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**Aqua Bamboo Waikiki Hotel** is a boutique hotel located in the heart of Waikiki, with just over 90 guest rooms. Over the past five years, the Aqua Bamboo Waikiki has progressively pursued sustainability initiatives and has been incorporating green practices in all levels of their operation.

### **Recycling:**

Between 2013- 2014 the Aqua Bamboo Waikiki recycled:

- Over 260 lbs of cardboard, saving two trees, and 910 gallons of water
- Over 520 lbs of glass, saving over 150 lbs of carbon dioxide from going into the atmosphere
- Over 120 lbs of plastic, the equivalent of 40 gallons of oil
- Over 400 lbs of newspaper, saving over 1,000 gallons of water and 1,000 Kilowatt hours of electricity

### **Conservation Initiatives:**

- All guest rooms were outfitted with an Energy Management System utilizing keycard implementation. This reduces the utilization of air conditioning when the room is vacant.
- A gas heater monitoring system was purchased and installed to the buildings hot water heaters. The system monitors the buildings hot water utilization and reduces the hot water temperature during off peak periods to reduce gas consumption.
- 0.7 GPM (gallons per minute) aerators were installed on all restroom faucets to reduce water waste.
- Upgrades to fluorescent lighting to T-8 lamps and ballasts for energy conservation
- Spill kits were implemented to encourage sweeping and dry mopping instead of water for everyday spills.
- Woodchips were added to planters to reduce watering frequencies therefore conserving water.
- The property converted their elevator maintenance to the original manufacturer for increased efficiency.

### **Policies and Procedures:**

- All faxes and emails have been redirected to electronic.

files rather than printing to save paper.

- By purchasing Energy Star equipment the hotel not only receives a rebate but it cuts down on annual costs. The return on investment is greater than the original cost.
- Housekeepers recycle products left in the room by guests such as old newspapers, cans and bottles.
- The property adjusted the irrigation schedule in watering the plants from anytime of the day to late afternoon and/or evenings only.
- The property adjusted timers on lights based on outside environment and replacing light bulbs with CFL in the rooms and public areas.

**Cultural Practices:**

- The Aqua Bamboo Waikiki shares the Hawaiian culture with guests from around the world with weekly Lei Making and Kapa Printing classes at no charge.

**Conclusion:**

- As a result of the Aqua Bamboo Waikiki's green initiatives, the property has covered all aspects of conserving Hawaii's natural resources, including water, gas, and electricity (oil).

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