

SUSTAINABILITY

Moore & Van Allen places a great deal of emphasis on incorporating green efforts into our workplace culture.

Most recently, we re-constructed an entire floor (15,471 square feet) in our Charlotte building, the Bank of America Corporate Center to become Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Certified. The overarching goal of the project was to provide a healthy work environment and demonstrate environmental leadership by achieving the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design for Commercial Interiors (LEED-CI) Gold certification. At the time of the accreditation, this project represented the single largest LEED-Certified space ever to be implemented in a law firm. In recognition of these efforts, Moore & Van Allen was a finalist for the Charlotte Business Journal's Green Awards in the Commercial Project of the Year category. The LEED Gold floor is home to our Public Affairs practice group, our Global Immigration practice group, and our Accounting and Information Systems departments.

Moore and Van Allen has an active partnership with Clean Air Works!, a project of the Regional Air Quality Board in collaboration with several local organizations dedicated to improving air quality in the Charlotte-Metro area. For the past six years, MVA has hosted an annual Transportation Fair which is attended by representatives from CATS, North Carolina Air Awareness, and Clean Air Works! to help promote clean air programs. Since 2007, the firm has focused on changing employees' transportation habits to improve air quality in the Charlotte region. Through MVA's transit subsidies and other innovative programs for employees, we have been able to create practices designed to educate our employees and motivate them to make positive changes to their commuting habits.

In addition to addressing air quality issues, we have continued to expand green office habits that significantly decreased wasted energy and materials into standard protocol. Among these efforts are recycling, the use of motion-sensitive electric bulbs, alternatives to disposable utensils and the purchase of Energy-Star approved appliances.