."

Green Statement: "To showcase the Museum's commitment to operating the Museum using the best environmental practices and standards."

CORE ACTIVITIES for Green Attractions

Recycling. Virginia Green facilities must have highly-visible locations/containers that provide the opportunity for guests to recycle aluminum cans, plastic and glass bottles, or other disposable products purchased at the facility. Recycling of cardboard, plastic, paper, and composting of waste foods is highly encouraged as well. This facility pledges that they:

- Offer the opportunity for guests to recycle: glass bottles, plastic bottles, aluminum cans
- Also recycle: steel cans, newspaper, office paper, toner cartridges, cardboard, fluorescent lamps, batteries, electronic equipment

Minimize the use of disposable food service products. The facility is required to minimize the use of disposable food service products and maximize the use of food service products that are recyclable or compostable in the food service area. When disposable food service items are used, the facility is encouraged to use products that are made from bio-based or renewable resources, and to provide for the collection / recycling/ composting of food service items disposed of on the premises. This facility pledges that they:

- Use disposable foodservice items that are made from bio-based, renewable materials (corn, bamboo, potato starch, sugarcane, etc.)
- Use disposable foodservice items that are recyclable (in your area!)

Reduce solid waste. The facility must be actively working to reduce its solid waste generation. This facility pledges that they:

- Track overall solid waste costs

Kitchen (or during meetings/events)

- Recycle fryer grease

Dining room (or during meetings/events)

- Use cloth napkins
- Provide condiments, cream and sugar, etc. in bulk



- Use water pitchers to minimize the use of single-use bottles

Restrooms

- Use bulk soap dispensers in public restrooms

Office

- Remove facility and staff names from junk mail lists when possible
- Reuse scrap paper for notes
- Reuse or donate shipping and packing supplies (peanuts, bubble wrap, etc.)
- Purchase recycled paper with a high-percentage recycled content
- Make double-sided photocopies and avoid making extra photocopies
- Use electronic correspondence and forms when possible

Buildings and grounds

- Use green cleaning products that are dispensed in bulk
- Install carpet with sustainable or recycled content and low-VOC adhesives
- Use reused building materials or those from sustainable sources
- Properly recycle and/or dispose of thinners and solvents (required by law)
- Perform preventative maintenance on all appliances, HVAC systems, plumbing, and vehicles
- Use integrated pest management (IPM)
- Minimize use of pesticides and herbicides in landscaping

Use water efficiently. The facility must have a plan in place and have taken steps toward reducing its water use. This facility pledges that they:

- Track overall water usage and wastewater costs

Activities indoors

- Perform preventative maintenance to stop drips and leaks
- Have installed:
 - Automatic faucets or toilets in public restrooms

Activities outdoors

- Have landscaping that utilizes native species
- Have minimized impervious areas (paving, concrete, etc.)
- Have installed a green roof
- Maintain vegetative buffers around streams and ponds



Conserve energy. The facility must have a plan in place and have taken steps toward reducing its energy use. This facility pledges that they:

- Track overall energy bills

Heating and cooling

- Have individual thermostats for each room; ensure they are correctly adjusted
- Have installed ENERGY STAR-rated windows and doors
- Regularly perform preventative maintenance on HVAC system
- Have installed a high efficiency HVAC system
- Keep office doors and windows closed if HVAC system is on

Lighting

- Use natural lighting
- Have adopted a policy/practice to turn off lights in unoccupied rooms
- Have installed high efficiency fluorescent ballasts and lamps (T-5 and T-8)
- Have adopted a policy/practice to minimize the use of lighting during night cleaning

Appliances and electronic devices

- Use ENERGY STAR qualified office equipment (computers, monitors, copiers, printers, etc.)

- Have adopted a policy/practice to turn off fans, computers, monitors and other devices in unoccupied rooms at the end of the workday or when otherwise not being used

Transportation-related energy use

- Use alternative fuel, hybrid-electric, or electric vehicles

Building construction and renovation

- Achieved LEED certification at the _____ level during the facility's construction
- Are working to or have achieved LEED-EB (existing building) certification through operational changes and renovations
- Earned the ENERGY STAR label for our building

For more information on the National Museum of the Marine Corps, see www.usmcmuseum.org or contact Lin Ezell at Lin.ezell@usmc.mil or 703-784-6422.

Virginia Green is the Commonwealth of Virginia's campaign to promote environmentally-friendly practices in all aspects of Virginia's tourism industry. **Virginia Green Attractions** have been thoughtfully planned and designed to minimize their impacts on the environment. This attraction has met the established "core activities" for **Green Attractions** and has committed to communicate its activities to its guests.

For more information on **Virginia Green** program, see www.viriniagreentravel.org or <http://staging.deq.virginia.gov/Programs/PollutionPrevention/VirginiaGreen.aspx>.



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