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CWRU's Office For Sustainability E-Newsletter

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Office for Sustainability

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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RECYCLING AT CWRU

mix recycling on campus

paper
sheets
boxes

cartons

glass
bottles
jars

plastic
bottles & jugs

metal
cans

keep CARDBOARD separate
flatten it, place next to the bins

no cups, tubs, bags, food, to-go containers

Rolling carts in buildings are
for **PAPER ONLY**. Please no
other recyclables or trash!

www.case.edu/sustainability

Recycling Industry Demands Change

Magnets (pictured above) to be Distributed to Students in Residence Halls

CWRU is committed to recycling on campus but the industry has shifted in recent months. There has been a ripple effect from [China dramatically reducing how much plastic they accept from the US](#). The

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Upcoming Events

[Conservation Symposium](#)

Friday, September 7

9:00am - 4:00pm

Cleveland Museum of Natural History

[Great Lake Erie Boat Float](#)

Saturday, September 8

10:00am - 12:00pm

Edgewater Park

[Guided Doan Brook Gorge](#)

[Hiking Series](#)

Tuesdays through October 30

5:30 - 7:30pm

Meet at Fairhill Partners building

[Inamori Ethics Prize](#)

[Ceremony and Recipient](#)

[Lecture](#)

Thursday, September 13

6:00pm

Maltz Performing Arts Center

[Academic Symposium "Ethical](#)

[Leadership: Science Serving Humanity"](#)

Friday, September 14

12:45pm

Severance Hall

[NEORSD Open House](#)

Saturday, September 15

9:00am - 4:00pm

Environmental & Maintenance Services Center, Cuyahoga Heights

[University Farm Produce](#)

[Stand](#)

Saturday, September 15

recycling stream. Take note that disposable plastic (or paper) cups, cutlery, and to-go containers cannot be recycled. But plastic jugs and bottles with lids are highly valuable in the recycling stream. Please study the image above and let us know if you have questions at sustainability@case.edu. Please up your "BYO" game and carry a coffee mug, water bottle, reusable straw, and washable silverware when possible to reduce and reuse before having to think about recycling!



Inamori Ethics Prize Goes to Conservationist/Geologist Dr. El-Baz

The Inamori International Center for Ethics and Excellence annually honors an international exemplar of ethical leadership with the Inamori Ethics Prize. This year's winner is NASA scientist and geologist [Dr. Farouk El-Baz](#). Based on his analysis of space photographs, El-Baz was able to discover groundwater resources in water-poor countries. The campus community will celebrate his work and award during two events on campus on September 13 and 14: an evening presentation will occur on Thursday and a panel discussion in the afternoon on Friday. The entire campus community is invited to both free events and is asked to [register online](#).

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Thursday, September 20
7:30 - 10:00am
Oswald Building, Cleveland

[Sustainable Cleveland Summit](#)

Thursday, Friday, September 20, 21
Cleveland Public Auditorium

[Farm Harvest Festival](#)

Saturday, September 22
University Farm

[Green Bag Lunch Series: Conserving Energy at Home](#)

Thursday, September 27
12:00 - 1:00pm
Tink/ Senior Classroom

[Bike to Work Day Meet Up](#)

Friday, September 28
7:30 - 9:00am
Rising Star in Hingetown

[Green Bag Lunch Series: A Second Life for Your Excess Office Furniture](#)

Tuesday, October 16
12:00 - 1:00pm
Tink/ Senior Classroom



Sustainable Cleveland Summit 2018

You're invited to attend the tenth annual [Sustainable Cleveland Summit](#) to represent CWRU on September 20 and 21 at the Cleveland Public Auditorium. The focus of this year's work and the summit is celebrating vital neighborhoods. The Office for Sustainability will sponsor a small number of participants within the campus community to attend. We encourage you to attend the entire two-day event but especially the Thursday Keynote addresses. [Email us](#) why you want to attend to apply for sponsorship.



**Green Bag Lunch:
Conserving Energy at Home
Thursday, September 27
Noon - 1:00pm
Tinkham Veale University Center/
Senior Classroom**

Get a head start on reducing your winter heating bill.

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homeowner who has implemented many energy improvements in different style houses. You'll learn about low or no cost options that utilities offer to help homeowners reduce their utility bills, as well as one homeowner's [passive home](#) journey. FirstEnergy is providing giveaways and lunch. Please RSVP to hold your lunch spot.

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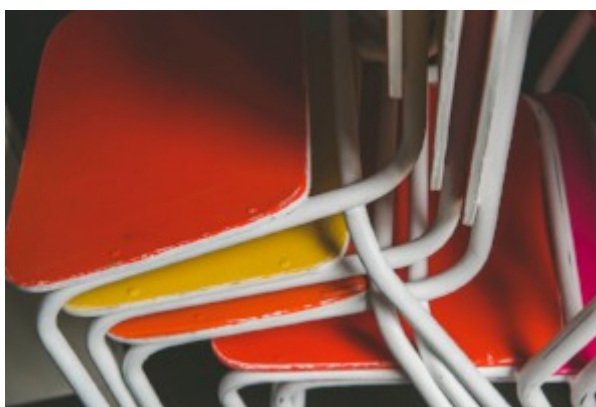
Alumni Center LEED Gold

The Linsalata Alumni Center has been awarded LEED Gold status by the U.S. Green Building Council. The building contains numerous green features such as energy efficient heating and air conditioning, LED lighting, water efficient fixtures, and plenty of natural light. This is the fourth LEED Gold building on campus. Congratulations to CWRU Project Manager Nick Christie and the design team of The Krill Co. and Algebra AEC.



Sierra Cool Schools

The Sierra Club is not only a national leader in environmental grassroots organizing but the group also creates an annual ranking of green schools. For the seventh year, CWRU was featured on the list. Coming in right below Yale, CWRU was ranked 127 out of 269 participating schools. Check out the whole list including special coverage of the top 20 schools on the [Sierra Club website](#).



Green Bag Lunch: A Second Life for Your Excess Office Furniture

Tuesday, October 16

Noon - 1:00pm

**Tinkham Veale University Center/
Senior Classroom**

speakers will discuss how to donate and recycle excess office furniture as well as how to avoid needing to dispose of furniture and supplies. The Office for Sustainability will provide desserts and coffee.

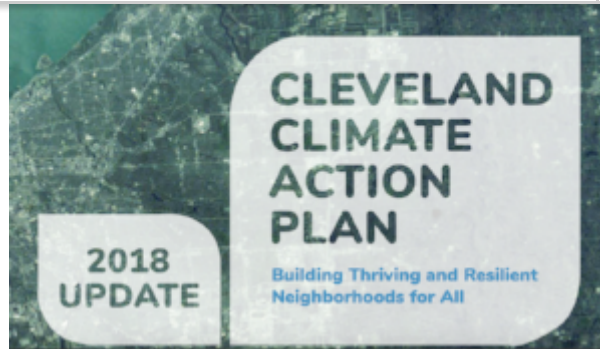
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Commuters Honored at Breakfast

CWRU employees logged 6,700 commuting miles in June in an effort to reduce regional air pollution. Using alternative transit such as walking, biking, and RTA, participants reduced toxic air pollutants and saved 750,000 lbs. of CO₂. The Office for Sustainability honored those who logged their commutes during a breakfast in August. Congrats to top loggers: Janice Gerda: most walking trips (20), Katie Skapin: most trips logged (44) and most carpools (42), Marie Vibbert: most biking trips (32), and Sienna Warshawsky: most RTA trips (28). Now, a [new app](#) is available to sync with your Gohio Commute profile, and makes tracking your commute even easier! Learn more on our [website](#).

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City of Cleveland Updates CAP

There have been 12 community workshops and over 300 people involved in updating the Climate Action Plan for the City of Cleveland. The new plan has four cross-cutting priorities: social and racial equity; good jobs, green jobs; resilience to the impacts of climate change; and business leadership. Peruse the new plan yourself on the [Sustainable Cleveland website](#).

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