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CareCarbon

"CareVet Teams are dedicated to reducing our carbon pawprint while pursuing best medicine"

SUSTAINABILITY NEWS!

Welcome!

Whether you are new to CareVet or new to the net-zero sustainability campaign, this newsletter will help serve as a way to stay up-to-date on programs and initiatives going on throughout the network, as well as, things you and your team can do right now to make your hospital more sustainable!



Program Recap:

CareVet has set its eyes on becoming Carbon Neutral with an ambitious goal of 2026. Last year the program was introduced to many of you. The rest of you may have just recently been introduced, so you may be asking what is involved? What about the things that were discussed at MAP 2024? This month we will begin the implementation of new hospital efficiencies network wide. We'll be taking the time to look at each hospital's individual energy and water usage, to help us better understand what we can do for each hospital, in a unique manner.

Things To Look Out For: April – May

- Welcome Boxes (If not received already, should be receiving in coming month)
- Follow-ups and introductions to sustainability invoicing rollout options
- Hospital efficiency surveys
- Team sustainability surveys
- Team merchandise order surveys
- Emails regarding the installation of recycling, if your hospital has yet to start

Arbor Day Foundation Partnership:

CareVet has partnered with the Arbor Day Foundation to help us achieve our goal of carbon neutrality in such an ambitious time-frame! Together we will aim to help plant/preserve 200,000+ Trees, with a continual partnership in the years to come!



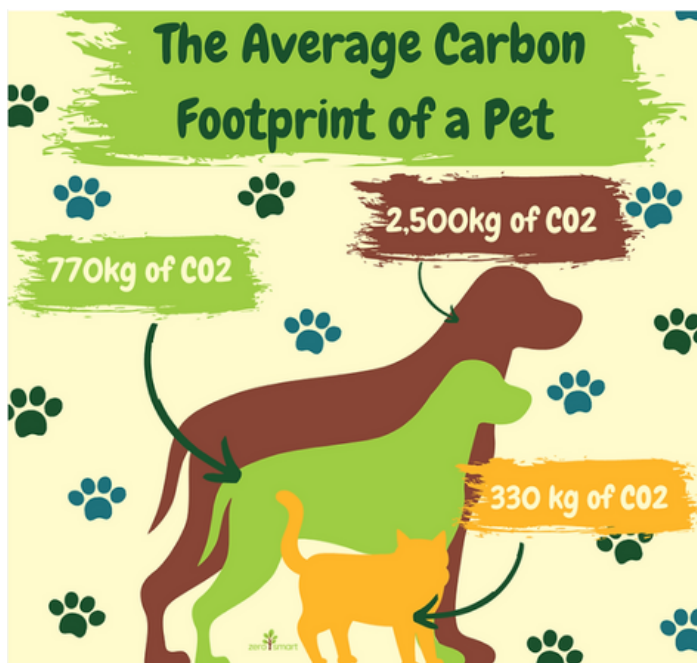
What can you do right now?

- Start recycling at your home! One of the easiest ways to bring sustainable habits into your work lifestyle is to start practicing in the comfort of your home!
- Start a collection of empty pet food bags for your clients and team members! These can be recycled 99% of the time!
- Start using a reusable water bottle or mug at work/home! Try to eliminate as much single-use plastic (for example: water bottles) from your daily lifestyle as possible!
- Send in pictures of your team members participating in sustainability practices for shoutouts in the monthly newsletter, as well as, chances to win team lunches and prizes!
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Sustainability Practices Your Team Can Start Today!



- Place recycling bins in easily accessible locations!
- Break down cardboard and recycle at your nearest recycling location!
- Unplug non-essential devices when not in use!
- Turn off non-essential lights when not in use!
- Be aware of water usage and pay attention to how often faucets are left running!
- Reduce order frequency for office supplies and medication orders, to reduce packaging and waste!
- Client education, come up with your own signage to display around the waiting room! We have some available as well, upon request!
- Only run dishwashers and laundry machines when loads are full or items are needed! This will help reduce water usage!



"There is no such thing as 'away', when we throw anything away it must go somewhere. When we put the whole picture together, recycling is the right thing to do." -Annie Leonard, Sustainability Advocate

- Reach out to your sustainability lead, Christian Thornberry, with any questions or concerns you may have about the program so far or about the future!
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