

Seattle-Tacoma International Airport

ABM GreenCare[®] Green Cleaning and Waste Diversion

ABM has provided janitorial services and worked in partnership with Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (Sea-Tac) since 1968. The Port Environmental team has accepted the ABM GreenCare[®] Green Cleaning Program in substitution of GS-42 or CIMS Green Cleaning Certification.

CHALLENGE

As the 15th busiest airport in North America, this Government contract has experienced one of the highest passenger growth rates of any U.S. airport. ABM relies on extensive operational knowledge to navigate peak passenger flow rates, passenger consumables usage, and evolving waste management infrastructure. Operations require nearly 200 full-time employees, of which 30 percent are subcontractors classified as MWBE.



In addition to cleaning, ABM is tasked with positively increasing facility recycling rates. Moving far beyond blue desk-side recycling receptacles, our sustainability team helps meet our client's daily operational needs and long-term goals of improving on an award-winning waste diversion program.

SOLUTION

- GreenCare Level Three green cleaning program and associated documentation
- Waste diversion program analysis
- Daily oversight and ongoing staff training
- Point-of-disposal tracking for all receptacles by type, location, and waste stream
- Janitorial effectiveness reviews and waste diversion auditing of facility operations
- Utilization of electrolyzed water cleaning system

Recent Sea-Tac

Environmental Recognition:

- [Recycling award](#)
- [Environmental Achievement Award](#)
- [Waste prevention and recycling](#)

(Click each for more information.)

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BENEFIT

- Commitment to continuously improving service with new technology, tools and sustainable cleaning solutions.
- The documented Green Cleaning and Waste Diversion program support adapts to the changing facility and market demands.
- Client is kept in constant communication as ABM strives to continually improve service while reducing impact on the environment.



Recycling bins at Sea-Tac Airport.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Dedicated ABM Sustainability manager onsite since 2014
- Landfill diversion rates reached 33% in 2015, an increase of approximately 10% in past two years
- Waste sorting and auditing projects supporting solid waste management planning
- Regulated and hazardous waste collection, separation, and disposal
- Composting food waste and paper hand towels in tenant restrooms
- Green equipment, paper products, liners, and consumable purchases
- Checkpoint liquid waste collection, hauling, and disposal



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