



Sustainable Purchasing Policy

LindenHurst Memorial Library strives to be a responsible steward of its resources, including decreasing its impact on the environment. Green purchasing adds environmental considerations to the price and performance criteria that the Library uses to make purchasing decisions. Green purchasing attempts to identify and reduce environmental impact and to maximize resource efficiency.

Toward that end, the Library shall, wherever practical and efficient, use sustainable and environmentally sound supplies and equipment for the Library. We will consider factors such as the following (this is not an exhaustive list) when making purchases for the Library:

- The ability for the item to be recycled
- Amount of post-consumer recycled content in the item and/or packaging
- Disposal of item upon end of its usefulness, such as batteries and hardware
- Transportation distances and impacts for delivery of the items
- Ability for an item to be repaired or repurposed rather than re-purchasing
- The environmental practices of the vendors under consideration
- The use of local vendors when at all possible and appropriate to all other policies and procedures

Nothing in this policy shall prohibit the Library from considering a product or vendor that is more suitable for the intended use and/or available at a more competitive price that does not meet these aspirational standards.

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