

MONTGOMERY COUNTY Marc Elrich, County Executive

## Procurement of Recycled Paper and other Recycled Materials

Fiscal Year 2022 July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022

## **Overview**

This report describes Montgomery County's efforts to purchase goods containing recycled materials during Fiscal Year 2022. The report includes a summary of the required County Code submissions and charts representing purchases of recycled paper, paper products and recycled materials.

The summary includes the following information:

- (1) The dollar value of recycled products purchased,
- (2) The dollar value of recycled and non-recycled paper purchased,
- (3) Any other relevant information.

The chart presents the following information on the County's recycled paper efforts:

(A) Purchase of recycled paper by recycled content

The County's Department of General Services separately issues an annual Energy and Sustainability report for County Operations.

## Summary

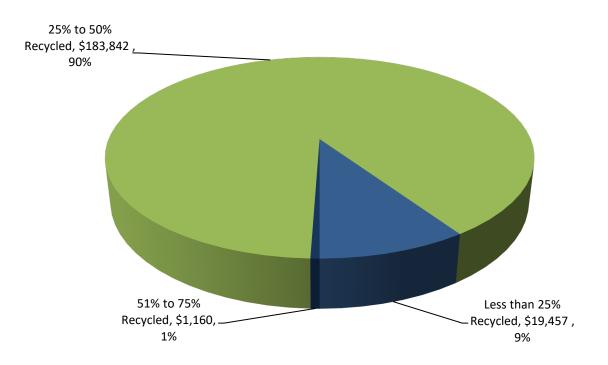
The County Code Chapter 11B-56(e) requires the Director of the Office of Procurement, in consultation with the Director of the Department of Environmental Protection, to submit a report to the County Executive and to the County Council each year which describes the County's efforts to purchase materials with recycled content. This report describes the County's recycled effort for Fiscal Year 2022:

- (1) The total dollar value of identified recycled products purchased during FY22 was \$14,067,963 and included:
  - (A) \$12,860,500 for asphalt and bituminous concrete; bituminous concrete may consist of 25% recycled material;
  - (B) \$204,459 for recycled paper;
  - (C) \$190,073 for recycled office supplies purchased through the County's LSBRP contract with Benjamin Office Supplies;
  - (D) \$11,111 Reproduction and Copying of Engineering Drawings having a recycled content of 3%;
  - (E) \$786,820 for plastic recycling bins/carts, and having a recycled content of 15%; and
  - (F) \$15,000 for record storage boxes having a recycled content up to 30%.
- (2) The dollar value of recycled paper and paper products purchased in FY22 was \$204,459. The dollar value of recycled paper purchased with:
  - (A) 75% or more recycled content was \$0.00;
  - (B) between 51% and 75% recycled content was \$1,160 or 1% of the total;
  - (C)between 25% and 50% recycled content was \$183,842 or 90% of the total; and
  - (D)less than 25% recycled content was \$19,457 or 9% of the total.

Recycled paper products purchased included forms, envelopes, tabloids, brochures, tickets, parking stickers, mailers, bond paper, boxes, computer paper, maps, business cards, and various printing papers.

The dollar value of non-recycled paper and paper products purchased in FY22 was \$363,484.

- (3) Any other relevant information:
  - (A) This office will continue to participate in the Council of Governments (COG), Interagency Procurement Coordinating Committee (IPCC) and Maryland Public Purchasing Association (MPPA). We will continue collaborating with other regional jurisdictions on trends and best practices related to recycling and environmentally friendly products; and
  - (B) Include in future contracts or solicitations, where appropriate, environmentally friendly specifications/services.



Paper Purchases in FY22 by Recycled Content



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