

# ClimateWise

Don't Recycle – Reduce Your Use

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**Climate Wise Fall Fair - Drake  
Centre**



# Source Reduction

“...refers to any change in the design, manufacture, purchase, or use of materials or products (including packaging) **to reduce their amount** or toxicity before they become municipal solid waste. Source reduction also refers to the **reuse** of products or materials.” EPA

# Framework

- Reduce – Purchase less to save more
  - Eliminate
  - Look for durability
  - Rethink needs
  - Rethink use
  - Reduce toxicity

# Framework 2

- Reuse – Keep a good thing going
- Practice makes perfect
  - Invest
  - Change habits
  - Organize
  - Integrate systems
  - Continue reuse
  - Plan ahead
  - Check recyclability
  - Minimize packaging

Source: [conservatree.org/paper/Choose/SRpurchasing.shtml](http://conservatree.org/paper/Choose/SRpurchasing.shtml)

# Strategies

- Printing to PDF
- Junk mail reduction
- Duplexing
- Backsides as note paper
- Reusable dishes, cups, glasses
- Reusable containers, bags
- Refillable ink cartridges
- Carpet tiles
- Electronic letterhead
- Leave grass clippings on lawn
  
- What else?

# How to report

Secure Citizen Access < City of Fort Collins, Colorado USA

https://secure.fcgov.com/myaccount/climatewise/form/data/type/waste

Google

Google Gmail GW Salon Olander Rivendell Huff Post Coloradoan Netflix Hulu Post to Delicious My Delicious FSCU Chase CC AT&T Apple FC Ulll

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## myClimateWise - City of Fort Collins

### Data Collection Tool (for the year 2008)

Report data annually, using the Climate Wise data collection form.

[Overview](#) [Energy Form](#) [Water Form](#) [Solid Waste Form](#) [Transportation Form](#) [Other Form](#)

#### Solid Waste Form

**Project name**  
Printing to PDF  
(report all recycling, reduction, or reuse programs annually)

**Details**  
Printing to PDF file saved 10,000 sheets of standard printer paper (2 cases, 50% recycled) saving \$104

description

**Can Climate Wise share project details publicly?**  
 yes

**Annual Project Savings (\$)**  
104  
(Enter N/A if you don't know)

**Installed Cost (\$)**  
0  
(Enter N/A if you don't know)

**Disposal method**  
reduction

**Material**  
Mixed office paper

**Material Notes**  
Add notes or indicate a material not included in the list above

**Quantity**  
40

**Unit**  
pounds

**Hauler**  
NA

# Case Studies

- **Todd Parker**  
Drahota Construction
- **Alanna Trzcinski**  
Professional Document Solutions, Inc.

Thank you!

