

Scottsdale Healthcare goes green

Post Earth Day note: Innovation, collaboration and teamwork have enabled Scottsdale Healthcare's three hospitals to reduce millions of pounds of waste in local landfills.

Scottsdale Healthcare's efforts also include:

- » Establishing a Green and Sustainability Committee of employees and volunteers.

- » Replacing 40 pickup trucks with electric vehicles at all three hospital campuses.

- » Installing energy-efficient lighting in three parking garages, saving approximately \$82,000 annually.

- » Reusing, selling or donating thousands of surplus items rather than hauling them to a landfill. The items include furniture, cabinets and TVs to medical and exercise equipment.

- » Reducing natural gas consumption by 10 percent in its power plants.

- » Replacing 300 copy machines with new models using 40 percent less energy.