



# Earth Day is *everyday* at Longmont United Hospital

## Changing The *Caring* Experience...

### Did you know that Longmont United Hospital...

- Utilizes a third party for the recycling of computers, monitors and medical batteries to keep these potentially hazardous materials out of local landfills
- Has installed 39 bike racks around the facility to encourage bicycle commuting
- Has recycled copper, steel, aluminum and brass from its own construction projects equaling \$16,252 in 2007
- Was awarded a rebate of \$51,697 from local utility companies for implementing innovative energy efficient equipment in the chiller plant
- Collects and donates surplus medical supplies to under-developed countries
- Collected 270 pounds of pharmaceuticals from the community, keeping them out of our drinking water
- Composts an average of 4,100 pounds of food each month, keeping it out of local landfills
- Received the Mercury Free award at the CleanMed conference in 2006
- Has become a completely tobacco-free campus
- Has appointed Recycling Coordinators in each department to implement a facility-wide recycling program to divert waste from local landfills
- Has installed low-flow plumbing fixtures to conserve water
- Has adopted electronic ballasts and high efficiency bulbs to conserve energy and received a rebate of \$12,267 from the City of Longmont for lighting retrofit
- Holds Longmont United Hospital "FreeCycle" to reduce the number of items going to local landfills
- Received 2007 Pioneer Award for leadership in business practices to reduce waste and pollution
- Has adopted standards for interior finishes (paints, carpets, etc.) that are low VOC, sustainable and/or require less harmful chemical maintenance
- Installed air-economizers to make their air-handling units more efficient
- Has implemented a purchasing policy that evaluates each product's recycle-ability
- Has begun to phase-in energy efficient flat screen monitors and televisions
- Implemented a "3-2-1 Campaign" to promote alternative ways to commute to Longmont United Hospital

**All while continuing to provide "Best in the Region" quality healthcare to our community!**