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CWRU's Office For Sustainability E-Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

[Green Bag Lunch: Green Design for Your Home](#)
Wednesday, October 5
Noon - 1:00pm
Tinkham Veale University Center

[CiCLEvia](#)
Saturday, October 8



Shelli Snyder Update

Shelli Snyder, a long time employee of the CWRU School of Nursing, founding board member of [Bike Cleveland](#) and just generally a powerhouse of positivity, was critically injured while biking across the country to start a new life in Seattle with her fiancé. Shelli was recently flown across country back to Cleveland's MetroHealth Medical Center to continue her care. An unprecedented and heart felt amount of donations have been raised to help cover her medical expenses. You can follow her progress via the [Go Fund Me campaign](#) or [Facebook group](#). Read more on our [news page](#).

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West 25th St, Cleveland

[On the Edge Film Festival](#)
Friday and Saturday October 14 & 15
The Breen Center for the Performing Arts

[Photo Hike and Workshop in Doan Brook Gorge](#)
Saturday October 15
9:00am - Noon
Lower Shaker Lake

[Big Green Event](#)
Thursday, October 27
4:00pm - 7:00pm
Tinkham Veale University Center



Find a Refill Station Near You
We have an [updated list](#) of campus water bottle refilling stations on our website. Stations are listed by quad for easy locating. We've got



Save the Dates
Green Bag Lunches & Big Green Event

Green Bag Lunch Series: Green Design For Your Home
Oct. 5 | Noon to 1:00pm | Tink Ballroom C | RSVP [here](#).

Big Green Event: A Celebration of Green Goings On at CWRU
Oct. 27 | 4:00pm - 7:00pm | Tink Ballroom A | Be the first to RSVP [here](#).

Green Bag Lunch Series: Greening the Holiday Season with Upcycled Gifts with Upcycle Parts Shop
Nov. 29 | Noon to 1:00pm | Tink Senior Classroom | RSVP [here](#).

Note that your past Green Bag Lunch presentations can be found on our [website](#).

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stations throughout CWRU so you are likely to find one near your classes or office. Remember that durable, reusable water bottles surpass single use water bottles in environmental footprint reduction.

New UnVolt App Created By CWRU Students

In case you missed it in the [The Daily this week](#), CWRU Masters of Engineering student Shariq Ali and [his team](#) created an app, UnVolt, to help home owners reduce their energy footprint with aid of GLEI and DOE funding. [Download the app](#) to learn how you can save energy and money at home and to provide the team with vital early user data. They also need your vote [here](#). Shariq has also been a long-time student employee of our office, congratulations on the launch team UnVolt!



NOACA & City of Cleveland Commuter Challenge Award

For the third year CWRU has received a [Commuter Choice Challenge](#) award for efforts to improve mode shift and the transportation footprint of our campus community. Mode shift means moving individuals out of single occupancy vehicles and increasing individuals who use mass transit, carpool, bike or walk to commute to work. This year [NOACA](#) combined efforts with the City of Cleveland's sustainability office to inspire Cleveland area employers to improve their transportation footprint in a variety of ways for the [Year of Sustainable Transportation](#). The prize was awarded at the [Sustainable Cleveland 2019 Summit](#).

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Sierra Club Annual Cool Schools Ranking

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Erika's Summer at Harvard

Our FY2016 Sustainability Fellow, Erika Dunyak, spent the summer working on fair food policy for low-income students at their elementary schools. Learn more about her work in our [news feed story](#).

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.

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ranking of participating schools. Case Western Reserve ranked 89 out of 201 participating institutions, more schools submitted for the ranking this past year and the Sierra Club continues to tweak their ranking system. Find out more about the numbers and see the entire list of "cool schools" at the [Sierra Club's website](#). Learn more on our [news feed](#).



New Sustainability Ambassadors

We've hired 14 Sustainability Ambassadors to be our hands and feet on campus to conduct sustainability education and do great green work. We're looking forward to working with them all. Helen Sanderson and Claire Holliday are returning SAs. Duck Rhee is staying with us after his SURES experience. We've grouped the Ambassadors into the following teams: Recycling & Waste: Neil Chavan, Lori Sun (pictured top right), Helen Sanderson and Divya Manoharan (pictured top left) Climate & Energy: Maggie McClarren (pictured

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Green Building: Duck Rhee (pictured bottom left) and Carlos Lewis-Miller
Transportation: Amelia Samett (pictured top middle) and Tom Ugras (pictured bottom right)
Green Grounds: Kayla Buckelew and Claire Holliday
Local Food & Water: Thanvi Vatti and Keith Hill



Donate Your Unwanted, Unused Furniture

The Office for Sustainability can help you donate your excess office furniture and equipment. We will contact local non-profit organizations who may benefit from reselling your excess and they may be able to pick it up. Learn more on [our website](#) and fill out a form to start the process. [The Stockpile](#), from Canton, was recently on campus and accepted six filing cabinets, three metal shelves, a counter top and more office furniture and equipment.

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Nominate Your Sustainability Champion

Who is your green hero on campus? Do you know someone who goes above and beyond their fair share of sustainable practices? We've had some [great past winners](#) and are looking forward to giving away more Sustainability Champions awards this year at a Spring Keynote event. [Nominate your champion](#) on our website.



SURES Green Building Research

Duck Rhee served as the our office's Summer Undergraduate Research in Energy and Sustainability (SURES) intern. Duck conducted his research on green building occupancy on campus and national best practices. He found that a common barrier in utilizing buildings efficiently is the lack of

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energy use. From his research he gleaned that if tenants of green buildings could see their energy output in real time, they may reduce energy usage even further.

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