



# SPARKY'S COFFEEHOUSE

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## ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

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Sparky's Coffee is owned by Jeremy and Claire Halsey.

We believe in sustainable practices and want to promote sustainable practices through our coffee shop. Sparky's Coffee is brewed with mainly naturally grown, fairly or directly traded beans. Coffees that we buy that are grown in rainforest climates are certified by the Rainforest Association.

We are continually looking for local contacts to buy merchandise to sell. We plan our upcoming product line suppliers based on their commitments to organic and fairly traded ingredients. Through the Coffeehouse we promote the concept of caring for the environment in conversations with our guests.

Sparky's Coffeehouse was opened in 2014. We have renovated an old building to all necessary regulatory standards for serving drinks. We furnished the premises with second- and third-hand furniture, recycling, reusing, and in some cases, repurposing pieces we already owned. We decorate our space with growing plants and rarely with cut flowers.

We purchased an energy efficient espresso machine. Our business decisions are based on the best method to conserve energy, water, as well as natural and financial resources. Our goal is to always make the most responsible decision by looking out for the future.

Sparky's Coffeehouse is committed to observing all laws and regulations governing the protection of the environment.

Sparky's Coffeehouse will continually seek to reduce its environmental footprint by looking for better ways to reduce its reliance on natural resources. One way we do this is by selling (reusable) knitted cup cozies, rather than purchasing disposable cardboard cup sleeves. Also, we don't use a Kegerator for single cup brews, which cuts down on plastic cup waste per use.

Sparky's current recycling projects include:

- composting coffee grounds and baking scraps and distributing compost to local farmers
- recycling paper, cardboard, plastics, glass, and metal
- encouraging customers' use of thermoses