

## Osage Million Dollar Elm Casino Steps Up Recycling Efforts



Osage Million Dollar Elm casino is going green, but it's not with cash. Employees are stepping up their game by recycling and making their work place environmentally friendly.

"We have dramatically increased the amount of office paper, plastics, aluminum and glass bottles that are now being recycled rather than being dumped into landfills," said Greg Stice, the Green Team coordinator for the project at Million Dollar Elm casinos.

For the past five months, the casino has enlisted the services of The Recycling Revolution of Tulsa, which picks up recyclables and keeps them out of landfills. They take plastic, all types of glass and paper, aluminum, steel and alkaline batteries. The one-year-old company today fulfills all of the casino's recycling needs and is flexible enough in the future to bring all Osage Million Dollar Elm properties – spread across 2,200 square miles of Osage County – up to speed.

Million Dollar Elm works with more than 20 green-friendly vendors who provide environmentally friendly products such as cleaning supplies, toilet paper and paper towels. Even the light switches are posted with "Please turn off the light" stickers.



Other casinos and area businesses should look to what the Osage are doing, said Kristen McCormick, owner of The Recycling Revolution of Tulsa. "Many of the casinos are trying to go green, but Osage is the only casino that has an extensive comprehensive recycling program that includes not only the casinos, but the corporate office as well," she said. "Osage is the first casino doing a comprehensive recycling program in the Tulsa area. The Osage can set an example for everyone."

The casino also recycles light bulbs, cardboard and uses water coolers to cut down on bottled water consumption. Stice said the casino is always looking for ways to go greener, like cutting out styrofoam cups. "We are being good stewards of Mother Earth and setting an example for future generations of the Osage Nation and our community."

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