

Environmental Policy

Summit Hotel Properties, Inc. recognizes our responsibility to manage the effect that our business operations may have on the environment, and we strive to minimize that effect by conserving natural resources and reducing waste and pollution. We are committed to a long-term sustainable approach to caring for and safeguarding the environment. We constantly endeavor to balance environmental considerations and social responsibility with our business goals. As a result, we strive to evolve and implement our Environmental Policy in addition to complying with environmental laws and regulations. Our Environmental Policy and programs use, as a guideline, the provisions of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (“UN SDGs”). Our environmental stewardship programs and practices focus on the following:

- integrating the consideration of environmental concerns and effects into our decision making and activities,
- employing the principles of reducing, reusing and recycling as much as possible,
- minimizing energy and water use within our hotel properties and processes in order to conserve supplies and minimize the consumption of natural resources,
- improving energy efficiency in building design and construction and employing energy conservation best practices in our hotel properties,
- purchasing products and services that do the least damage to the environment,
- training, educating and informing our employees about environmental issues that may affect their work,
- promoting environmental awareness among our employees and encouraging them to work in an environmentally responsible manner,
- communicating our environmental commitment to partners, customers and the public and encouraging them to support it,
- reducing energy costs through environmental controls, and
- identifying opportunities in new and innovative programs offered through utility companies and with local, state and national agencies.

Energy and Water

We are committed to managing our carbon footprint to mitigate the damaging effects of climate change. We work to minimize our carbon footprint with the use of active data management and implementation of environmentally conscious programs or operating procedures. We have partnered with a third-party energy management and analytics company to monitor and analyze our electric, natural gas and water usage. Through benchmarking reports and analytics, we are able to identify and remedy anomalies in our consumption that may indicate inefficiencies or opportunities to implement measures to improve our overall ability to minimize our usage of energy and water resources. We also utilize the Environmental Protection Agency’s Energy Star Portfolio Manager to benchmark our environmental performance.

We support and maintain the current utility management initiatives established by our brand partners and third-party management companies. We also acknowledge the right to clean water as a fundamental human right and work to conserve water resources where possible.

Building, Retrofitting and Operating Sustainable Hotels

We have established an energy management program to assess the sustainable building attributes throughout our portfolio and to identify and prioritize property-specific projects to improve our environmental performance.

We continuously build upon our culture of environmental stewardship by raising awareness through training and other programs.

Historical Property Preservation

We are committed to the preservation and protection of our historical buildings and have several hotel properties in our portfolio that we carefully maintain in accordance with historical building mandates.

Waste and Recycling

We are committed to recycling and have a goal of significantly reducing the quantity of waste disposed to landfills. We are committed to partnering with organizations, where possible, that specialize in reducing and recycling waste to achieve our recycling objectives.

Resilience Measures

We periodically assess the vulnerability of our assets to social and environmental shocks and stressors and employ a third-party disaster recovery service to promptly restore operations following a natural disaster.

Responsible Sourcing

We, in concert with our brand and property manager partners, promote sustainable procurement throughout our value chain and hold suppliers, vendors and other business partners to the same standards.