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OEP is Working to Save COSA Dollars

Energy savings potential is everywhere and the Office of Environmental Policy (OEP) is looking at city facilities to determine what can be done to eliminate waste and save money. Technologies such as lighting and air conditioning consume the majority of our energy resources and they are constantly being updated to run more efficiently. With a simple energy audit a building's current consumption can be determined and compared to expected savings after improvements are made. This process reflects a win-win for the city where we can save money and create local jobs, while at the same time making our facilities work better.

OEP is Hiring!

Our office is hard at work trying to promote environmental initiatives locally and we are looking for enthusiastic new staff to help us in our efforts. OEP deals with a wide range of sustainability issues that include energy and water savings, building performance, transportation, and green jobs. We are currently hiring for the following positions: Bike/Pedestrian Coordinator and Energy Conservation Coordinator. These are both classified at the Senior Management Analyst level and detailed job descriptions are available on the COSA website as well as CareerBuilder.com. Please take a look at these positions and feel free to apply.

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More Details: <https://ww4.sanantonio.gov/jobs/jobVacs/openPositions.aspx>



"Green" your Holiday Routine

The holiday season is a time for us to unite with family spend time with the people we care most about. However, they are also often a time of increased waste and consumption. Fortunately, there is information about how to cut back on the use of energy and other precious resources while staying in the holiday spirit. Take some time to look over this fun and helpful information from the US EPA and the Earth Ways Center. Included are conservation suggestions for gift wrapping, decorations, homemade presents, and more.

More Details: <http://www.earthwayscenter.org/> & <http://www.epa.gov/>

Goetting wins 2008 Engineer of Year Award

Goetting & Associates is the 2008 recipient of the Engineer of the Year Award presented by the General Contractors of America San Antonio Chapter. Goetting has been in operation since 1973 and their clients include private, government, and academic institutions throughout the state of Texas. They have extensive experience with green and environmental projects including the LEED Gold-Certified Conference Center at Zachry Construction. In addition, they have several LEED® accredited professionals well as a number of experienced energy modelers on their staff. Goetting President and CEO is City Council Member Louis Rowe, who represents District 9 as well and serves on the mayor's Task Force on Sustainable Buildings. Overall, through private and public service, the staff at Goetting have taken an active role in determining the city's development future and are leading the way in sustainable building practices. Congratulations!

More Details: <http://www.goetting.com/index.php>

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