

**Virginia Green Initiative, Inc.**  
**Home & Tenant Based Scorecard 2022**

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ENERGY				Score
1	Have you researched sustainable source of energy (solar, wind, geothermal, etc.)?	Yes	No	1
2	Have you installed sustainable source of energy (solar, wind, geothermal, etc.)?	Yes	No	5
3	Do you turn off your computer, printer, monitor, task lights, etc. when leaving the office?	Yes	No	2
4	Do you have an energy conservation plan in place?	Yes	No	5
5	Do you unplug devices/equipment such as cell phone chargers, fans, scanners, television, etc.?	Yes	No	4
6	Do you make the most of natural light and turn off overhead and task lights when possible?	Yes	No	3
List up to 5 initiatives your business is undertaking (not mentioned above) to reduce use of fossil-fuel based energy.				
1				1
2				1
3				1
4				1
5				1
<b>Total Score</b>				<b>25</b>
<b>Did You Know?</b>				
<p>Dominion Energy Customers: Get a free home energy audit:  <a href="https://domsavings.com/va/rhea/?gclid=CjwKCAjw95yJBhAgEiwAmRrutKSWQ49qdFYtA2A224rDlr60uUP3NrG2m2BrLUCJ8wplzydLPeSgRoCZb8QavD_BwE">https://domsavings.com/va/rhea/?gclid=CjwKCAjw95yJBhAgEiwAmRrutKSWQ49qdFYtA2A224rDlr60uUP3NrG2m2BrLUCJ8wplzydLPeSgRoCZb8QavD_BwE</a> -</p> <p>You can receive an in-home energy assessment where a participating contractor examines the home and installs simple measures, while identifying other energy-saving opportunities.</p> <p>Federal Income Tax Credits and Other Incentives for Energy Efficiency  <a href="https://www.energystar.gov/about/federal_tax_credits">https://www.energystar.gov/about/federal_tax_credits</a></p> <p>Dominion Energy Customers:  <a href="https://domsavings.com/va/sbi/">https://domsavings.com/va/sbi/</a>            Find out where your business can save through an on-site energy assessment and receive incentives for making energy efficient improvements.</p> <p>Assess the energy efficiency of your home and see how it measures up:  <a href="https://www.energystar.gov/campaign/home-energy-yardstick">https://www.energystar.gov/campaign/home-energy-yardstick</a></p> <p>For NOVEC customers: Use their online assessment tool to show where you can conserve and/or save money - <a href="https://c03.apogee.net/mvc/home/hes?utilityname=novec">https://c03.apogee.net/mvc/home/hes?utilityname=novec</a></p> <p>The ENERGY STAR Home Advisor can help you improve your home's energy efficiency while adding comfort and value –  <a href="https://www.energystar.gov/campaign/assessYourHome">https://www.energystar.gov/campaign/assessYourHome</a></p>				

TRANSPORTATION				Score
1	Do you follow the Environmental Protection Agency's guidance for reducing automobile emissions?	Yes	No	2
2	Are your employees eligible for alternative scheduling such as flextime, telework or compressed work week schedules?	Yes	No	5
3	Do those who bicycle to your business have access to a bike rack and other appropriate bike parking or Electric Vehicle Charging Station?	Yes	No	5
4	Have you researched or added a hybrid/electrical vehicle to your business fleet?	Yes	No	5
5	Is your company using virtual technologies such as Go-To-Meeting, Zoom, etc., in order to reduce driving for staff/clients and allow telework?	Yes	No	3
List up to 5 initiatives your business is undertaking (not mentioned above) which minimize environmental damage from transportation.				
1				1
2				1
3				1
4				1
5				1
<b>Total Score</b>				<b>25</b>
<b>Did You Know?</b>				
There are steps you can take to reduce pollution from vehicles and engines – <a href="https://www.epa.gov/air-pollution-transportation/what-you-can-do-reduce-pollution-vehicles-and-engines">https://www.epa.gov/air-pollution-transportation/what-you-can-do-reduce-pollution-vehicles-and-engines</a>				

WASTE & RECYCLING				Score
1	Do you have a business recycling plan and practice in place?	Yes	No	5
2	Do you have a waste reduction goal in place?	Yes	No	5
3	Does your company provide recycling bins to its employees and customers?	Yes	No	5
4	Does your company recycle its office supplies & equipment?	Yes	No	5
List up to 5 initiatives your business is undertaking (not mentioned above) to reduce its use of fossil-fuel based energy.				
1				1
2				1
3				1
4				1
5				1
<b>Total Score</b>				<b>25</b>
<b>Did You Know?</b>				
EPA Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle tips – <a href="https://www.epa.gov/recycle">https://www.epa.gov/recycle</a>				



**WATER CONSERVATION**

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**Score**

1	Do you regularly inspect faucets, fixtures and toilets for water leaks and then promptly make necessary repairs?	Yes	No	5
2	Does your workplace use water saving technologies such as low flow faucets, aerators, shower heads, water efficient toilets, etc.?	Yes	No	5
3	Do you conserve water by turning the faucet 100% hot when waiting for hot water and then mix with cold once the water is hot?	Yes	No	5
4	Have you replaced plastic bottled water with reusable bottles?	Yes	No	5

List up to 5 ways (not mentioned above) your business is reducing its impact on water such as reducing use, managing run-off, impacting customers' or suppliers' use or other.

1				1
2				1
3				1
4				1
5				1

**Total Score** **25**

**Did You Know?**

Rain barrels are a great way to prevent water runoff, save water during the summer;

Planting Native Plants to prevent water runoff, feed local insects and butterflies which in turn feed our native birds;

EPA water conservation tips for residents –

[https://www3.epa.gov/region1/eco/drinkwater/water\\_conservation\\_residents.html](https://www3.epa.gov/region1/eco/drinkwater/water_conservation_residents.html)

**PRODUCTS & SERVICES**

Category sponsored by Carol A. Kearney, Realtor  
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**Score**

1	Does your business use environmentally friendly products?	Yes	No	5
2	Do you use Smart-way shippers such as UPS and FedEx for deliveries? By doing so, you lower your customer's carbon footprint.	Yes	No	5
3	Have you researched or installed Purple Aire Quality monitoring system? Have you researched or installed any air quality monitoring devices such as Purple Aire Quality monitoring system?	Yes	No	5
4	Do you encourage your clients to use environmentally friendly products?	Yes	No	5

List up to 5 initiatives your business is undertaking (not mentioned above) to reduce environmental impact of its products and/or services.

1				1
2				1
3				1
4				1
5				1

**Total Score** **25**

**Did You Know?**

For sustainable products and services visit EPA website –  
<https://www.epa.gov/greenerproducts>



**EDUCATION & OUTREACH**

**Score**

**Category sponsored by Little Tree Huggers, LLC  
Earth Centered Education for Preschoolers  
(VGI Platinum Award Winners since 2014)**

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1	Have you attended an educational session (online or in person) regarding energy, transportation, waste & recycling, water conservation or products and services in the last 12 months?	Yes	No	5
2	Have you shared information regarding any aspect of environmental sustainability with clients/customers?	Yes	No	5
3	Have you attended a sustainable business event this year?	Yes	No	5
4	Has your company organized or participated in a community event related to sustainability?	Yes	No	5
List up to 5 education & outreach initiatives your business is undertaking (not mentioned above) which minimize environmental damage from transportation.				
1				1
2				1
3				1
4				1
5				1
<b>Total Score</b>				<b>25</b>
<b>Did You Know?</b>				
Increase employee's participation in your sustainability program by creating monthly sustainability newsletters highlighting/recognizing individuals' accomplishments towards sustainability.				
<b>Total Possible Score</b>				<b>150</b>
<b>Where did you hear about the Virginia Green Initiative?</b>				

**Award levels**

125 – 150 Points	Platinum
100 – 124 Points	Gold
75 – 99 Points	Silver
50 – 74 Points	Certification