





# ARIZONA "CERTIFIED GREEN LODGING" PROGRAM FACT SHEET

# What is the Certified Green Program?

To become "Certified" properties download a workbook that allots points for different Green practices. Each property must achieve a minimum of 150 points in 15 different categories. This certification is valid for two years, when properties must re-apply and show an increase in Green practices while scoring a minimum of 200 points. The Certification workbook is available for download at: <a href="https://www.azhla.com/green">www.azhla.com/green</a> and that site also lists the 20 hotels currently certified.

# Why the Program Was Created:

This new program was developed due to the demand from hotel members looking for a consistent application that could measure Green hotel efforts.

# Who Manages the "Certified Green Lodging" Program?

The Arizona Hotel & Lodging Association manages the program in partnership with the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality and the Arizona Office of Tourism.

# What Does the Program Cost?

There is an annual fee to become certified ranging from \$150-\$500, depending on the property's number of rooms.

### **How Many Other States Have Certified Green Lodging Programs?**

Arizona is one of 26 states that have such programs, but Arizona is the only state whose program is managed and was initiated by the state's Lodging Association.

### What Are the Results?

We have done an informal survey of our properties participating in the program and found these impressive estimated recycling statistics resulting from the program's first year:

- $\bigcirc$  Cardboard = 44.3 tons X 10 = 443 tons (886,000 pounds)
- **a** Paper = 32.9 tons X 10 = 329 tons (658,000 pounds)
- Mixed metals, plastic, aluminum = 26.4 tons X 10 = 264 tons (528,000 pounds)

# What Properties are Currently "Certified Green"?

Arizona Grand Resort

Best Western Royal Sun Inn & Suites

Cat Mountain Lodge

**Enchantment Resort** 

Fairmont Scottsdale Princess

Havasu Dunes Resort

Hilton El Conquistador Golf & Tennis Resort

Hilton Garden Inn Phoenix/Avondale

Hotel Valley Ho

Loews Ventana Canyon

The Phoenician

Pointe Tapatio Cliffs Resort

Royal Palms Resort and Spa

Scottsdale Camelback Resort

Sedona Rouge

Tempe Mission Palms Hotel & Conference Center

Westin Kierland Resort & Spa

Westin La Paloma

Wyndham Sedona

Westward Look Resort