

Sustainability



Mission Statement

Anixter's Corporate Sustainability program seeks to continuously improve business processes to control and reduce the impact associated with our targeted environmental aspects of:

- Energy
- Waste
- Materials and natural resources
- Transportation.

By targeting measurable results within each environmental aspect combined with using A Sustainable PathSM Approach, which focuses on the economic, environmental and social impacts of the organization, Anixter balances corporate social responsibility and return on investment.

Energy

It takes a lot of energy to keep 7 million square feet of warehouse and office space warm in the winter and cool in the summer. Anixter is successfully reducing energy consumption around the world, which in turn lowers operating costs and reduces greenhouse gas emissions.

Select Accomplishments

- Anixter's 195,000-square-foot building in Edmonton, Alberta, obtained U.S. Green Building Council LEED® (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Silver Certification. This is Anixter's second LEED certified building and plans for others are under evaluation.
- Anixter's Willebroek, Belgium location uses rooftop solar panels to power more than 50 percent of its 142,000-square-foot building.
- Anixter's Glenview, IL, data center reduces energy consumption through server consolidation and virtualization.
- 41 Anixter global locations have installed energy-efficient lighting systems that include automatic scheduling, intensity-controlled ballasts and motion detectors.



Waste



With more than 8,200 employees supporting over \$6 billion in annual sales from over 225 buildings, Anixter is focused on reducing the waste produced in its offices and warehouses. Every day, Anixter employees do their part to effectively reduce, reuse and recycle waste.

Select Accomplishments

- Anixter's 457,000-square-foot Alsip, IL, U.S. Green Building Council LEED certified national distribution center won the Economic Development Council for the Southwest Suburbs and Moraine Valley Community College Green Advocate Award "for its commitment to reducing its ecological footprint by incorporating environmentally sustainable practices."
- 26 New global recycling programs have been implemented over the last year that will divert a projected 776,000 lb. of cardboard, wood, plastic and mixed recyclables from landfills annually.
- Anixter recycles more than 52,000 lb. of scrap electronics annually.
- Anixter's North American Supply Chain Solutions organization successfully diverted more than 19,400 lb. of packaging waste from customers' job sites.

Materials and Natural Resources

Materials encompass everything from cardboard boxes and copier paper to office supplies and printer toner cartridges. As many of these consumables contain embedded natural resources, Anixter strives to only use what is needed and seek to use products that contain recycled content whenever possible.

Select Accomplishments

- Using and recycling remanufactured printer toner cartridges is mandatory for all Anixter locations.
- Anixter's new eBilling service will eliminate more than 308,000 paper invoices in North America annually. International implementation will follow.
- By cancelling or converting our auto print reports to view only, internationally we eliminated our use of paper by approximately 430,000 sheets annually.



Transportation



To meet our customers' needs, we use third-party surface and air transportation networks in conjunction with select Anixter-operated fleet vehicles to get products from suppliers to customers around the world. Based on Anixter's extensive global transportation operations, we have the responsibility to make sure that our third-party carriers and our internal fleet vehicles operate in the most environmentally efficient manner possible.

Select Accomplishments

- A No-Idling Program has been implemented at all Anixter warehouses to improve air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and increase safety.
- New GPS guidance systems have been installed in U.K. and U.S. fleet trucks and vans to increase fuel economy and improve driver productivity.
- Anixter improved the fuel economy of its U.S. fleet cars by an average of 1 mile per gallon eliminating the consumption of more than 14,940 gallons of gasoline annually.

To learn more about Anixter's Corporate Sustainability program, email a request to sustainablepath@anixter.com.