



International House is a conscious architect of our hotel's impact on the one earth we share. In energy and environment, we have taken these key steps. Since implementing them, the Hotel has reduced annual energy use by more than 70,000 kilowatt hours, or 91,000 pounds of carbon dioxide emissions, the equivalent of avoiding conventional electricity in eight homes or planting 500 mature trees. With a joyful effort toward thoughtful, artful and responsible living, we are constantly looking for good ideas to reduce pollution, eliminate toxins, and conserve our natural resources.

*We also recruit, invest in and support leading entrepreneurs and organizations. We recruited [Free Flow Power Corporation](#), one of the most promising renewable energy companies in the nation to the hotel's workspace, *Entrepreneurs' Row*, a mecca for start-ups in New Orleans. And, we have repeatedly partnered with [Global Green USA](#) in its efforts to rebuild New Orleans, hosting conferences and events including a dinner reception for its founder, President Mikhail Gorbachev.*

CONSERVE ENERGY, WATER AND NATURAL RESOURCES

- High efficiency maintenance program for heating and cooling systems
- Replaced incandescent light bulbs with compact fluorescent and LED lamps
 - Programmable thermostats
- Free parking for alternative fuel vehicles
 - Linen Reuse Program
 - High efficiency sink faucets
 - High efficiency showerheads
- Promote the use of public transportation for employees and guests

REDUCE, REUSE AND RECYCLE

- Guest Recycling Program
- Amenities Recycling Program
- Purified water stations to reduce bottled water use

PREVENT POLLUTION AND ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY PRODUCTS

- Non-toxic/high efficiency detergent
 - Non-toxic paint
- Non-toxic gardening supplies
 - Recycled paper
- [Breath In: A Smoke Free Experience](#)
- Eco-friendly AVEDA amenities
- Green Concepts Cleaning Products*

* Green Concepts cleaning products are provided by Eglé Distributing and contain certifications from the following: EcoLogo, EPA's DFE (Designed for the Environment Program), Green Seal, Canadian Choice, and Kosher.