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8TH ANNIVERSARY TENNESSEE GREEN STAR PARTNERSHIP HIGHLIGHT

The Tennessee Green Star Partnership is proud to celebrate another year of the Partnership with our 8th anniversary article. Our partners exemplify quality, integrity, and sustainability.

In 2024 we welcomed yet another excellent example of resource conservation, recycling, and community engagement. Clayton Morristown Lux Interior Doors builds all interior doors used in Clayton Home Building Group's 40 home building facilities across the United States. The facility has been in operation since 2021, and this year they joined the five Clayton facilities already in the TN Green Star Partnership.

In calendar year 2023 Green Star Partners collectively achieved impressive metrics such as diversion of over 78,000 tons of solid waste from the landfill, conserving over 92 million gallons of water and the reduction of well over 430 tons of hazardous materials. These milestones were accomplished while saving over \$2.2 million dollars.

Our annual [TDEC Pollution Prevention Industry Survey](#) is coming up and we would very much appreciate your input to help staff identify what technical assistance topics to provide through our pollution prevention webinars and workshops. One lucky participant will be drawn to win a \$50.00 gift card.

We would like to thank our many partners for their contributions to the survey this past year that informed our webinars and workshops and our Open Discussions series (our next one is January 13th).

- The TN Green Star Partnership now has 62 partners and is always growing.
- Providing networking and educational opportunities as well as technical assistance for our industrial partners implementing sustainable practices.
- Our existing partners continued to exemplify sustainable performance.
- The TN Green Star Partnership timeline can be found [HERE](#).



2024 Pollution Prevention Workshop

These resources featured varied and timely topics such as reducing the overall carbon footprint for your industry through energy efficiency, diligence regarding our natural resources, materials reuse and recycling.

Take the opportunity to review our [P2 Webinar and Workshop Series](#) topics from 2024. The set dates for our upcoming 2025 trainings are:

February 19th, 2025 - Webinar - [Register Here](#)

April 16th, 2025 - Webinar - [Register Here](#)

July 16th, 2025 - Webinar - [Register Here](#)

August 20th, 2025 - In-Person Pollution Prevention Workshop

October 15th, 2025 - Webinar - [Register Here](#)

The topics are to be determined but if you have suggestions, please email us at TGS.Partnership@tn.gov.

The Green Star Partners across the state are leading the way toward a more sustainable Tennessee. As we end the 11th year of the partnership, the Office of Sustainable Practices takes this opportunity to thank our partners once again for all they do.



Celebrating our latest partner industry, Clayton Supply - Lux Doors.

We offer a convenient way to review all of the 2024 highlight articles including our newest partner:



[The Suppliers Partnership for the Environment](#)

The Suppliers Partnership for the Environment provides a forum for global vehicle manufacturers and their large and small suppliers to work together toward a shared vision of an automotive industry with positive environmental impact.



[Clayton Supply - Lux Doors](#)

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[La-Z-Boy](#)



Since its establishment in 1973, La-Z-Boy's manufacturing facility in Dayton, TN has evolved into a beacon of sustainable practices while maintaining its reputation for crafting comfortable furniture. With approximately 1,400 dedicated employees, the facility operates as the largest employer in Rhea County, embodying the spirit of skilled craftsmanship and community engagement.

[Lodge Cast Iron](#)



Lodge Cast Iron is one of our oldest partners, having been a Tennessee Green Star Partner since 2003. They are a family-owned business that has been making cast iron cookware in South Pittsburg, TN since 1896. Their core product lines are seasoned cast iron, enameled cast iron, and seasoned carbon steel, which are sold at their four retail stores in Tennessee and Alabama, and through other small and major retailers throughout the world.

The [Tennessee Green Star Partnership](#) is a voluntary environmental leadership program designed to recognize industries in the state that are committed to sustainable practices. If you are interested in joining other sustainable industries in Tennessee by becoming a member, please contact us.