



Green Initiatives



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Meetings happen all over the country, but at the Huntington Convention Center of Cleveland, we live and breathe green. We welcome you to experience our comprehensive sustainability plan supported by an eco-friendly design.

So, what's so green about our Center?

Certified & Committed

With a commitment to conserve resources, implement recycling initiatives, and use eco-friendly practices, our Center is a proud holder of the LEED Gold Certification. We are also a participant in the Cleveland 2030 District, which is a movement dedicated to building new, high-performance districts that reduce environmental impact.

We Take Green Seriously

When we say green, we mean both literally and figuratively. Our Center lives under a 4-acre green rooftop that makes up our outdoor space (or as we call them - Malls B & C). The green roof not only exposes a breathtaking view of Lake Erie, but also reduces combined sewer overflow by incorporating plant life and solid materials that efficiently filter stormwater.

We Have a Farm - *The Real Farmville*

Created by our exclusive food and beverage provider, Levy Restaurants, The Real Farmville is home to both animals and plants that generate herbs, veggies, eggs, and honey. In 2023, over 2,500 lbs. of food scraps were diverted to feed our pigs. Annually, we harvest more than 2,000 lbs. of honey produced by roughly 1 million bees. When our chefs aren't hard at work manicuring the farm, they're sourcing organic, hormone-free produce from The Chef's Garden, pioneered by local farmer, Farmer Lee Jones.

Grinding for Green

Our Center has an in-house Grind2Energy system that allows us to divert food scraps from landfills by grinding, storing, and removing them. The leftovers are then converted to energy, natural gas, electricity, and soil nutrients. In 2023, the Grind2Energy program successfully converted over 25,000 lbs. of food scrap slurry into energy.

Fun Fact: In 2023, we converted 25,000 lbs. of food scraps to .7 tons of fertilizer.



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Smart Lighting

Our state-of-the-art lighting control systems are smarter than ever and are programmed to take advantage of extensive natural light. They do this by turning off automatically if a room is unoccupied to preserve energy.

Utilizing Natural Resources

Our Center was designed to take advantage of the earth's geothermal and insulating properties. The properties help naturally reduce heat loss and more efficiently maintain steady temperatures.

You've Heard It. We've Done It.

Reduce. Reuse. Recycle.

At our Center, we don't just hear or say these iconic phrases, we implement them. Our team is committed to these sustainable efforts by strategically placing recycle bins made from landfill recycled milk jugs throughout the Center, using eco-friendly cleaning products, limiting in-house printing, eliminating plastic bottles with our water re-fill stations, donating items, and recycling badge holders.

Fun Fact: In 2023, we reduced our carbon footprint by over 20,500 miles.

Words of Encouragement

We encourage our team and attendees to use alternative modes of transportation. For convenience, there are 275 bike rack spaces located outside of our Center, as well as nearby RTA bus lines & transportation. With a central downtown location, our Center provides a convenient walkable solution to nearby restaurants, hotels, and activities. In addition, we partner with clients to donate materials left behind. In 2023, 10,000 lbs. were accumulated post-event and donated to numerous nonprofits like Habitat for Humanity.

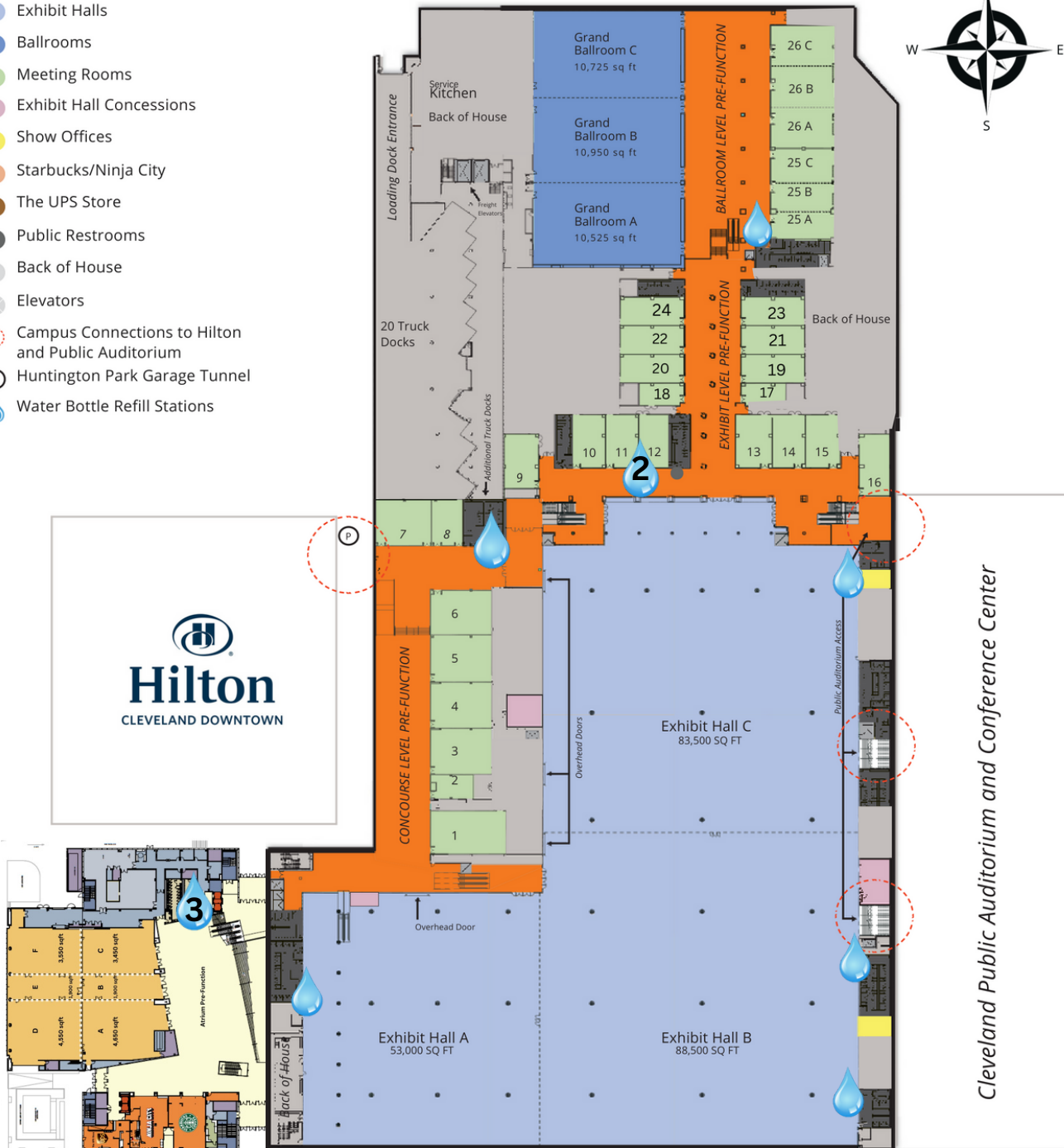


WaterRe-Fills

Water Re-Fill Stations That Recycle

To help reduce the use of plastic bottles, we have 11 strategically placed water re-fill stations that have replaced 57,155 bottles annually. Check out our map below to find them.

- Exhibit Halls
- Ballrooms
- Meeting Rooms
- Exhibit Hall Concessions
- Show Offices
- Starbucks/Ninja City
- The UPS Store
- Public Restrooms
- Back of House
- Elevators
- Campus Connections to Hilton and Public Auditorium
- P Huntington Park Garage Tunnel
- 💧 Water Bottle Refill Stations



Cleveland Public Auditorium and Conference Center

