



# The Social Security Administration Took a Walk with Us.



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“Our decision to install Powerbond RS® has made a lot of people very happy. It’s amazing that simply buying carpet can have such a positive effect on our employees, our environment, and our children.”

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Carpeting containing recovered-content backing is currently available through GSA contracts from Collins & Aikman Floorcoverings. The purchase of this product complies with the intent of both RCRA 6002 and Presidential Executive Order 13101 to reduce waste and increase recycling.

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How can carpeting pay for daycare? Just ask the employees of the Social Security Administration (SSA) in Chicago. When they decided to replace the old C&A floorcoverings in their 740,000 square-foot building, naturally they wanted to make the best choice. They did: C&A's Powerbond RS® with ER3®, the floorcovering industry's first — and only — high-performance carpet which is closed-loop recyclable and has significant recycled content.

Several factors were cited in their decision: **1** Better indoor air quality since installation does not cause harmful emissions. **2** Superior patterns and colors. **3** In their tests, Powerbond RS cleaned up better and easier.

Best of all, the recycled ER3 carpet offered these advantages at the same price, warranty, and delivery as its former virgin counterpart. Plus, the SSA staff members were delighted to learn that C&A has a special program for its GSA customers that would pay them for their old vinyl-backed carpet. Not only did it save waste from being landfilled, the BUY-BACK PROGRAM also gave them an unexpected windfall: funds they gladly used to subsidize tuition for the SSA's employee daycare center, The Windy City Kids. Great carpet. Healthier planet. Happy kids. And a true closed-loop story. The SSA recycled their old C&A carpet into their new carpet. What more could you ask for?



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