

Eco Team: Friendship Christian Reformed Church

Purpose

- The FCRC Eco Team will provide leadership in Christian stewardship of our resources in the specific areas of our use of natural resources, our consumption of goods, our output of waste, and our environmental stewardship.

Status

- Is a working team of FCRC.
- Reports to Administrative Council, through the Building & Grounds Team.

Specific Functions and Responsibilities

- Reviews church operations with regard to use of natural resources, output of waste, and environmental stewardship. More specifically,
 - Reviews kitchen operations and materials to ensure that we are good environmental stewards.
 - Reviews custodial, building, and grounds operations and materials to ensure that we are good environmental stewards.
 - Review office operations and materials to ensure that we are good environmental stewards.
 - Reviews energy use and operations within the church building to ensure that we are good environmental stewards.
 - Makes recommendations in all areas based on cost effectiveness, ease of operation/implementation, and impact on the environment.
- Implements and oversees specific recycling efforts at church, working with various FCRC ministries in this effort. Examples: Paper Gator, SERVE recycling project, printer ink jet recycling.
- Works with other ministries to incorporate environmental stewardship into those ministry programs.
- Encourages and educates the congregation on lifestyle changes that demonstrate Christian stewardship for the creation.

Relationships with Other Committees/Teams

- Works with all committees, teams, and ministries to incorporate and integrate environmental stewardship.
- Financial and Budget Responsibilities:
 - Makes recommendations, when appropriate, to the Finance Team (or other appropriate teams) for budgeting of various environmental stewardship practices.
 - Applies for grants and other financial incentives, as appropriate, to provide funding for specific Eco Team projects.
 - Conducts fund raisers, as desired, to provide funding for specific Eco Team projects.

Membership, Meetings, and Officers

- This team is comprised of six to eight members (all voting members), one of whom is a representative of the Building & Grounds Team. Members will serve staggered terms.
- The Team Leader is selected by members of the Eco Team and will be approved by Administrative Council.
- Terms will be three years in length and begin on January 1 of each year. These terms are renewable for an additional 3 years, with member and team consensus.