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It's that time of year again Ags! It's Sustainability Month here in Aggieland! This issue of the Res Life Sustainability Newsletter focuses on infrastructure and student engagement improvements Residence Life has done to make sustainability an Aggie tradition.

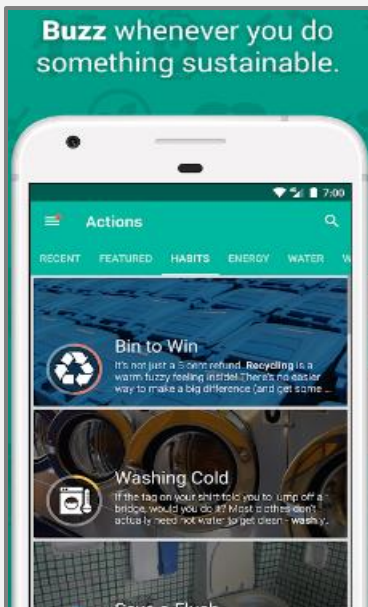


Sustainability Dinner

Each year in the fall, Res Life hosts a dinner with compostable dinnerware and locally-sourced food. The dinner brings faculty, staff, and students who share an interest in living sustainably. Join us for our 5th Annual dinner on the 23rd in Hullabaloo 117 A/B. Register now at tx.ag/2018sustainabilitydinner!

APP-solutely Sustainable

Who doesn't love a good app? Well, Residence Life and several campus partners created the Eco Aggies app in order for students to track their sustainable behaviors. The app is free for both Android and Apple devices. Download it today and begin collecting points and competing against your fellow Ags as to who can be the most sustainable! Visit ecoaggies.joulebug.com/ to learn more!



Education, Energy, Sustainability

One way Residence Life has promoted student engagement has been the U-Challenge. Started in 2017, the U-Challenge is a research competition for graduate and undergraduate students to examine energy and utility consumption. Students teams, along with discussing past consumption, present infrastructure and engagement improvements to a panel of faculty, staff, and professionals.

Newsletter

Beginning fall 2017, Residence Life has released a monthly newsletter. This newsletter features a different sustainability theme each month covering one or all three pillars of sustainability.



Setting the Benchmark

Did you know that the Department of Residence Life has created a departmental Sustainability Plan? While many campuses, including A&M, have a Campus Sustainability Master Plan, we're the first campus to have one on the departmental level. Just another way Aggies are pioneering for a better future!

Infrastructure

An easy way for a building to become more sustainable is to improve the infrastructure. Residence Life consistently tries to incorporate energy efficient features into all of our buildings.

- Low-flow shower heads & dual-flush toilets
- LED lighting upgrades and light switch stickers
- Water bottle filling stations
- Updated utility systems
- Occupancy sensors in common areas

Events in October*:

- 3rd-4th & 17th-18th – 12th Can open 10 am to 4:30 pm
- 23rd – 5th Annual Sustainability Dinner 5:30-7:30pm
- 24th – Campus Sustainability Day in Rudder Plaza 10am-1pm
- 27th – Stream Clean @ 8:00-11:00am
- 27th – Cultural Explorations: Dia De Los Muertos Festival & Mexican Culture Institute in San Antonio

*Specifics & additional events at <https://reslife.tamu.edu/living/sustainability>

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