



UPS Publishes 18th Annual Sustainability Report Highlighting Progress

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- *Announces achievement of obtaining four 2020 goals, one year early*
- *Showcases leadership in comprehensive reporting & disclosure*
- *Issues company's first ever Sustainability Accounting Standards Board (SASB) Report*

[UPS](#) (NYSE:UPS) today announced the launch of its 18th annual Sustainability Report, "[Accelerating Sustainable Solutions](#)." The digital Report is fully interactive and details efforts that took place during 2019 to advance the company's 2020 and 2025 sustainability goals in alignment with its enterprise strategy.

Most notable is surpassing four goals one year ahead of schedule, including:

- \$123.8 million in charitable contributions,
- 21.7 million employee volunteer hours,
- 15.4 million trees planted, and,
- a 3.1% reduction in auto accident frequency.

"UPS established sustainability goals in 2016 to address our environmental impacts, advance industry-leading safety programs, and strengthen the communities where we live and work," said Suzanne Lindsay-Walker, UPS chief sustainability officer (CSO) and vice president of environmental affairs. "We believe our customers and stakeholders deserve the most credible information about our sustainability performance. That's why we are an industry leader in comprehensive sustainability reporting and disclosure that meets global standards."

In addition, UPS is expanding our disclosure for investors by introducing our first Sustainability Accounting Standards Board (SASB) report. The report allows investors to more easily compare companies within and across industries. It also highlights UPS's commitment to further align business imperatives with sustainability strategies, including the company's ongoing efforts with alternative fuels.

In the last decade, UPS has invested more than \$1 billion in alternative fuel and advanced technology vehicles and supporting infrastructure. The company is now the largest user of renewable natural gas in the transportation industry and has a specialized alternative fuel and advanced technology fleet of more than 10,300 vehicles. Recently, UPS announced plans to purchase more than 6,000 natural gas trucks through 2022. And, in January, UPS announced an investment in the UK-based technology startup Arrival and committed to buy 10,000 of its electric vehicles.

The UPS Foundation Surpasses Goals

Working in concert with UPS Sustainability programs, The UPS Foundation supports both environmental and social goals, and today also announced the company has surpassed tree planting and employee volunteer goals. Since 2015, more than 15.4 million trees have been planted in 58 countries, helping to provide sources of food, jobs, protection from weather, climate events and erosion, and cleaner air for generations to come. The achievement is the result of UPS employee engagement and collaboration with leading environmental non-profit organizations supported by funding from The UPS Foundation, including the Arbor Day Foundation, The Nature Conservancy, Earth Day Network, Keep America Beautiful, National Park Foundation and World Wildlife Fund.

Likewise, the company has surpassed its goals for employee volunteerism fueled by a 60 percent increase in volunteer hours since 2011, providing volunteer hours representing more than \$533 million in support to thousands of non-profit organizations around the world. UPS was recently named a 2020 honoree of [The Civic 50 by Points of Light](#), the world's largest organization dedicated to volunteer service. The award recognizes UPS as one of the 50 most community-minded companies in the U.S.

Also in the area of social responsibility, UPS has taken action to address racial inequality by mobilizing its workforce and network of non-profit organizations to drive meaningful results. [New, focused efforts](#) include support of legislation against hate crimes, funding for programming to support employment, education, small businesses, advocacy and reform, and a new pledge of one million UPS employee volunteer hours to support mentorship and educational programming in underserved Black communities.

As a proud leader in corporate sustainability, UPS has issued an annual sustainability report every year since 2003 and sought external assurance annually since 2009. UPS completed its first materiality assessment in 2011 and continues its legacy of transparency and disclosure by reporting to the Comprehensive level of the GRI Standards framework. The separate GRI Content Index, externally assured by Deloitte & Touche LLP, provides details about UPS's sustainability management approach, data and policies.

Review UPS's latest Sustainability Report by clicking [here](#).

About UPS

UPS (NYSE: UPS) is a global leader in logistics, offering a broad range of solutions including transporting packages and freight; facilitating international trade, and deploying advanced technology to more efficiently manage the world of business. UPS is committed to operating more sustainably – for customers, the environment and the communities we serve around the world. Headquartered in Atlanta, UPS serves more than 220 countries and territories worldwide. UPS was awarded [America's Best Customer Service](#) company for Shipping and Delivery services by Newsweek magazine; Forbes [Most Valuable Brand in Transportation](#); and top rankings on the [JUST 100](#) list for social responsibility, the Dow Jones Sustainability World Index, and the Harris Poll Reputation Quotient, among other prestigious rankings and awards. The company can be found on the web at [ups.com](https://www.ups.com) or pressroom.ups.com and its corporate blog can be found at ups.com/longitudes. The company's sustainability eNewsletter, *UPS Horizons*, can be found at ups.com/sustainabilitynewsletter. Learn more about our sustainability efforts at ups.com/sustainability. To get UPS news direct, follow [@UPS_News](#) on Twitter. To ship with UPS, visit ups.com/ship.

About The UPS Foundation

Since its founding in 1907, UPS has built a legacy as a caring and responsible corporate citizen, supporting programs that provide long-term solutions to community needs. Founded in 1951, The UPS Foundation leads its global citizenship programs and is responsible for facilitating community involvement to local, national, and global communities. In 2019, UPS and its employees, active and retired, donated more than \$123.8 million to charitable causes around the world. The UPS Foundation can be found on the web at UPS.com/Foundation and [@UPS_Foundation](#) on Twitter.

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