We believe a sustainable, vibrant, and just planet begins on campus by minimizing the environmental impacts of our operations and cultivating a resilient community through our curricular and co-curricular experiences.

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Waste and Recycling At Susquehanna

3 Waste Streams
- Trash
- Organics
- Recycling

8 Disposal Methods
- Trash Cans
- Compost
- Recycling Bins
- Big Green Boxes
- E-Waste Drop Off
- Mailroom Drop Off
- Plastic Bag Bins
- Terracycle Boxes

Million pounds of waste produced in FY 2018: 1.4
Thousand pounds of recycling in FY 2018: 120

Should be the last resort as trash sits in landfills for generations
Food waste from Evert Dining Hall goes to a local pig farmer
Any blue bag lined bin on campus, recycle #1 & #2 plastic, water bottles, glass, paper, paperboard, and cans
Battery recycling boxes
Accepts all electronics, located by elevator in Seibert Hall basement
In lower Deg, drop off old ink cartridges and cardboard boxes
By the mailroom, recycle thin stretchy plastic like grocery bags, bread bags, and Amazon bubble wrap envelopes

Harder to recycle items like chip bags, granola bar wrappers, oral care products, #6 plastic cups, and much more!

View our interactive map to find exact locations at susqu.edu/sustainability
“EAT SUSTAINABLY WITH SU DINING SERVICES!”

5 local vendors
- Jack & Jill ice cream
- Valley Farms
- Kegels Produce
- Georgie’s Bagels
- Dries Orchard

6 dining options
- Evert Dining Hall
- Hawk’s Nest
- Ele’s
- Bento Sushi
- Scholarly Grounds
- Starbucks

“misfit” produce
is often used in alternative form to prevent excessive food waste

60% of food waste from Evert Dining Hall is given to a LOCAL PIG FARMER

Discounts are given at Scholarly Grounds & Starbucks for purchases made with reusable mugs

WASTE

VEG OUT
vegetarian & vegan options are always provided to encourage a smaller water and carbon footprint. In fact, switching to a vegetarian diet alone can cut over 60% of your carbon footprint!

17% of all food and beverage purchases on campus are plant-based

SU has been dining “tray-less” since 2006 in effort to conserve water & energy and reduce food waste

17 hydration stations
throughout campus encourage students to reduce waste from single-use plastic bottles
ELECTRICITY AT SU

30% Electricity generated at the SU solar array

30 Sheep act as natural lawn mowers at the SU solar array

70% Electricity purchased from the grid

Wind renewable energy credits are purchased to offset carbon emissions of grid purchases

On-Campus Consumption

30% 38% 32%
Academic Buildings Administrative Buildings Residence Halls

15,311,632 kWh consumed in FY 2018

6,937 kWh per student in FY 2018
The Center for Environmental Education and Research

AT SUSQUEHANNA UNIVERSITY

**SOLAR PANELS**

- 14 acre site containing 12,000+ solar panels, which powers 30% of campus
  - Largest on-campus solar array in PA
  - A flock of 30 sheep provided by a local farmer are used as natural lawn mowers

**BUFFER PROJECT**

- To reduce erosion, build wildlife and pollinator habitats, and establishes fruit and nut production
  - The site contains 7,200 live stakes and 545 trees and shrubs
  - Includes blueberries, elderberries, paw-paws, hazelnuts, and hickory

**FRESHWATER RESEARCH INSTITUTE**

- Research staff, faculty, and students work together to monitor, restore and protect PA's watershed
  - FRI offers hands-on research opportunities for students
  - Major projects include stream restoration, precision conservation, and the Unassessed Waters Initiative

**CAMPUS GARDEN**

- 50 raised beds, 2 in-ground plots, and a greenhouse grows and donates produce
  - Follows organic practices
  - Garden is fully managed by students: 4-6 student employees and dozens of volunteers
  - In 2019, 745 lbs of produce was donated to the Selinsgrove Senior Center, the Regional Engagement Center, Haven Ministry Inc., and Shepard's Pie

**BEEHIVES**

- A collection of beehives maintained by the Beekeeping Club
  - Each hive has a name: Honey Inc., Nectar Nirvana, Swarm Squad, Pollen Party, and Hive Five
  - 13 gallons of honey is harvested each year

**ACTIVITIES AT THE CEER**

- The CEER is busy throughout the year with events
  - Potlucks to build community between faculty, staff, and students
  - Autumn Acres, the CEER’s annual fall festival
  - Educational events about gardening, pollinators, and our watershed
  - Tours of the FRI, Greenhouse, and CEER grounds

Come visit the CEER, it is just west of the baseball field and Sassafras parking lot