

YOU AND YOUR BUSINESS CAN BE RECOGNIZED BY YOUR CUSTOMERS & THE COMMUNITY AS A GRAYSLAKE SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS AND COULD SAVE MONEY TOO!

Grayslake Sustainable Businesses will receive public recognition from the Village for their efforts in increasing their sustainability in a variety of ways including through the Village's website, press releases, and receipt of a Grayslake Sustainable Business award to display at the business's location. Grayslake Sustainable Businesses will also have exclusive rights to use the Grayslake Sustainable Business logo in their advertising programs.

To be eligible to begin the Grayslake Sustainable Business program, a business **must first take advantage of the free recycling services** provided by the Village's commercial franchise for waste hauling. Once your business is eligible, you can become one of the following sustainable business classes:

Begin down the path to sustainability and become **Silver Level Grayslake Sustainable Business** by taking advantage of and implementing **two (2)** of the list of sustainable business items.

Show your true commitment to building a sustainable business a **Gold Level Grayslake Sustainable Business** by taking advantage of and implementing **four (4)** of the list of sustainable business items.

Achieve the highest level of sustainability for your business and become a **Platinum Level Grayslake Sustainable Business** by taking advantage of and implementing **six (6) or more** of the list of sustainable business items.

The following list provides projects and services that count towards designation as a Grayslake Sustainable Business:

- Have an energy audit conducted on your business
- Install interior lighting upgrades (LED)
- Install exterior lighting upgrades (LED)
- Install motion sensor lighting
- Implement commercial food scrap composting program provided by commercial franchise for waste hauling (automatic Silver designation)
- Introduce compostable dishware / silverware in your restaurant / cafeteria
- Recycle at a rate that leads to utilization of enhanced recycling services beyond the free service
- Install an energy efficient thermostat
- Program / install an unoccupied temperature setback thermostat
- Have HVAC / Water boilers upgraded to more energy efficient models
- Install motion sensor water taps
- Install solar power system for business (automatic Gold designation)



- Install wind power system for business (automatic Gold designation)
- Install geothermal power systems for business (automatic Gold designation)
- Achieve certification in the Openlands Conservation@Home program
- Plant native trees or other native plantings on your business site
- Upgrade to a green fleet (electric, natural gas, biodiesel etc.) (automatic Platinum designation)
- Other projects to increase sustainability as approved by the Village

For more information on becoming a Grayslake Sustainable Business, contact Chase Muscato at Village Hall (847) 223-8515 or at cmuscato@villageofgrayslake.com

Submit documentation that you have implemented any of the sustainable business items (receipts, audit results, confirmation of added services, bills) to begin building towards becoming a Grayslake Sustainable Business! Businesses who have already implemented any of these projects / services may submit documentation and receive retroactive credit towards becoming a Grayslake Sustainable Business.

