

Green Team Mission Statement

The City of Rockville Green Team was established by the City's Mayor and Council to lead Rockville's efforts toward Sustainable Maryland Certification. The Rockville Green Team's mission is to promote a sustainable community that fosters long-term environmental health, social well-being, and economic prosperity for residents, businesses, and government.

In doing so, the Green Team strives to ensure that Rockville is a leader in promoting the following Sustainable Maryland Certified principles:

- **Natural Resources** –Protect our streams and drinking water, promote healthy ecosystems, increase tree canopy, reduce pollution, and increase recycling.
- **Health and Wellness** – Improve the health and wellness of our community by addressing obesity, recreation, health, housing, and parenting.
- **Energy** – Increase energy efficiency, energy independence, and use of renewable energy.
- **Planning and Land Use** – Promote and facilitate sustainable planning, land use, transportation and green design to improve the community's quality of life.
- **Food** – Increase access to fresh, healthy local food, improve nutritional and healthy living programs, and promote farmers markets and community gardens.
- **Local Economy** – Support local businesses and promote sustainable business practices.
- **Greenhouse Gas** –Improve air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

This is accomplished through outreach and education; recommending and initiating policies, practices, and programs; recognizing individuals and organizations for excellence; and partnering with local schools, citizen associations, businesses, civic and non-profit organizations, City government, and other jurisdictions.