



The Episcopal Church of the Epiphany

ASPIRATIONS TOWARDS ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

Consistent with the Episcopal Diocese [2022 Annual Council Resolutions](#), the 2023 Epiphany Vestry unanimously approved the following:

Be it resolved that all new construction of Diocesan and Parish facilities shall, insofar as practicable, encourage improved environmental and health performance starting in 2025; and be it further

Resolved, that all new and renovated landscaping shall emphasize, insofar as practicable, native vegetation, non-invasive species, and low input (chemicals and water) plantings; and be it further

Resolved, that the Diocese shall support the establishment of a faith-based, sustainable development program designed to educate both international and local parish partners in environmental stewardship, best practices in asset-based community development (ABCD), and the importance of climate resilience; and be it further

Resolved, that all Diocesan facilities and associated parish programs shall refrain from single use products (such as non-recyclable plastic utensils, plastic straws, and Styrofoam products) whenever possible; and be it further

Resolved, that all parishes and diocesan facilities are encouraged to explore ways to work towards carbon neutrality.

Approved, February 11, 2023