

FACTS FOR GOING PAPERLESS

What businesses should know to reduce paper usage and help saving our environment.



1 Office Worker will use **10,000** Sheets of Paper Annually



Paper **Use** Costs **13 to 31 Times** the Purchasing Cost of Paper (Your Paper Use Cost)



85% of Business Documents are in Paper Form

15% of an Organization's Revenues are Spent Creating, Managing, & Distributing Documents

U. S. Businesses Throw Away Enough Scrap Paper Annually to Fill Nearly **20 Sears Towers** from Top to Bottom



900 Million Trees are Cut Down Annually

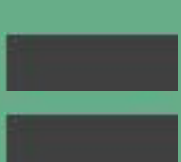
2.47 Million Trees are Cut Down Daily



Recycling **1 Ton** of Paper Saves **17 Trees** (and other resources)



The Average Person in the US Uses **7 Trees** Per Year



One large tree can provide a day's supply of oxygen for up to four people.



Each year, one person uses wood and paper products equivalent to a 100 foot tree 18 inches in diameter.



For Every **One Ton** of Paper Recycled, You Save



17 Trees



6953 Gallons of Water



463 Gallons of Oil



587 Pounds of Air Pollution



3.06 Cubic Yards of Landfill Space



4077 Kilowatt Hours of Electricity

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