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Promoting happy, healthy and sustainable living at Hill House and beyond.



STOP!

Printing is costly and inconvenient, requiring expensive ink cartridges, paper, and new printers when they inevitably go wrong. All that paper becomes clutter that must be properly organized, or you'll never be able to find what you're looking for. You can't access it when you're away from your office, you can't search across it, and you only have one copy so you're in trouble if anything ever happens to it.



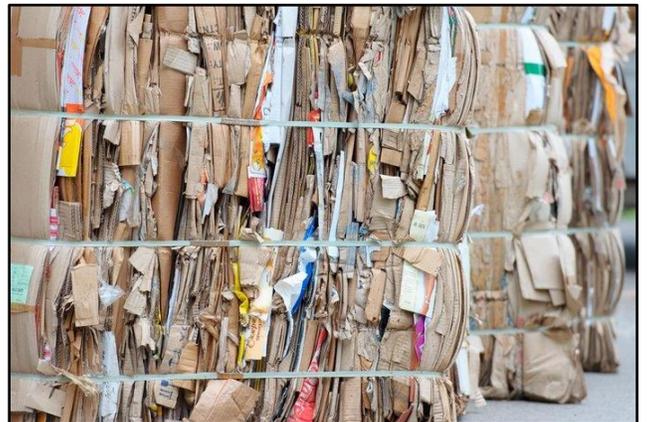
Stop and think before you PRINT!

Using too much paper is bad for our trees, as well as for landfill, the environment, and our health.

The paper industry pollutes our planet in pretty much every way possible: air, water, soil, etc. The paper and pulp industries are the fourth largest emitter of greenhouse gases and that's not even factoring in the damage to the environment from the loss of the trees.

Large scale paper production affects not only the air but also the world's lakes and rivers, too. The chemicals used to treat paper during development often make their way into local water supplies, endangering marine life.

While we should all recycle waste paper, recycling is not without its downsides too. The recycling process uses energy and chemicals. The best solution is to **reduce your paper consumption** to start with. Paper that doesn't get recycled ends up in landfill like everything else. As if that's not bad enough, as it decomposes, paper contributes to the release of methane gas, a greenhouse gas.



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Just think about how much printing we do every day - reports, forms, letters, records and other documents - we use massive amounts of paper and ink. If we all made a more concerted effort to reduce our paper usage by embracing all that digital technology has to offer, Hill House and our planet would be in a much better state. Changing our daily practices and reducing our paper usage could make a huge difference.

#MAKEONECHANGE



- Think twice before printing - can it be done digitally / online e.g. using an electronic signature, saved as a pdf, sent by email or accessed centrally through the Hill House SharePoint?
- Use recycled paper in the printer
- Make sure you send it to the right printer to avoid mistaken duplicates
- Print as few copies as possible
- Choose double-sided wherever possible
- Avoid using coloured ink
- Remember to pick it up!
- Recycle or reuse unwanted paper copies
- Recycle empty ink cartridges

What one change can you make today?

