



OFFICE OF POLICY AND SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES

2020 SUSTAINABILITY REPORT

Environmental Benefits

6,696 lbs

food waste diverted from
landfill by TN State Parks
composting operations



2,205 tons

total CO₂ reductions resulting
from recycling and composting
efforts in TN State Parks



580 tons

recycled by TN State
Parks and visitors

60,638 lbs

pharmaceuticals
collected and diverted
from the waste stream



24,603 lbs

of food was served
through the Campus
Food Pantry Program



630 lbs of that food was rescued



\$12.6 million

in energy savings and

77,036 tons

of CO₂ emissions reduced through
projects funded by Clean Tennessee
Energy Grants since 2011



1,168,711

tires diverted from
landfill through TEAP

Education and Outreach



10,000

Reached at in-
person events

15,880

Reached through
TDEC's Virtual Summer
Camp

11,760

Reached through
Zero Waste Day

361

Reached
through
webinars



Partners in Stewardship

57

manufacturers committed to environmental stewardship through the TN Green Star Partnership



198

actions taken by Tennessee Sustainable Spirits members to enhance facility and community sustainability



800

students were served through the Campus Food Pantry Program



190

organizations taking action to reduce food waste as part of Get Food Smart TN



8,770

radon test kits distributed

Communication



1,492

Facebook Likes



18,119

Newsletter Subscribers



820

Listeners on The State of Sustainability Podcast

All metrics are representative of calendar year 2020, except where indicated.