

Frequently Asked Questions

How do I become a certified Green Business and what are the steps?

First, you must download the Green Business checklist. Using the checklist, mark off the action items your business is currently achieving. Submit your completed checklist on the Green Business website. Within five business days, a member of the Zero Waste team will follow-up with you and schedule a brief site-visit to determine compliance with the program. Upon a successful site visit, the Zero Waste team will process the application and register the business as a Green Business Leader.

Is there a cost to participate?

There is no cost to participate in the Phoenix Green Business Leader program.

How long does the application process take?

The process from beginning to approval can take up to two weeks, or longer, depending on how quickly the business schedules their site visit.

What types of businesses can apply?

Any business located within Phoenix city limits can be certified as a Phoenix Green Business. Such businesses include, but are not limited to; office/retail, groceries/markets, restaurants, banks/financial institutions, hospitality, faith-based organizations, manufacturing/light industry/warehouse, nonprofits, and hospitals.

What if I have multiple locations in Phoenix?

Certifying one location does not certify all locations. If each location would like to be certified as a Green Business, then you must submit a separate Green Business checklist for each location. Staff will then schedule a site-visit at each location to confirm all the checked items.