

PURCHASING

MISSION

To systemically favor the procurement of environmentally responsible products and engage with suppliers and campus partners to identify sustainable supply chains to reduce waste.

GOALS

1. Increase procurement of sustainable food products
2. Encourage purchasing of low- or zero-emissions vehicles
3. Evaluate mechanisms to effect Penn's emissions from air travel
4. Expand sustainable office equipment purchases, options, standards, and technology

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

500+

Items, since 2014, have been repurposed through the online exchange platform, **Ben's Attic**

6.9 Million

Sheets of paper have been moved to a more sustainable source saving 828 trees

3,912

Toner cartridges have been diverted from the landfill, saving 2,934 gallons of oil and averting 10,953.6 kg of CO₂



2018 Green Purchasing Award winner, the Furniture Reuse and Recycling Team, developed a system to divert used furniture from landfill for reuse across campus.