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Office for Sustainability

About Us

The **Office for Sustainability** is dedicated to creating sustainability-related 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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Energy Contest Starting on Halloween

The Student Sustainability Ambassadors have been busy planning this year's Res Hall Energy Contest which will run from October 31st through November 18th. The residence hall (or participating Greek House) that has the greatest overall energy reduction will win a solar charging picnic table to be installed Spring semester. Individual behavior can reduce energy consumption by 5-20%! Learn more and follow along on our [Energy Contest webpage](#).



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Upcoming Events

[Guided Doan Brook Gorge Hiking Series](#)

Tuesdays through October 30
5:30 - 7:30pm
Meet at Fairhill Partners building

[Origins Science Scholars: Let There Be \(Cheap and Efficient\) Light: From Quantum Mechanics to Better Light Bulbs](#)

Tuesday, October 30
5:30 - 8:00pm
Tink Ballrooms A/B

[Keep It Great: The State of Lake Erie](#)

Wednesday, November 7
6:00 - 10:00pm
Cleveland Museum of Natural History

[Lake Erie Central Basin Conference](#)

Friday, November 9
9:00am - 3:00 pm
Edgewater Yacht Club

[Building Education Series: The Importance of Preventative Maintenance](#)

Thursday, November 15
7:30 - 10:00am
Oswald Building, Cleveland

America Recycles Day
Thursday, November 15

CWRU in Princeton Review's Top 50 Green Schools List

Annually the CWRU Office for Sustainability applies to be considered for the Princeton Review's Guide to Green Schools list. Case Western won major standing in this year's list with a score of 96 out of a possible 99 points and is also listed within the top 50 green schools in the nation in 2018 with an overall rank of 35! Visit [Princeton Review's CWRU page](#) and check out the Sustainability scoring and info under the Campus Life tab.



Lake "Eerie" Bike Challenge

Did you brave the October weather and bike to work? Log your trips at the [Gohio website](#) by October 31st and you'll be eligible for raffle drawings and grand prizes from NOACA and their partners. Find more info on the [Gohio website](#). The [Gohio website](#) also provides carpool matching with other CWRU and University Circle commuters, transit ride planning and more.



Pledge to Take Back the Tap

The Student Sustainability Council, partnering with Food & Water Watch, is asking our campus community to kick the habit of drinking bottled water through a Take Back the Tap campaign. It is an initiative to raise awareness of the privatization of water by bottled water companies. The initiative strives to reduce single-use bottle waste on campus and to provide every student with a reusable water bottle. [Take the pledge](#) today to take back the tap! Contact [Yvonne Pan](#) for more information.



Farewell, Ted!

Our former grad student intern turned office sustainability consultant, Ted Bambakidis, relocated to Michigan with his wife Simone, who will be continuing her MD/PhD studies in Ann Arbor. Ted advanced transportation, green labs, and several other initiatives while working for us and will be sorely missed. Best wishes, Ted!

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CWRU Wins Silver Commuter Choice Award

At the 2018 Sustainable Cleveland Summit, the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) and partners announced the winners of the 2018 Commuter Choice Awards. Century Cycles won Gold while CWRU and the Cleveland Museum of Natural History won silver honors. This annual contest encourages Northeast Ohio institutions to improve mode shift and to decrease their transportation footprint. Stephanie Corbett, CWRU's Director of Energy and Sustainability, accepted the award. Learn more on [NOACA's website](#).

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