



## Be Green at the Business Operations Conference

### **BYOB (Bring Your Own Bottle):**

Bring your own reusable water bottle to the conference to reduce disposable cup waste and packaging. The Westin meeting rooms are equipped with filtered water dispensers that make it easy to fill your bottle with clean, cold water.

### **Share the Love:**

Present a sustainability session at the conference to share what your campus is doing to "Go Green to Save Green".

### **Offset Your Travel:**

Use the link on the registration form to offset your travel or visit [Carbonfund.org](http://Carbonfund.org) at [www.carbonfund.org/Calculators/](http://www.carbonfund.org/Calculators/) to offset your travel separately.

### **Utilize Mass Transit:**

Check out CATS (Charlotte Areas Transit System) for economical and environmentally-friendly transportation: <http://charmbeck.org/city/charlotte/cats/Pages/default.aspx>. Also offered is the LYNX System for transportation: <http://www.lynxcharlotte.com/>

The light rail stops at the Westin, and the platform area is attached to the second floor. The Gold Rush trolley provides an opportunity for sightseeing on Tryon Street. For more information, visit: <http://www.charlottesgotalot.com/default.asp?charlotte=74>

### **Walkabout:**

The Charlotte Westin is located in the heart of Uptown within easy walking distance to restaurants, museums, and parks. Walk around Uptown to take advantage of the warm weather, get some exercise, and save money by skipping the rental car and/or taxis.

### **Skip Maid Service:**

The Charlotte Westin offers \$5 vouchers to use at hotel retail outlets (including Starbucks) for each day you pass on maid service, which saves water and energy and reduces the use of chemical cleaners.

### **Save Energy:**

Turn lights and electronics off when you leave your hotel room and unplug cell phone and laptop chargers. Even when the chargers aren't being used, they suck energy.

### **Eat Local:**

Check out local restaurants, like Radcliffe and Mimosa, in the Uptown area that serve local and organic foods.