

# Environmental Sustainability Plan

Grampians Health is committed to reducing its impact on the environment whenever possible and wherever we operate.

Through energy-efficient systems, green building practices and waste reduction strategies, we aim to create an environmentally conscious healthcare service which not only benefits our community but also serves as a model for others in the industry.

By integrating the environment into our planning, operations and policy decisions we have an opportunity to strengthen our resilience and showcase our leadership to the broader community.

## Why do we need an Environmental Sustainability Plan?

This plan is a roadmap to address the impacts of climate change, demonstrating our commitment to the responsible use of environmental and financial resources by promoting resource efficiency and conservation by transitioning to a net-zero carbon and climate-resilient health service.

Below is a summary of some of our key goals in helping improve environmental sustainability across our healthcare services.

Resource efficiency	Resilient facilities	Sustainable Health Procurement and Financing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduce Grampians Health's climate footprint to improve our environmental impact by minimising carbon emissions and contributing to a greener future.</li> <li>Significantly reduce waste generation, focusing on prevention, reduction, recycling, and repurposing to minimise negative effects on human and environmental health.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improve overall operational efficiency in the transport and supply chain sectors.</li> <li>Providing new facilities that address the specific needs of the local communities and are designed to accommodate future models of care.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Decrease environmental impacts and greenhouse gas emissions by adopting less energy-intensive technologies and enhancing sustainable medical and food supply chains.</li> <li>Improve the use of financial resources and investment priorities and opportunities to adequately respond to the threat of climate change.</li> </ul>
Leadership	Sustainable Clinical Services	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improve resource use and environmental management to decrease greenhouse gas emissions, reducing our environmental impact and strengthening climate resilience.</li> <li>Develop and enhance the knowledge of our health and care workforce to respond to climate-related health risks.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create sustainable models of care and approaches to care delivery that encourage greater efficiency of resources.</li> </ul>	