

Green Fund Project Ideas 2018-2019

Engagement and Awareness

1. Sustainability Literacy Campaign

- Description: By 2020, a comprehensive sustainability literacy survey will be sent to students, faculty, and staff. Before this occurs, an attempt should be made to educate as many people as possible on campus about the topic both formally and informally.
- Helpful Links: <https://www.centerforgreenschools.org/sites/default/files/resource-files/National-Action-Plan-Educating-Sustainability.pdf>

<https://www.plt.org/educator-tips/top-ten-benefits-environmental-education/>

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2. Student Education Programs with the Center for Creativity

- Description: Student directed activities which will incorporate sustainable practices/materials in a tangible creation. Art, crafts, and goods can be produced using a multitude of waste materials. Students who engage in this project should find a material and method of reuse which interests them and present it to the campus community through a class or workshop. The creativity center is the perfect place to experiment with materials and potentially host a class.
- Helpful Links: <https://www.budgetdumpster.com/blog/diy-plastic-bottles-recycling/>
<https://homeisd.com/10-clever-diy-home-decor-crafts-with-actual-waste-materials/>
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3. Dorm Green Floor Certifications

- Description: Get floors in residence halls Green Certified
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4. Green Event Certification

- Description: A great project for student organizations that host events with food. Get custom help from the PittServes Office to put sustainability front and center at your event.
- Helpful Links: <https://www.studentaffairs.pitt.edu/pittserves/sustain/green-certify/>
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5. Eco-Leaders Program

- Description: A program to allow students to come up with eco-friendly ideas and provides them with resources to complete their projects. Eco-leaders also act as educators for new students on topics of sustainability and the environment. Per Colorado State's Eco Leaders program; "Eco Leaders are peer educators in the residence halls and Aggie Village apartments who help raise awareness about sustainability issues and encourage environmentally-responsible behaviors throughout the academic year"
- Helpful Links: <http://www.nwfecoleaders.org/about> ;<https://housing.colostate.edu/about/sustainability/eco-leaders-program/>
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