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100% of SSP America's Restaurants at 12 Airports are now Certified Green Restaurants®
172 restaurants implemented over 4,330 environmental steps and achieved rigorous environmental standards

United States of America – SSP America, a division of SSP Group, a leading operator of food and beverage brands in travel locations worldwide, announced restaurant locations across 12 airports have earned the prestigious Certified Green Restaurant® sustainability certification by the Green Restaurant Association, a national nonprofit organization helping restaurants become more environmentally sustainable since 1990. Over the course of the last year, SSP America worked with the Green Restaurant Association to certify the restaurants.

Certified Green Restaurants® can be found at Dallas Fort Worth International Airport, John F. Kennedy International Airport, LaGuardia Airport, Newark Liberty International Airport, San Francisco Bay Oakland International Airport, San Diego International Airport, San Jose Mineta International Airport, Chicago Midway International Airport, Toronto Pearson International Airport, Portland International Airport, Seattle-Tacoma International Airport and Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport.

All 172 locations meet the GRA's prestigious Certified Green Restaurant® standards, having implemented 4,332 environmental steps to earn 20,395.64 GreenPoints™ spanning the Green Restaurant Association's seven environmental categories including energy, water, waste, reusables and disposables, chemicals and pollution, food, and building and furnishing. By initiating daily waste reduction practices, decreasing water usage, and conserving energy, SSP America is already minimizing its environmental footprint and achieving significant cost savings. SSP America just brought on an additional group of restaurant locations to begin the certification process, with the goal of having all of SSP America's locations certified by the end of 2025.

"I applaud SSP America for their leadership to have their locations become Certified Green Restaurants®," said Michael Oshman, CEO and founder of the Green Restaurant Association. "The environmental practices of SSP America and their 172 locations are a significant step forward for the restaurant industry and environmental change. They set an example for other locations to follow in their footsteps and show that it's possible for any location to change their environmental footprint. SSP America demonstrates that our world can make big sustainability changes now."

SSP America Chief Operating Officer Amanda Busby commented, "At SSP America we are passionate about sustainability, environmental protection, and social responsibility. This passion is embedded into our strategic priorities as we do our part to build a sustainable future. I want to commend our airport teams for their dedication to this program—without them this milestone would not be possible. And, of course, we thank Michael Oshman and his team for their partnership and support."

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About SSP America

SSP America is a division of SSP Group, a leading operator of food and beverage concessions in travel locations, operating restaurants, bars, cafés, food courts, lounges and convenience stores in airports, train stations, motorway service stations and other leisure locations. We operate in approximately 600 travel locations and manage more than 550 international, national, and local brands across our 2,600 units. The SSP America team is driven by a

shared vision to bring authentic restaurant experiences to every airport in North America. Our employees have a passion for exceptional food served by people who believe in heartfelt hospitality. Our airport partners trust SSP America to deliver a world-class portfolio of brands with broad passenger appeal and lasting commercial viability. Our brand heroes trust us to bring a taste of place to their hometown airport.

To learn more about SSP America's sustainability initiatives, click [here](#).

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About the Green Restaurant Association

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The Green Restaurant Association is a national non-profit organization that provides the only official Certified Green Restaurants® mark in the country. Since 1990, the GRA has pioneered the Green Restaurant® movement and has been the leading voice within the industry encouraging restaurants to listen to consumer demand to green their operations using transparent, science-based certification standards. With their turnkey certification system, the GRA has made it easy for thousands of restaurants to become more environmentally sustainable in a profitable manner. The GRA has been featured on CNN, NBC Nightly News, NPR, and in The New York Times, and The Washington Post.

To learn more about the steps each of SSP America's locations are taking, click [here](#).

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