Travel Carbon Offset Policy

While GCC will encourage staff/faculty to car pool and use mass transit whenever possible, it is understood that personal vehicles are the dominant mode of transportation on college business. GCC is acknowledging the environmental implications of travel and its effect on global warming and is initiating a carbon offset program to help fund sustainable energy systems, energy conservation/efficiency systems and other green initiatives on campus.

For every vehicle mile traveled and reimbursed by staff/faculty in personal vehicles on college business, and for every vehicle mile traveled in college vehicles on college business, $.01 per traveled mile will be set aside in the Green Campus Fund and earmarked for purchase and installation of new campus photovoltaic (solar electric) panels, energy conservation/efficiency devices, or other green initiatives. For every plane/train/bus ticket reimbursed by staff/faculty traveling on college business, $.005 per traveled mile will be set aside in the Green Campus Fund.

College employees wishing to donate a portion of their travel reimbursement to the Green Campus Fund will be given the opportunity on the travel reimbursement form.