

Our Environmental Commitment

University Hospitals is committed to sustainability to enhance the health and well-being of our patients, employees and local community, and to steward our natural environment. Through the integration of social, economic and environmental considerations into our business decisions, we will:

- Instill environmental responsibility as a corporate value
- Incorporate environmental considerations into building design, construction and renovation strategies
- Minimize waste through source reduction, reuse, recycling and composting programs, and ensure waste is disposed in a safe and responsible manner
- Employ environmentally preferable purchasing criteria for products and services, selecting healthy and safe products, minimizing the use of nonrenewable resources, and supporting our local and regional economy
- Provide nutritious food that is sustainably produced
- Improve energy efficiency and conservation within our operations, and support environmentally safe, cost-effective and sustainable energy sources

- Improve water efficiency and conservation within our operations
- Minimize harmful emissions into the air, water and earth
- Inform and engage employees in our sustainability efforts through training and education programs
- Actively engage with expert organizations to continuously improve our knowledge of best sustainable business practices
- Extend our environmental commitment beyond the walls of UH to support the sustainable development of neighborhoods we serve
- Monitor, evaluate and report on our sustainability efforts

As a leading health system, we know our decisions impact the cultural, economic and physical landscape of Northeast Ohio and resonate on a national and global level. We are committed to communicating our values to the next generation of health care providers, sharing best practices with our peer institutions and employing innovative strategies to become a leader in sustainable health care all while fulfilling our mission:

To Heal. To Teach. To Discover.



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Thomas F. Zenty III'.

Thomas F. Zenty III
Chief Executive Officer
University Hospitals