

Summer 2010 Update SustainableUW



WHAT'S NEW?

Campus Sustainability Fund Update

A Campus Sustainability Fund Proposal was passed by the Student Activities Fee Committee and now awaiting final approval from the Board of Regents. This fund allocation will designate approximately \$339,000 in 2010-2011 towards campus sustainability projects.

Husky Green Award

The Husky Green Award was introduced this year on Earth Day as a means of honoring those who go above and beyond to demonstrate leadership, initiative, and dedication to environmental stewardship and sustainability at the University of Washington. Award recipients include individual students Krysta Yousoufian and Alan Wright, staff members Michael Meyering and Claudia Christensen, and teams the UW Tower Green Team, the UW Farm, the UW Tacoma Environmental Science Program, and the Campus Sustainability Fund Team. For more information about the awards and recipients visit:

<http://green.washington.edu/awards-recognition/awards/husky-green-award>

Celebrating Earth Day with a Solar Power Concert

UW's environmental campus groups were joined by community partners and environmental organizations on the HUB lawn in celebration of Earth Day's 40th anniversary. Student organizers in collaboration with HUB Events & Information services provided a music concert powered by solar energy. The solar concert included performances by Unite One, Andrew Vait and The Eternal Fair, and Sameer Ranade (who wrote a Climate Change Rap). Solar power was provided by Sound Power. This day also commemorates the inauguration of the first-ever Husky Green Awards, which were presented after the performances.

Sustainability Pledge Raffle Winners

Congratulations to Jaron Kelley, Sue Jeong, and Mary O'Reilly for taking the UW Sustainability Pledge on Earth Day, and winning our raffle for either a sustainable office supply basket or a gift card.

Trash-In Update

Of the 1,058 pounds of trash sorted during the 2010 Trash-in, only 37% of it was actually trash. The sorted trash contained 21% recyclable materials, and 42% compostable materials. This trash-in is a great tool to measure our campus efforts of reducing waste, and a great learning experience for both students and staff. The University currently diverts 54% of trash away from landfills, with a 2012 diversion goal of 60% of trash away from landfills. Recycling and Solid Waste plans to make the Trash-In an annual event, so keep this on your radar for next year.

GET INVOLVED

What Can I Do?

Passionate about sustainability? Check out the “What Can I Do?” page:

<http://green.washington.edu/what-can-i-do/>

Grow the sustainability network at UW

Become a fan of UW Environmental Stewardship & Sustainability on Facebook, and invite your friends and colleagues too!

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