



# Ontario Public Service (OPS) Green Transformation Strategy

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The OPS Green Office was created in September 2008 to help the government:

- further reduce its environmental footprint by greening internal government operations, and
- be a leader for other employers in Ontario





### **OPS Green Transformation Strategy**

The OPS Green Transformation Strategy was approved in 2009 and established targets and action areas to reduce the environmental footprint of the Ontario Public Service

#### **Targeted Reductions**

- Enterprise-wide actions and individual ministries' innovations -> results
- GHG reductions reduced air travel and fuel use, I&IT power management and server consolidation
- Paper reduction and e-waste diversion

#### **Green Business Practices**

- Electronic business displacing paper-intensive processes -> less waste, more efficiency
- Innovative renewable energy projects (e.g. solar/wind at remote northern sites) piloted

A Green
Ontario Public
Service

#### **Green OPS Culture**

- Multi-year green plans in place, integrated with DM performance commitments
- OPS recognized as one of Canada's Greenest Employers three years in a row

### **OPS Green Print Strategy and Paper Reduction**

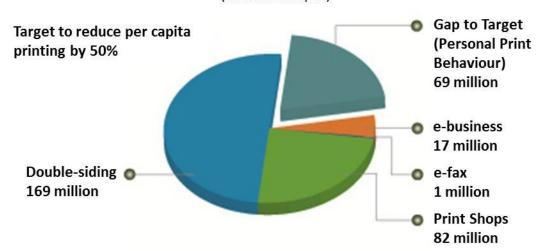


- Reduce paper use by 50 per cent
- Eliminate more than 13,000 print devices
- Save **4.53 million kWh** per year



#### Print Avoidance - Achievements to Date

(Sheets of Paper)



e-Business transformation helps the OPS capture the efficiency and environmental benefits of print and paper reduction

#### e-Business Transformation – Ministry Innovations





#### **Electronic Distribution**

- ✓ Ontario Police College e-materials for new recruits saves 450,000 sheets of paper per year.
- ✓ OPP Eight Day Board pilot project replaced a paper-intensive process saving 450,000 sheets of paper per year

#### **Modernizing Government Processes**

- ✓ ServiceOntario offers more than 40 services online and has 1,300 electronic public forms available
- ✓ MOE Freedom of Information electronic records management saves 750,000 sheets of paper per year
- ✓ MCSS Family Responsibility Office electronic Federal Support Deduction Notices saves 165,000 sheets of paper per year





#### **Paperless Meetings**

✓ MOF Paperless Senior Management Committee meetings saves
 1.4M sheets of paper per year

### e-Business Transformation – Greening Legal Services at MCSCS

The Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services Legal Services Branch has adopted an innovative strategy to reduce paper and storage

- ✓ Recycled more than 400 tonnes of paper
- ✓ Reduced its high density storage area by 50 per cent
- ✓ Discontinued **90 per cent** of paper-based legal subscriptions and ordered electronic versions
- ✓ Streamlined access to legal reference materials by uploading them to an electronic platform on the branch's shared drive



## Smart Travel – Fuel Efficiency

- ✓ Reduced fuel consumption by 4.5 million litres since 2007
- ✓ OPS fleet includes 1,125 hybrids and 34 electric vehicles with 36 charging stations
- √ 4 100% electric ATVs in provincial parks
- ✓ 19 OPS Fleet Vehicle Pool locations across the province with a Rideshare program available to staff
- ✓ Anti-idling technology in 68 fleet vehicles

"I regularly use the test idle cars. I like them. They work well, they save gas, and it's something I would like to see more of... The other day I was parked at a scene that required I have my lights on. My car idled there for three hours. I was using a normal car. If I had the idle car I could have saved 12 litres and \$15!"

Provincial Constable David A. Brown, Huronia West OPP







## **Smart Travel – Virtual Meetings**





Boardroom Video Conference





An integrated, seamless virtual meeting service is available to OPS employees to reduce air and vehicle travel







## **OPS Green Office Events and Campaigns**





























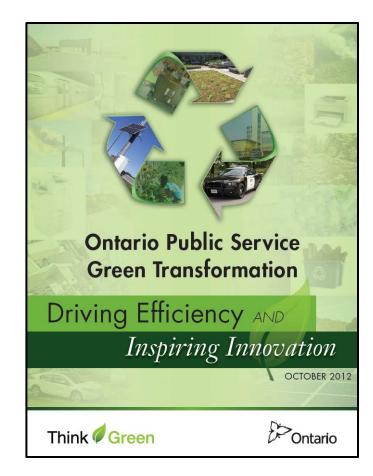




Leverage employee interest to change behaviours and workplace culture

## **OPS Green Transformation Progress Report**

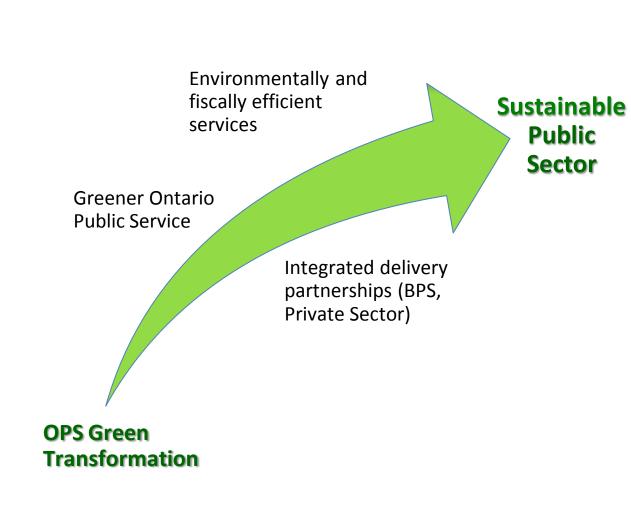
- This internal report celebrates the successes we have made to green the OPS
- Big and small, these changes are making a difference in reducing the environmental impact and improving the efficiency of our operations
  - ✓ Green our internal operations
    - Greening our fleet
    - Conserving energy
    - Travelling smarter
    - Managing our waste and going paperless
  - ✓ Green our public services and programs
    - Delivering more efficient and accessible public services
    - Developing green innovative partnerships
    - Greening in the Broader Public Sector
  - ✓ Build a green culture in the OPS
    - OPS Green Ideas Campaign
    - Green Teams



## **Sustainability – Moving Forward**

## Building on achievements to date, the OPS will:

- Lead by example by reducing OPS environmental footprint
- Foster innovation through adoption of green technology and efficient processes
- Advance energy conservation
- Expand engagement with BPS and other partners to create a greener public sector
- Ensure sustainability initiatives support fiscal responsibility and improved service delivery



#### Be A Green Leader!



#### **Implement Green Business Practices**

- Reduce travel and save fuel through virtual meetings
- Reduce paper use through electronic processes
- Implement paperless meetings
- Work with building owner/manager to conserve energy (e.g. lighting) and increase waste diversion (organic bins)

#### **Green your workplace**

- Implement green projects and initiatives
- Encourage green changes in employee behaviour
- Start a green team

#### Raise environmental awareness

- Host events and other activities within
- Communicate achievements and profile results

#### **Champion green leadership**

- Develop organizational performance commitments
- Share best practices and lessons learned with peers



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