

# OUR ENVIRONMENT



## Commuter Challenge

In 2014, our employees travelled 3,761 km with sustainable modes of transportation, avoided 511 kg harmful CO<sub>2</sub> and saved 254 litres of fuel.

## Rain Barrel Sales

Through a partnership with Green Calgary, we hosted six rain barrel sales in our branch parking lots. Through these community sales in 2014, Green Calgary sold 1,698 rain barrels and 590 composters. This translates to the effective capture of almost 1,528,200 gallons of water and a potential 50% reduction of household garbage to the landfill.

## Recycling/Composting Initiative

All First Calgary Financial locations have bi-weekly compost and recycling pick-ups. Check out the amount of waste diverted from the landfill:

Material Type	Amount Recycled (Kg)	Annual Ecological Benefits
Paper (mixed)	8,615	838.8 trees saved
Paper (shredded)	28,350	
Cardboard	1,163	
Plastic	1,858	27.5 barrels of oil saved
Glass	3	N/A
Metal	531	N/A
Beverage Containers	7,779	N/A
Organics	2,752	0.5 cars off the road
<b>Total</b>	<b>51,051</b>	<b>5.1 garbage trucks kept from landfill</b>

Table provided by Green Calgary. N/A means that ecological benefits are not applicable. Either because there is not enough research for that material to find out what an appropriate ecological benefit might be or because the benefit is so low it is not worth reporting

## Total Emissions

To report on our Greenhouse Gas emissions, we have been tracking the following outputs on a monthly basis using carbon accounting software:

Electricity Water Natural gas Business travel Vehicle fleet Organics recycling

### Total CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions

(Tonnes)

