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Sustainable Holiday Tips



- #1. Shop Local: Support local artisans, farmers, and small businesses to reduce the carbon footprint of your purchases.
- #2. Give Digital Gifts: Opt for e-books, online subscriptions, or virtual gift cards to save on packaging and shipping.
- #3. Natural Decor: Use items like holly, evergreen branches, or dried orange slices for festive, biodegradable decor.
- #4. Reusable Tableware: Avoid disposable plates and cutlery; use reusable or compostable options for holiday meals and parties.
- #5. Donate Instead of Discarding: Donate old decorations, clothing, or gifts you no longer use.
- #6. Limit Energy Usage: Put holiday lights on a timer to conserve energy and ensure they're turned off during the day or late at night.



CSM GIVEAWAY WINNERS

Congratulations to all our Campus Sustainability Month giveaway winners!



GRAND PRIZE!!
\$250 TUITION SCHOLARSHIP!





INTERNSHIP HIGHLIGHTS



“My favorite memory from my internship experience is Campus Sustainability Day. I loved getting to plan and educate other students about my table which was on pollinators. Miss Rev even made an appearance!”
Kaitlyn Alton



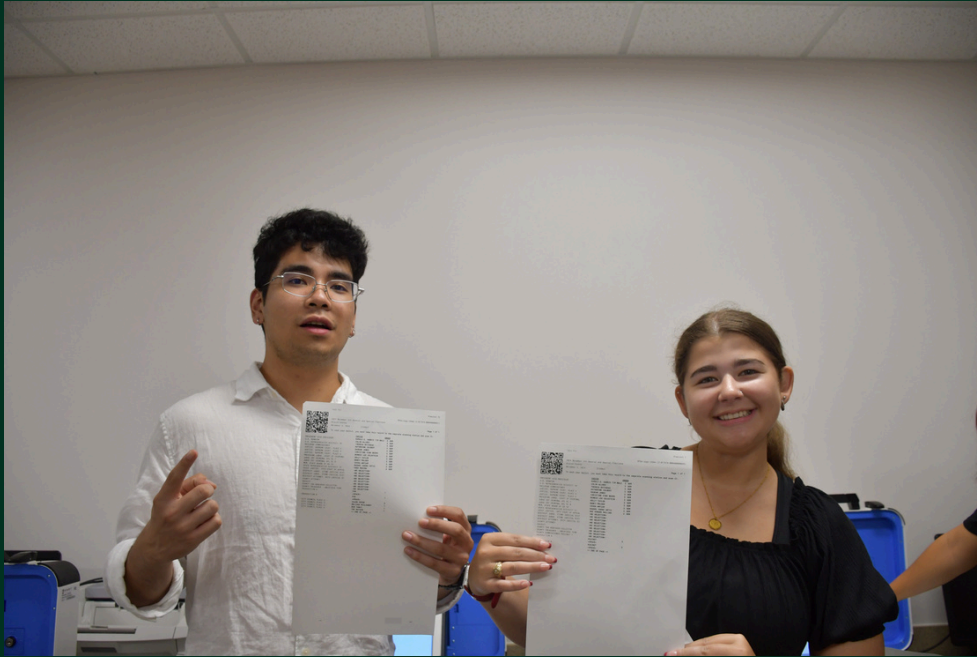
“One thing I learned is the importance of urban planning to a sustainable lifestyle, and how the form of a city affects its function. Without sustainability-oriented infrastructure it’s more difficult for us to live sustainable lives.”
Amrita Gabu

“One of my favorite field trips was one of our very first ones which was to Challenge Works! It was a great way to get comfortable with everyone and learn how to work as a team. I even got to try rock climbing for the first time which was a super fun experience!”
Ellie Wicks





INTERNSHIP HIGHLIGHTS



“My favorite field trip was definitely the Brazos Valley Election Administration Office tour. It was interesting to see the level of security that goes into voting, and seeing the procedures at the office got me more interested in following local politics.”
Matthew Santiago

“My favorite field trip was visiting the Election Administration Office in Bryan. I loved learning about how elections are run on a local level and what measures are taken to make them as secure as possible.”
Kimberly Kendall



“My favorite field trip was visiting BVR Waste & Recycling. It was really interesting to see where all our recycling ends up and what we can do to make the process more effective. Plus we got to work on our ‘Life of a Bottle’ reel!”
Peyton Braun



- ★ **COMMUTE USING SUSTAINABLE METHODS THREE TIMES A WEEK**
- ★ **EAT MORE PLANT-BASED MEALS**
- ★ **STOP USING PLASTIC SHOPPING BAGS**
- ★ **PLANT A NATIVE POLLINATOR GARDEN IN MY BACKYARD**
- ★ **START AN ORGANIC VEGETABLE GARDEN**
- ★ **STOP EATING MEAT BEFORE 5PM/ONLY EAT MEAT FOR DINNER**
- ★ **INCREASE THE NUMBER OF BIKE COMMUTING DAYS DURING THE WORK WEEK**

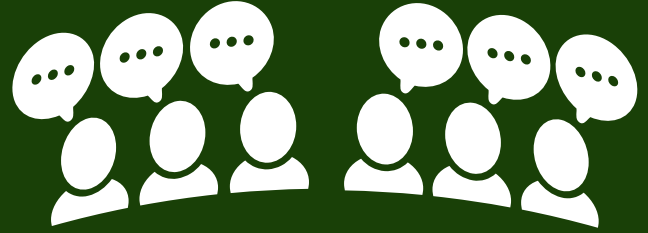


OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY WRAPPED

This year, our office had...



2 Conferences
(TRACS and AASHE)



1 *relaunched* University
Sustainability Advisory
Committee



1390 Giveaway Entries



\$187.8K Awarded in Grants



60+ Outreach Events



83 new ASA members



8 Field Trips



16 AMAZING Student Interns