



# Press Release

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### **BUSINESSES TAKE THE CITY OF EDMONDS GREEN BUSINESS PLEDGE**

**(Edmonds – WA)** Congratulations and thank you to our local businesses who took the green business pledge during the first round of pledging:

- **Gallery North**
- **Merri Lee Jacobs, PhD Psychologist**
- **Landau Associates**
- **Walnut Street Coffee**
- **Cheesemonger's Table**
- **City of Edmonds Public Works Department**

As part of the City of Edmonds' efforts to encourage environmental awareness among its business community, the City created an online **Green Business Pledge**. This gives local businesses the opportunity to be recognized by the City as leaders and role models for their commitment to reducing negative impacts to our environment through sustainable business practices. The City challenges every business to take the Green Business Pledge as one step towards becoming an environmentally conscious member of the City.

To get on board, just go to <http://greenbusiness.edmondswa.gov> and fill out the pledge. The second round closes on **June 30<sup>th</sup>**, and we encourage all local businesses to join those who have already pledged. Here are a few examples of actions businesses could take to qualify:

- Replace disposable flatware and tableware with reusable items
- Recycle cardboard, newspapers, paper, plastic bottles
- Buy items with recycled content
- Use double-sided printer settings
- Use weatherstripping and caulking to seal windows and doors
- Replace incandescent bulbs with efficient LED lighting

- Plug equipment into a time switch to turn off after working hours
- Replace toxic products with safe and healthier alternatives

Recognized businesses are awarded a ***Green Business Pledge Emblem*** to display in their window and will receive recognition on the City website and local media for your commitment to conserving and protecting our environment!

**Are you proud of your business' efforts on being green? Would you like to become a green business? These businesses are!**

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