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Dear Tufts Environmental,

Exciting things are happening for sustainability at Tufts! Right at the heels of news of [Tufts earning a Silver Rating in STARS*](#), President Tony Monaco picked up a torch lit 21 years ago in Talloires and announced plans to form a university-wide council focusing on sustainability.

While the noticeable chill in the air prompts many sad goodbyes to summer, we welcome back the people returning to campus and note that the number of events has already started to pick up. Read on to find out how to get a free water bottle, participate in Car-Free Week, or scope out other activities.

Stay green,
Fannie

**Sustainability Tracking Assessment & Rating System*

President Monaco to chair Sustainability Council

Tufts' new president is off to a great start and he is making sustainability a priority.

In a [letter to the Tufts community](#) last Monday, President Tony Monaco announced plans to launch and personally chair two university-wide councils: one for sustainability and one for diversity.

"The new Presidential council on sustainability will assess strategic directions to ensure that our campus operations reflect the commitment to the environment that informs our extraordinary academic work in this arena," he wrote. "While taking a broad view, the council will look particularly closely at carbon management, waste and water."



How about some lovely fresh vegetables? The Tufts Farmers' Market is back at the Mayer Campus Center Patio every Wednesday from now until October. (Photo: Tufts Dining)

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Got your water bottle yet?

For a limited time, get a FREE 24oz Nalgene water bottle with the purchase of a fountain drink at various dining locations on campus! Fill the bottles at Brita hydration stations or water fountains and help reduce the harmful impact of bottled water on the ^{new water} bottle



President Monaco received an orchid on his first day at work from John DiBaggio, who was president of Tufts in 1999 when the university made a commitment to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions to 7% below 1990 levels.

This exciting news fulfills early indications that the new leader is personally engaged in issues of sustainability. As President-Elect back in June, he [asked on Twitter](#), "Alright Jumbos, in my listening tour so far it seems that sustainability and the green agenda on #Tufts campus are essential. Thoughts?" [Read more >>](#)

environment. You can also get a discount when you use the bottle to purchase fountain drinks at the Commons, Tower and Mugar Cafes.

This promotion by Tufts Dining is part of an initiative spearheaded by Tufts Against Plastic (TAP), a student group which campaigned to eliminate the sale of bottled water at Hodgdon Good-to-Go. [Read more >>](#)

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- [Environmental Studies Program](#)
- [Tufts Institute of the Environment](#)
- [Tufts Recycles](#)
- [Tufts Sustainability Collective](#)
- [Tufts Bikes](#)

Upcoming Events

Sep 23: Massachusetts Car-Free Week Reception at the Office of Sustainability


Next week is Massachusetts Car-Free Week, a great

opportunity to promote healthier modes of transportation for both yourself and the environment! Starting Sunday, Sept. 18th through Sept 24th, you can [track your car-free and car-light trips](#) and be eligible to win prizes. [Pledge your commitment](#) to be Car-Free for next week and start tracking your trips. [Read more»](#)




- [Sep 18: Life in a Climate Changing World](#)
- [Sep 19: AltWheels Fleet Day](#)
- [Sep 20: Fletcher's Center for International Environment and Resource Policy Meet & Greet](#)
- [Sep. 21: Tufts Global Development & Environmental Institute Open House](#)
- [Sep 22: ENVIS Lunch and Learn- Peace and Renewable Energy in the Middle East](#)
- [Sep 22: Greater Boston Slow Money Entrepreneur Showcase](#)
- [Sep 24: Moving New England \(worldwide Moving Planet event\)](#)
- [Sep 28: Environmental Studies Brunch](#)
- [Sep 30: Green Careers for a Green Economy](#)
- [Oct. 1: Boston Local Food Festival](#)
- [Oct. 1: Reducing Energy Bills in Older Buildings with Limited Budgets Workshop](#)

Keep track of what's up in the Tufts sustainability community through a common Google calendar called [Tufts Environmental Events](#). This calendar is shared and updated by the [Environmental Studies Program](#), [Office of Sustainability](#), [Tufts Institute of the Environment](#), and [Tufts Sustainability Collaborative](#).

Additional (including non-Tufts) events are posted regularly on the [TuftsGetsGreen blog](#) . Set up a dedicated RSS feed for real-time updates!

Jobs in Sustainability

Job and internship opportunities are posted regularly on the [TuftsGetsGreen blog](#) . Set up a dedicated RSS feed for the "Career" category so you never miss another post!

- [Sustainability Planner, Community Development Department \(Cambridge, MA\)](#)
- [Marketing Intern, Office of Energy and Environment \(Medford, MA\)](#)
- [Climate Action Plan Intern, Office of Energy and Environment Intern \(Medford, MA\)](#)
- [Apply to be a C2C Fellow \(Annandale-on-Hudson, NY\)](#)
- [Sustainability Planner \(Cambridge, MA\)](#)
- [Weatherization Program Assistant \(Hinesburg, VT\)](#)
- [Chief Sustainability Officer \(Berkeley, CA\)](#)
- [Recycling Intern \(Cambridge, MA\)](#)
- [Environmental Conflict Resolution Internship \(Washington D.C.\)](#)
- [Zero Waste Coordinator \(Washington D.C.\)](#)

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