

Thinking *Green* at U.Va.

Student Efforts

Student Environmental Action
Student Council Environmental Sustainability
Committee
U.Va. Recycling Student Programs

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Student Environmental Action

An organization that is committed to promoting social and environmental justice both locally and globally

A Contracted Independent Organization with the University of Virginia.

Actively pursues issues in environmental justice on local, state, and national levels, and looks to raise awareness and effect meaningful change in response to environmental concerns.

SEA Programs

- Energy Unplugged, February 2007
 - Conference on the prospects of clean energy at the University level (and beyond)



SEA Programs

- Enlightenment!, Spring 2007
 - Educational forums on student energy conservation.



The Environmental Sustainability Committee

U.Va. Student Council

- Advocate progress toward more sustainable University
- Work with Administrators and University officials to implement new policies and programs

- Five subcommittees:

- Dining
- Transportation
- Waste & Recycling
- Buildings & Grounds
- Energy & Water

The Environmental Sustainability Committee

● The Green Reception, October 2007



The Environmental Sustainability Committee

○ Upcoming programs:

- Tray-Reduction Program
- “Get Caught Being Green” Program
- Earth Day Celebration
- Spring Referenda
- Green Career Fair



U.Va. Recycling Student Employee Program



- Maintain Standing Programs
- Increase Student Involvement
- Educate Student Body



U.Va. Student Employees

- Conservation Advocate Program
- America Recycles Day
- RecycleMania
- Earth Day
- Award/Grant Applications



What's next?


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are needed to see this picture.

- Greater Cooperation and Coordination Between Student Groups
 - Cosponsored Events
 - Sharing of Resources
 - Easier to Change Social Norms
- Institutionalizing Sustainability
 - Office of Sustainability
 - “Vision” of Sustainability for U.Va.
 - Support/Incentive for Student Groups
 - Internships, Work-Study Programs, Academic Credit



Student Environmental Action
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Environmental Sustainability Committee
www.people.virginia.edu/~bwc8t



U.Va. Recycling
www.recycle.virginia.edu