

UCSF

Medical Center Green Group

Mission Statement:

The distinctive mission of the UCSF Medical Center Green Group is to create a more eco-friendly Medical Center environment. The group must be interdisciplinary and involve all members of the hospital community.

Human health and wellness is directly tied to the health and wellness of the environment. We strive to promote the health of our patients, families and employees. In accordance with Federal, State and University of California regulations, we will create and maintain a sustainability plan that will promote health and wellness of our patients, families, employees and the environment.

Goals:

We aim to raise awareness and educate employees about the consequences of actions and create a model for sustainability by promoting the implementation of environmental initiatives. We will work to achieve a more sustainable community by reducing waste, rebuying recycled products, reusing and recycling materials. We aim to focus on green energy, building, and transportation.

Definition of Sustainability:

"Meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs" Gro Harlem Brundtland.
Sustainability relates to every aspect of human society as well as the non-human environment; it permeates economic, social, institutional and environmental realms.

Sustainability Target Areas:

Buildings – Design, redesign of existing areas

- Mission Bay
- Parnassus
- Mt. Zion
- Ambulatory Care Center
- Ancillary Buildings

Energy –

- Reducing energy usage
- Becoming more energy efficient

Electronics –

- Cradle to Grave vision

Transportation –

- Encouraging carpooling, bike/walk and public transportation to work
- Making UCSF vehicles more environmentally friendly

Recycling-

- Batteries
- Reusable Sharps
- TV/Computer/Monitor
- Bottles/Cans/Plastic/Cardboard
- Clinical Engineering

Purchasing – Sustainable Products – rebuying recycled goods

- Healthcare equipment – reduce DEHP/PVC
- Paper
- Towels
- Toilet Paper
- Janitorial Supplies
- Office Supplies

Dietary –

- Reducing waste
 - Food
 - Materials
- Sustainable Meats and Veggies – Organics, antibiotic free,

Education and Employees

- Hire additional employees to perform sustainable tasks
- Educate current employees about eco-friendly plans

Department Goals –

- Reduce waste - Sustainable Products- Recycle – Reuse - Rebuy
- Lab - Pharmacy – Office – Patient Care Areas