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Dear Tufts Environmental,

This Thanksgiving, let's all remember to show our thanks for this wonderful planet on which we live by consuming responsibly. The holidays are a great time to come together with friends and loved ones, to entertain and enjoy good company and good food. But why not do so in an eco-conscious fashion, not sacrificing any of the wonderful things about the season and doing some good for the planet in the process? With these tips for a green Thanksgiving, you can both celebrate in style and reduce your environmental impact. This year, think about buying organic and local food, consuming and wasting less, and getting outside. Doing your part for the environment this holiday season can be one more reason to celebrate!



Check out these articles about buying heritage turkeys

instead of the much more widely consumed artificially inseminated turkeys, creating eco-conscious celebrations, and a pledge to move beyond consumerism and simplify the holidays!

Green Thanksgiving Guide Heritage Turkeys Green Holiday Entertaining Guide Holiday Beyond Consumerism Pledge

-Katherine

Sustainability Dinner @ Dewick

WANTED: Student reps for the President's Sustainability Council

Do you have an interest in promoting green buildings and energy efficiency? Are you interested in reducing water use on campus?

The Sustainability Council is starting up this fall at Tufts



What's the difference between organic and local? Where does that fish come from? What's compost? If you've ever asked yourself these questions, you're in luck! Tufts Sustainability Collective is partnering with Dining Services to offer an exciting sustainability-themed dinner on Thursday, December 1 from 5-8pm. Food will be sourced from local sites, and there will be a variety of organic options. This is a great way to learn about the issues surrounding your food, and to become more familiar with those tricky phrases like "free-range" and "GMO."

There will be performances by bands, and even a trash-fashion show at 6:15 by the Eco-Reps!

All you have to do is show up at Dewick for dinner! See you there!

Upcoming Events

New events are posted regularly on the <u>TuftsGetsGreen blog</u> and also on our <u>Facebook page</u>.

- Nov 19: The Boston Pledge
- <u>Nov 28: WasteWise Regional Forum</u>
- <u>Dec 1: Products, Plastics, Putrefaction, and Power: Rethinking</u> <u>How We Manage Materials to Achieve Just Sustainability</u>
- Dec 1: Sustainability Dinner and Trashion Show in Dewick Dining Hall (see above)
- Dec 2: One World Bazaar Campus Center
- <u>Dec 2: TIE Fellowship Information Session</u>
- Dec 3: Maple Syrup Brunch Fundraiser

The Tufts sustainability community maintains a shared Google calendar called <u>Tufts Environmental Events</u>. Additional (including non-Tufts) events are posted regularly on the <u>TuftsGetsGreen blog</u>. Set up a <u>dedicated RSS feed</u> or the "Events" category to get real-time updates.

Sign up for a winter or (next) summer CSA!

If you cook for yourself and love farm-fresh local veggies, then a CSA is right for you. <u>Community Supported Agriculture</u> is a program where interested community members buy into a farmer's crops at the beginning of a season, giving the farmers the capital needed to get

University and is looking for **student representatives** for the main council and each of the three working groups (water, waste and energy/emissions).

The new groups will be comprised of one undergraduate and one graduate student each, plus a select number of faculty and staff with appropriate expertise. The council will focus on reviewing existing goals, creating new ones and developing plans for moving forward.

If you are interested in being a student representative on one of these committees, please write a short 200 word letter of interest explaining why you are interested and what knowledge or skills you will bring to the group. Email your application to tina.woolston@tufts.edu

Keep chip bags and wrappers out of landfills with Terracycle

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Groove greener with the Skittles Eco-Boombox - no batteries required!

You can recycle chip bags and any energy-type bar that has a silver lining in the new collection boxes for TerraCycle's brigades.

You can drop off your empty chip bags or energy at the Office of Sustainability and ask your Eco-Rep where your dorms boxes are. *More details here...»* started. When the farmer harvests his produce all who paid in receive a share of the harvest. Your share is put into a box and sent to a local pick-up station for you to receive, is as easy as that! Enterprise Farms and World PEAS offer CSAs convenient to the Tufts Community, and Tufts Sustainability Collective want to bring this amazing program to more people here. If you come to the <u>OneWorld Bazaar</u> on **Friday December 2nd, from 10-4pm in the campus center,** find our booth and you can sign up to be a part of one of these CSAs! You can also learn about how a CSA works, and why they are a sustainable food option. Drop by and see us!

Jobs in Sustainability

Job and internship opportunities are posted regularly on the <u>TuftsGetsGreen blog</u>. Set up a <u>dedicated RSS feed</u> for the "Career" category so you never miss another post!

- <u>Circle the City Project Manager (Boston, MA)</u>
- <u>Manager, Environmental Sustainability, ARAMARK</u>
- Sustainability Coordinator, Franklin Pierce U
- <u>Wakefield Estate Graduate Fellowships</u>
- Outreach Coordinator, Union of Concerned Scientists, Cambridge, MA or Washington,
- Coyote Canyon Farm Internship (Morgan Hill, CA)
- Better Future Project 2012 Summer Internship
- Fellowship, Sustainable Agriculture, Williams College
- Digital Sustainability Communications Coordinator, Harvard University
- Conservation Agent, Norwell Conservation Commission, Town of Norwell, MA
- EcoHouse Program Coordinator, U Connecticut
- Job Opportunity in Food System and Land Use Mapping and Research
- Sustainability Program Manager, GreenerU
- Community Carbon Fund Project Coordinator, Yale University

Additional internship and academic opportunities may be found at the <u>Environmental Studies Program</u> blog.

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