

- **Reduce Paper**

- Shift from print handouts to online.
- Print on demand/as needed.
- Make your margins smaller.
- Print only a selection.
- Think to yourself: do you really have to print that?
- Shift to purchase more online resources, databases, audiobooks, ebooks, etc.
- Think ILL – borrow it – you don't have to buy everything.
- Find free journals and resources online: Directory of Open Access Journals  
<http://www.doaj.org>
- Scan print items and deliver electronically to patrons – on and off campus. Reduces driving to campus and photocopying/wasted paper.
- Set all printers to automatic 2-sided printing only or network to printers that can.
- Pay for Print - if people have to pay generally they will use less paper.
- Try **Greenprint** which gets rid of extra images, legal jargon, banners etc. Free for home use. (pay for mac or upgrades) <http://www.printgreener.com/>

- **Reduce Energy**

- Buy laptops: use 1/5 the energy of desktops - 45 watts vs 250 watts.
- Power down computers - more than about 30 minutes away, turn off computer or at least standby which uses only minimal power (6 watts). Of course if you are on a network at the office, you might need to keep it on for updates and patch installs – check with your IT folks for recommendations.
- Use power strips for turning off other electronic devices easily. Check out the Smart Strip: automatically switches devices on and off and uses less than one watt of power when fully energized.

- **Reduce Purchases & be FREE!**

These tools can be used to collaborate with others, for training w/o leaving the library, and for live conferencing with others whenever they are (free!).

- Free office software: offer more than documents – powerpoint show, reports, planner, repository, polling, chat, etc
  - Google docs: <http://docs.google.com>
  - Zoho: <http://www.zoho.com/>
  - Open office: <http://www.openoffice.org/>
- Create tutorials or screencasts for patrons - virtual tours, marketing the library, a how-to or guide, or for training staff (which also reduces need to travel!) - with freeware:
  - Great web site which discusses 10 free options: <http://www.webresourcesdepot.com/10-free-screen-recording-softwares-for-creating-attractive-screencasts/>
  - A number of us in the library have been using Jing which will host for you on their web site or you can download and host yourself. <http://www.jingproject.com/>
- Find existing tutorials (& share yours) great for training too so you don't have to leave the library:
  - Animated Tutorial Sharing Project: <http://ants.wetpaint.com/>
  - Find presentations <http://www.slideshare.net/>
  - Common Craft <http://www.commoncraft.com>
  - Find others on: [youtube.com](http://youtube.com) OR [vimeo.com](http://vimeo.com)