



THE GOLDEN HOTEL

Green Initiatives

Green Awards and Recognition

- The hotel is a 2011 City of Golden Sustainability Award Winner.
- The hotel is also a 2011 Recipient of the Eco-Excellence Award for Property Excellence through Choice Hotels International.
- In 2011, the property was a CHLA Green Hospitality Award Winner: 2nd place recipient for Lewis Hotels

Energy Conservation

- The Golden Hotel was the first hotel in Golden, Colorado to be solar powered.
- The property features 160 solar panels, which will save 43,647 kWh of electricity production annually for the next 30 years.
- Additional recurring environmental benefits from our solar panels that will transpire annually for the next 30+ years is the equivalent of 89,389 lbs of reduced CO2 emissions, a reduction of 97,775 vehicle miles driven or a total of 3,438 trees planted
- The hotel has a monitoring system displayed in the lobby which shows daily energy savings.
- The hotel has been retrofitted to accommodate various size and wattage of energy efficient bulbs.
- The hotel installed motion sensor lighting in public restrooms, storage units, housekeeping closets and the fitness room.
- The Golden Hotel completed an Xcel Energy efficiency audit.
- The property installed an occupancy monitoring system for guest rooms that will return the temperature to a pre-programmed energy reducing level while rooms are not occupied.
- The property installed two Tesla charging stations in parking lot.

Water Conservation

- All guest bathrooms have dual flush toilets, which use .08 gallons for liquid waste and 1.28 gallons for solid. This equates to a 44% water savings compared to a traditional 1.6 gallon toilets.
- Water efficient fixtures are installed throughout the hotel and restaurant.
- Guests have the opportunity to do their part by choosing to reuse bed linens and towels, which reduces energy, water and detergent required for daily washings.

Recycling

- The hotel purchases products made of recycled material. The hotel does not provide items made of Styrofoam, all of our "to go" products are eco-friendly. Our paper cups are green and our boxes are made of recycled paper.
- The hotel has a recycling program that encompasses aluminum cans, glass bottles, paper, batteries, toner and more.

- Each guest room has individual receptacles for recyclable items.
- The entire property re-uses recycled paper.
- The hotel supports paperless applications and paperless guest check out.

Cleaner Air

- The property is non-smoking.
- There are multiple bus stops located in the vicinity of the hotel.
- The hotel provides a shuttle service, allowing larger groups to travel within a 5 mile radius.
- Hotel location is within walking distance to favorite local attractions, shopping, and dining.
- The hotel as well as purchasing local and organic products.

Reduced Waste

- Guest bathrooms are outfitted with Wave Brand shampoo, shower gel and conditioner dispensers which reduces the amount of plastic bottles in landfills.
- In guest rooms, face soaps and lotions are packaged in recycled materials.
- The hotel enforces double-sided printing when applicable.
- The hotel has a paperless pay system.
- Hotel Team Members use old single sided printed material as note paper.

Green Cleaning Supplies

- The hotel uses eco-friendly cleaning materials.
- The restaurant uses an “Oasis” tower for all chemicals, which decreases over concentration of chemicals and helps decrease water usage.
- The restaurant uses the Ecolab “Apex” system for dishwashing needs that is supposed to drastically reduce water usage.
- All chemicals used in the restaurant are environmentally friendly, eliminating caustic chemicals in our drainage system.

Green Materials

- The property also purchases non-toxic environmentally friendly products.
- The hotel only purchases reusable toner and ink cartridges with we return to the manufacturer for refill.

Sustainable Business

- The hotel’s Green Team consists of representatives from each of the Lewis Properties hotels in Colorado who are committed to our continued eco-friendly efforts, including working with local consultants to improve green initiatives and sustainability.

Guest and employee ideas to improve the hotel’s green initiatives are always welcome