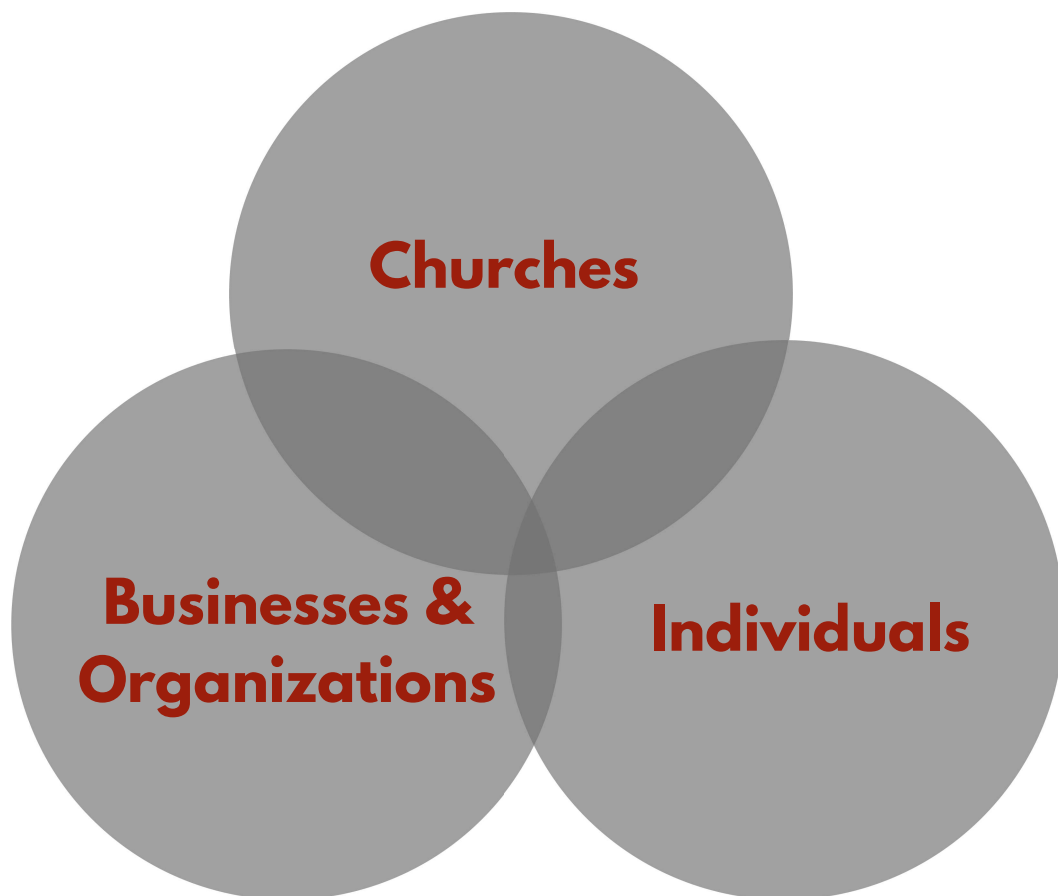




# C3 Certification

C3 Certification is a practical means to create self-regulating accountability for churches, businesses/organizations, and individuals.

Please utilize this certification process to do your part to care for God's creation and practice environmental sustainability.



**Churches**  **Businesses & Organizations**  **Individuals**

# Certification for Businesses & Organizations

Would you like to receive C3 Certification for your business or organization?

Would you like to attract and keep more skilled young adults in your business or organization?




Studies have found that 76% of millennials are either “somewhat to extremely concerned” about what climate change is going to do to the future of the planet.

C3 certification is a practical tool to strengthen your ability to communicate to your employees, clients and customers that you care for creation and are committed to environmental sustainability.

## What is C3 Certification Business & Organizations?

C3 certification is a practical tool to measure your commitment to creation care and environmental sustainability. It measures creation care in the categories of office space and office practices.

By receiving at least 15 points in each category you will become certified and receive the following:

-  C3 Certification
-  Permitted use the C3 logo on promotional materials/media platforms
-  Your organization's name listed on our C3 Certification page on our website: [christianscaringforcreation.org](http://christianscaringforcreation.org).

You will grade yourself based on your commitment for the coming 12 months.

## Certification for Businesses & Organizations-continued




### Why is C3 Certification Important?

The opening story of creation in the Bible reveals that humankind was given the responsibility to care for the earth (Gen 1:26). Later, the laws governing the nation of Israel's land management and ecological stewardship revealed that Israel would prosper if she took care of the land and its creatures, but it would suffer if the land and creatures were abused and exploited. The world continues to disclose the same truth. When the environment, ecosystems and animals are protected reasonable prosperity is shared. However, when extended practices of environmental degradation occur, the environment collapses and the economy follows.

A C3 certification formal recognition demonstrates to your staff and your clients that you care about the only earth we have and you want to enhance its well-being, not exploit it for short-term gains and profits.

### C3 Assessment Tool




#### OFFICE SPACE

-  Complete a professional energy audit. Contact your local utility provider to see if they will perform free or low-cost audits.  
**5 points**
-  Incorporate renewable energy components into building projects.  
**20 points**
-  Purchase ENERGY STAR appliances.  
**5 points**
-  Provide recycling bins in key locations throughout the facility for paper, plastics, glass and cardboard.  
**3 points**
-  Switch to LED lightbulbs throughout the office or facility.  
**5 points**







# Certification for Businesses & Organizations-continued

## C3 Assessment Tool

### OFFICE SPACE-continued

-  Purchase recycled paper/office supplies (ink & toner cartridges)  
2 points
-  If an outdoor lawn practice green landscaping/eliminate pesticides.  
5 points
-  Maintain energy efficient heating and cooling temperatures by raising thermostats in the summer and lowering in the winter.  
5 points

### OFFICE PRACTICES

-  Provide a filtered water color and every employee's permanent cup or glass to eliminate the use of plastic bottles of water.  
5 points
-  Reduce paper usage/waste by sharing information electronically as much as possible.  
3 points
-  Allow telecommuting when possible to reduce transportation costs by your employees and reduce your own office costs.  
5 points
-  Improve air quality with indoor plants and trees.  
5 points
-  Power off computers at the end of the work day.  
3 points
-  Provide an annual presentation to staff regarding your business or organization's commitment to environmental sustainability.  
5 points