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Green Bag Lunch Series:

Your Eco-Friendly Lawn

Join us for a summer focused Green Bag Lunch to learn about caring for your yard without harmful chemicals. Our guest expert, Alec McClennan, founder and owner of [Good Nature Organic Lawn Care](#), will share solutions, tips and best practices to keep your yard healthy for all. Cookies, coffee and tea will be provided. RSVP [here](#).

[Subscribe](#)[Share ▼](#)[Past Issues](#)[Trans](#)[Greater Cleveland Trails & Greenways Conference](#)

Thursday, June 2

8:30am - 5:30pm

Brecksville Human Services Center

[Green Energy Ohio Tour](#)

Friday - Sunday June 3 -5

9:00am - 5:00pm

Various locations

[Lakefront Nature Preserve Hike](#)

Saturday, June 4

2:00pm - 4:00pm

Cleveland Lakefront Nature Preserve

[City Club talk about the Coast Guard and the Great Lakes](#)

Friday, June 10

Noon - 1:30pm

The City Club

[Bike Shaker: Public Art Bike Tour](#)

Saturday, June 12

2:00pm

Shaker Historical Society

[Doan Brook Storm Drain Stenciling](#)

Saturday, June 18

9:30am - 12:30pm

Fiarhill Partners

[Drink Local Drink Tap](#)

Ultralow Freezer Rebates

If your lab has a ultra-low temperature freezer, a new program just rolled out to help you get a more energy efficient model. Ultra-low freezers become less efficient as they age and so use more energy and also eject more heat. CWRU Facilities Services and CWRU Procurement have worked with Stirling Ultracold to offer a \$3000 rebate for eligible departments. Stirling Ultracold's freezers use the least amount of energy among other ultra-low temperature freezers while maintaining high sample integrity and come with a seven year warranty. For more details on how to enroll in the program, buy your new freezer, remove the old one and get your rebate, visit the [Facilities Management's Freezer Upgrade Program website](#).

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[Green Bag Lunch Series:](#)
 Saturday, June 25
 10:00am - noon
 Edgewater Park

[Your Eco-Friendly Lawn](#)
 Tues. June 28
 Noon - 1:00pm
 Tink Senior Classroom

[Sustainable Transportation](#)
[PechaKucha](#)
 Wednesday, July 6
 5:30pm - 8:30pm
 The City Club of Cleveland

[Doan Brook Fishing Day](#)
 Saturday, July 9
 9:00am - 2:00pm
 Rockefeller Park Lagoon

[End of #imoveCle Selfie Contest](#)
 Sunday, July 31

[Submissions for Commuter Choice Challenge Due](#)
 Sunday, July 31



Help Us Choose a Student Water Bottle

Take our *one question survey* to help us decide which stainless steel drink container to give away to several hundred first year students this upcoming semester - a traditional metal water bottle or a insulated stainless steel cup with lid and straw that can be used at campus soda fountains? We are hoping to cut down on single use fountain drink cups but want to be sure they'd get used. Take the survey [here](#). Thanks for your help!



Seeking Green Student Workers!



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About Us

The **Office for Sustainability** is dedicated to creating sustainable change on campus by reducing greenhouse gas emissions, improving energy efficiency, promoting local food, recycling, and sustainable purchasing, as well as advocating for individual and institutional behavior change.

Questions/Feedback?

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We are interviewing students passionate about sustainability for 16 positions in the upcoming academic year, below are links to the job descriptions for each position:

- [Sustainability Ambassador](#)
- [Green Lab Auditor](#)
- [Graduate Fellow](#)

Apply [here](#) for any of the positions via a Google form. We'll be interviewing on a rolling basis this Summer.



Transportation Selfie Contest

It is Sustainable Cleveland's [Year of Sustainable Transportation](#) and you can show off how you get around with the [#imoveCle Selfie Contest](#) and win some great prizes. Find a [huge list of some fun modes of green transportation](#) on Sustainable Cleveland's website. The contest runs through the end of July. The Office for Sustainability helped create the checklist for the [Commuter Choice Challenge](#) - to urge organizations to move green too.

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Pollinator Garden Planted

The Student Sustainability Council recently planted a pollinator garden Spring semester. The group sold succulents to raise the cash for their supplies. The garden is now located next to Thwing, adjacent to Claud Foster Park and contains a great variety of plants picked especially for pollinators such as Goldenrod, Butterfly Bush, Cosmos, Silky Dogwood, Butterflyweed, Purple Milkweed, Black-Eyed Susan, Red Columbine, Violet, Creeping Phlox and more. These plants will provide food and shelter for important insect species such as honey bees and butterflies which are pollinators. These bugs have an important role in vegetation and crop growth and their numbers are dwindling. Pollinator gardens, such as this one will aid their plight. Learn about planting your own garden [here](#).

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Make A Difference When You Move Out

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REScycle 2016

While students move out, they are encouraged to not trash their unwanted items but instead donate! Each res hall had two boxes for donations in thier hall lobbies during move out. Students were able to donate clothes, school supplies, books and working appliances, unopened/ unused food and health and beauty items. The unwanted items were taken to local nonprofits and recycling facilities.



[Simple Recycling](#) recycled unusable clothing while the [Greater Cleveland Food Bank](#) accepted food donations. [The City Mission](#) took usable clothes, linens

and bedding and [DonateStuff.com](#) made sure other items got to nonprofits that need them. A total of **7 tons of clothes and household items** as well as **440 pounds of food** were donated and diverted from landfills!

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Join the National Bike Challenge this Summer!

May was 20th is National Bike to Work Day - did you participate? Whether you commute to work via bicycle or just enjoy a ride on the weekends, you can help Cleveland defend the [Rust Cup!](#) This is the third year in a row that Cleveland cycling enthusiasts have challenged Pittsburgh riders to a battle of the bikes! Help Cleveland stay on top and track your miles through the [National Bike Challenge](#).

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Be a Food Recovery Network Summer

Volunteer

Hundreds of pounds of good, unused food is thrown away annually. With the school year ending and summer beginning, the Food Recovery Network is asking the help of CWRU faculty and staff to help recover some of of this unused food! Every day during the academic year, the group picks up food that would otherwise be thrown away from various locations around campus and store it until is it donated. It only takes a few minutes out of the day to make a big difference in local hunger and waste reduction. Email frnexec@case.edu for more information or visit frn.case.edu.

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CWRU Community Garden Seeking

Volunteers

While the academic season on campus may be over, the growing season has just begun! The CWRU Community Garden is looking for volunteers to help turn on soaker hoses when the plants need watering. Contact [Brian Gray](#), Research Librarian and Community Garden leader, to discuss how you can get involved.

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Taking Circle Link Around Town

[Circle Link](#) is the free circulator bus that operates throughout the University Circle neighborhood, courtesy of University Circle Inc. (UCI) and partner organizations, including CWRU. The enhanced Circle Link can be taken from [Cedar-University Circle Red Line Station](#) or the Health Line to cultural destinations around Wade Oval, CWRU, University Hospitals, Uptown shops and restaurants and much more. Buses arrive every 20 minutes, between 6:15am and 5:30pm, Monday - Saturday, and every 35 minutes, 12:00 - 5:30pm on Sunday. Buses can be tracked online from your desk or cell phone by clicking [here](#). Find out more at UCI's Getting Around [webpage](#).

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