



# Virginia Green Historic Sites



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## Historic St Luke's Church Museum Smithfield, VA



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**Virginia Green** is the Commonwealth of Virginia's campaign to promote environmentally-friendly practices in all aspects of Virginia's tourism industry. **Virginia Green** has established "core activities" specific to each sector of tourism, and these practices are considered the required minimum for participation in the program. However, **Virginia Green** encourages its participants to reduce their environmental impacts in all aspects of their operations, and this profile provides a full list of all their "green" activities. These are the activities that guests / customers can expect to find when they visit this facility.

## Historic St Luke's Church Museum

Historic St. Luke's Restoration is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that does not receive any state, federal, or municipal funding, and seeks to fulfill its ongoing mission in educating the public through interpretation of its 17th century historic site and educational programming.

We hope to further our audience by providing a green atmosphere for our guests and stakeholders.

For more 'green' specific information : [www.historicstlukes.org](http://www.historicstlukes.org)

### Virginia Green Activities

#### This facility pledges that they:

##### Recycle.

- Glass bottles
- Cardboard
- Plastic bottles
- Aluminum cans
- Steel cans
- Newspapers
- Office paper
- Fluorescent lamps (may be required by law)
- Batteries (may be required by law for NiCad and Lead-Acid)

- Electronics equipment - computers, etc. (may be required law)

### **Minimize the use of disposable food service products.**

- Use disposable food service items that are made with recycled content
- Use disposable food service items that are recyclable in your area
- Please list the disposable food service products that are used at your facility: (*required for Virginia Green*) Utensils and other kitchenware.

### **Reduce solid waste.**

- Track overall solid waste costs (*required for Virginia Green*)
- Have a numeric goal to reduce overall materials that go to the landfill  
Kitchen (or during meetings/events)
- Have an effective food inventory control system to minimize waste  
Dining room (or during meetings/events)
- Use bulk soap dispensers in public restrooms
- Purchase recycled-content paper-towels and toilet paper  
Office
- Remove facility and staff names from junk mail lists when possible
- Use refillable pens and toner cartridges
- Purchase recycled paper with a high-percentage recycled content
- Use electronic correspondence and forms when possible  
Buildings and grounds
- Properly recycle and/or dispose of thinners and solvents (required by law)
- Perform preventative maintenance on all appliances, HVAC systems, plumbing, and vehicles
- Use integrated pest management (IPM)
- Minimize use of pesticides and herbicides in landscaping

### **Use water efficiently.**

- Track overall water usage and wastewater costs (*required for Virginia Green*)
- Perform preventative maintenance to stop drips and leaks
- Have an effective landscape management plan that includes one or more of the following:
  - Utilizes native species
- Have an effective stormwater management plan that includes one or more of the following:
  - Minimization of impervious areas (paving, concrete, etc.)
- Have installed drip line irrigation

### **Conserve energy.**

- Track overall energy bills (*required for Virginia Green*)
- Keep office doors and windows closed if HVAC system is on
- Have adopted a policy/practice to turn off lights in unoccupied rooms
- Have installed high efficiency fluorescent ballasts and lamps (T-5 and T-8)
- Have adopted a policy/practice to minimize the use of lighting during night cleaning  
Appliances and electronic devices

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## Offer a green events package

- We do not host conferences or events



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For more information on **Historic St Luke's Church Museum**, see [www.historicstlukes.org](http://www.historicstlukes.org) or contact Todd Ballance at [tballance@historicstlukes.org](mailto:tballance@historicstlukes.org) or 757-357-3367.

For more information on the Virginia Green program, see [www.deq.state.va.us/Programs/PollutionPrevention/VirginiaGreen.aspx](http://www.deq.state.va.us/Programs/PollutionPrevention/VirginiaGreen.aspx).



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