



# Campus Engagement & Student Involvement

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# 9/20/21

- **Welcome – recap from last week**
- **Sustainability Best Practices Guide**
- **Calendar**
- **RSOs/Student Groups**
- **Sustainability Opportunities / Events**

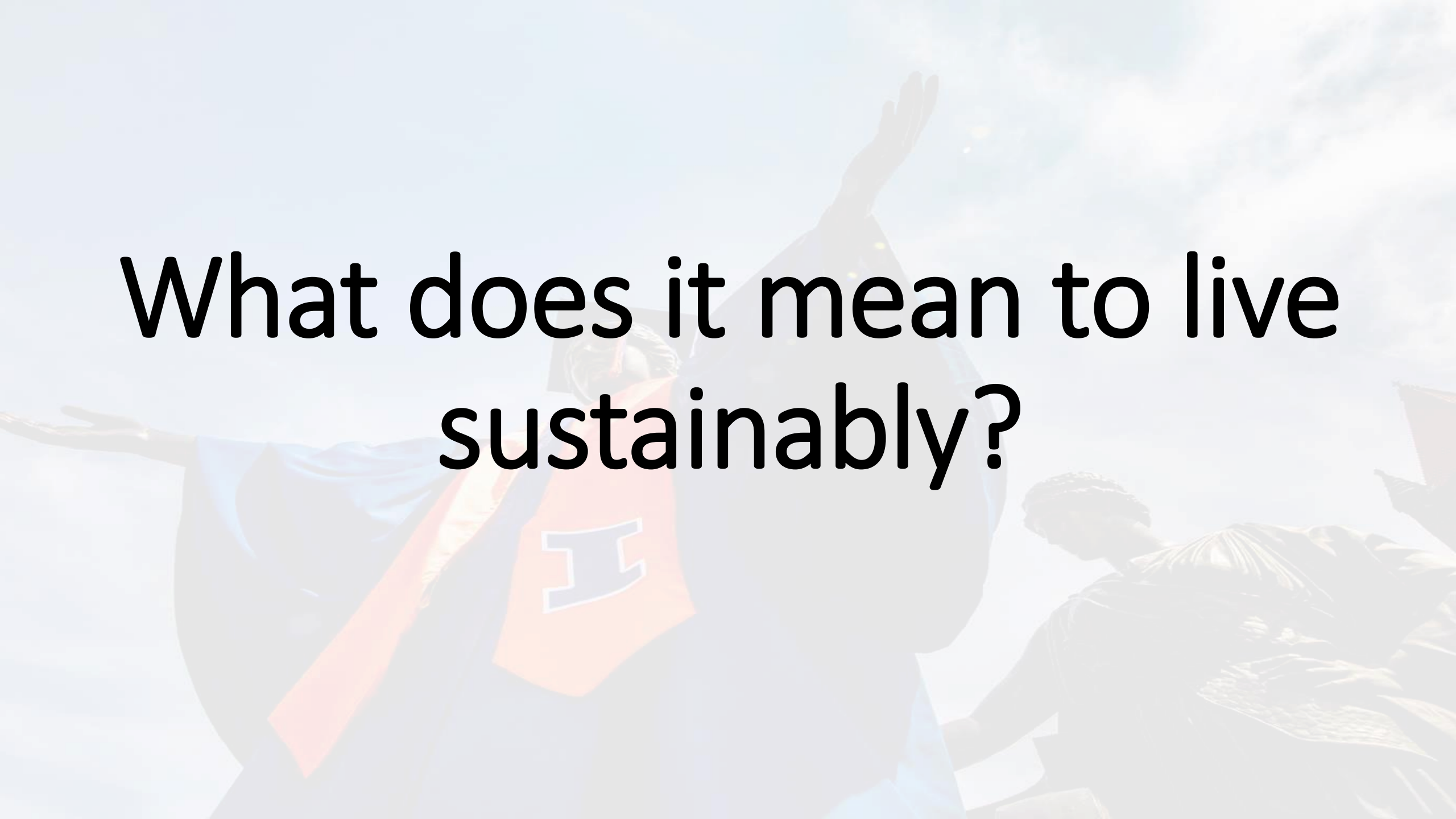


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What does it mean to live  
sustainably?

# Sustainability Best Practice Guide

## Sustainability Best Practices Guide

*Learn how to get involved and stay informed*



### BACKGROUND

Overview of campus sustainability and achievements



### GET INVOLVED

Sustainability groups and organizations



### THINGS TO DO AT HOME

Tips for living a more sustainable lifestyle



### COMMON MISCONCEPTIONS

Common misconceptions about sustainability - debunked!



### RESOURCES

A list of websites to explore and learn more

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# iSEE Sustainability Calendar

Illinois Sustainability Calendar



SEPTEMBER, 2021 < >

21 SEP	GULF OF MEXICO TIDAL MARSH BIRDS: ECOLOGY AND CONSERVATION
23 SEP	CLIMATE CHANGE AND THE VIRTUES OF PESSIMISM
24 SEP	GLOBAL CLIMATE STRIKE
28 SEP	Q&A WITH "PICTURE A SCIENTIST" DIRECTOR
29 SEP	TED: TALK ECO- EDITION



Suggest an item for this calendar

[Submit an event here >>>](#)

<https://sustainability.illinois.edu/outreach/calendar/>



# Student Sustainability Committee



Calendar (Student Sustainability)  
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Today ↑ ↓ October 2021 Month Print

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sep 26	27 5 PM Food & Wa <a href="#">🔗</a>	28 5 PM Land, Wate <a href="#">🔗</a>	29 5 PM Transportat <a href="#">🔗</a>	30 5 PM Comms + S <a href="#">🔗</a> 5 PM Energy Wor <a href="#">🔗</a>	Oct 1 5 PM Education & <a href="#">🔗</a>	2
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# Students for Environmental Concerns (SECs)

- Oldest and largest environmental organization
- 6:30 PM every Wednesday at Channing Murray Building (1209 W Oregon St)
- <https://secsatuiuc.web.illinois.edu/>
- <https://www.facebook.com/SECSUIUC/>



# Solar Decathlon



- Competes in DOE Build and Design competition to build full-size net zero/solar powered homes
- Have built five houses since 2007
- [ADAPTHAUS](#)
- [Solar Decathlon](#)



# Illinois Solar Car



- Build, design, and race solar cars
- No experience necessary
- [Solar Car Video](#)
- <https://www.illinisolarcar.com/>



# Society of Women Engineers

- Largest engineering organization on campus - great support system for women in engineering!
- Variety of committees and events (many sustainability opportunities!)
- <https://www.societyofwomenengineers.illinois.edu/>





# Red Bison

- Ecological restoration group that maintains a healthy ecosystem in Champaign-Urbana's grasslands and forests by controlling invasive species, running prescribed burns, and learning more about native wildlife
- <https://www.facebook.com/redbisonrso/>
- [Red Bison Video](#)



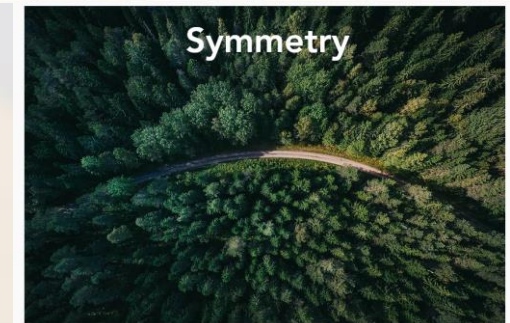
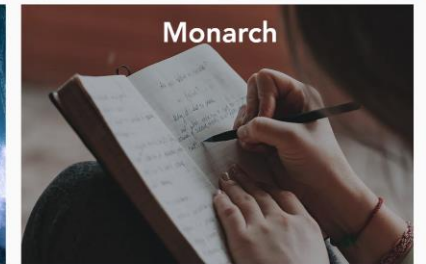
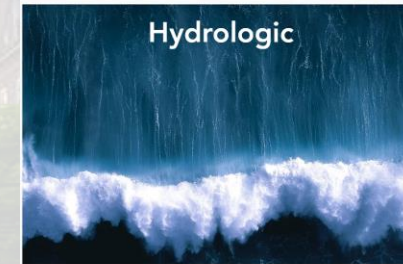
# From the Ground Up

- Works to create sustainable native ecosystems on campus and surrounding communities through education, restoration practices, collaborations, and love
- [FTGU Video](#)
- <https://www.facebook.com/UIUCFromtheGroundUp/>



# Enactus

- Build and develop businesses that serve a social/environmental need
- Portfolio of 7 projects address a span of issues from senior citizen loneliness to deforestation
- [Enactus video](#)





# Project 4 Less

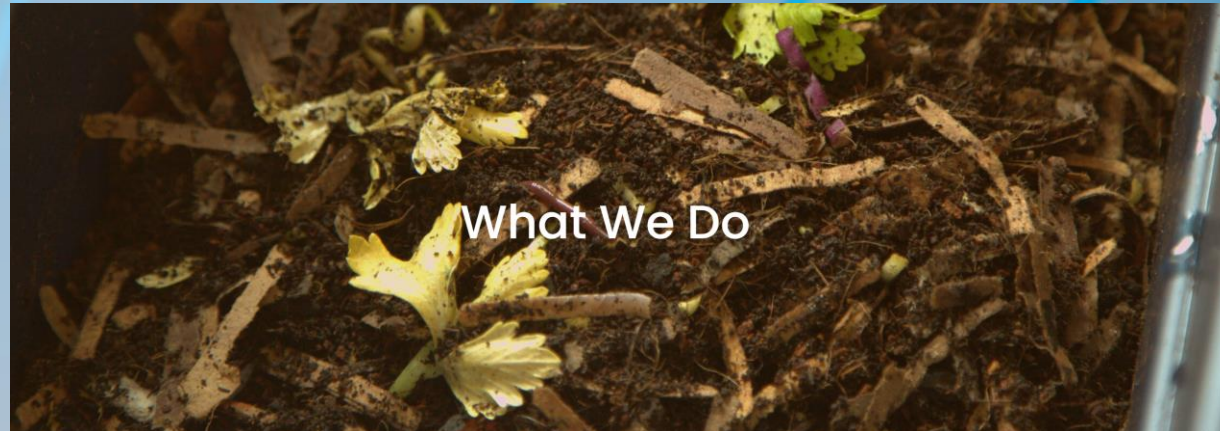
- Food packing – 5 PM on Wednesday nights (sign up required)
- <https://www.facebook.com/Project4Less/>





# VermiCULTure

- Environmental organization focused on addressing climate change issues related to food waste management
- Since 2021, vermiCULTure has gifted 48 starter kits to their participants to kickstart their vermicomposting journey
- <https://www.vermiculture.eco/>



# Act Green

- Increase undergraduate students' understanding of the connection between their business area of interest and environmental sustainability
- Educational programming and workshops to empower the next generation of global business leaders
- <https://actgreenuiuc.wixsite.com/actgreen>





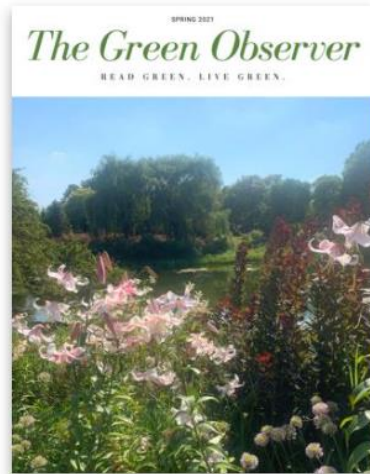
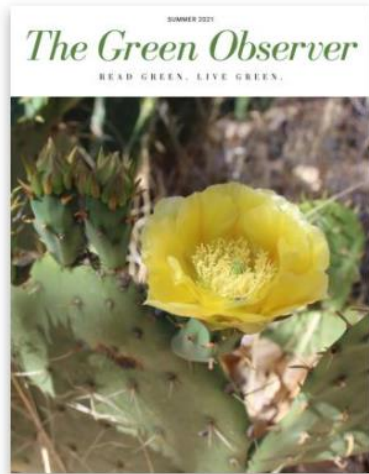
# Grow2Give



- Grow produce to donate and give to those who need it most
- Create green space on the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign campus
- Create an important connection with our community
- <https://grow2give.webflow.io/>

# Green Observer

- Student-run organization dedicated to shedding light on environmental issues around campus
- <https://issuu.com/greenobserver>





# Student Sustainability Leadership Council (SSLC)

- Student-led committee of representatives from environmental organizations, facilitating communication between students and campus sustainability



# Sustainable Student Farm

- Support local – Farm Stand open on Quad from 11 AM – 4 PM Thursdays
- Hiring students!
- <https://www.thefarm.illinois.edu/>





# CCNet

- Champaign County Sustainability Network
- Mission to enable a knowledgeable, inclusive community through voluntary group discussion activities
- Monthly lunch brown bag discussions and activities
- [Sign up here](#)

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Network



# Certified Greener Campus Programs



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EICzUtFY5bM>

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# ILLINI LIGHTS OUT

Help campus reduce its environmental footprint just by turning out the lights!

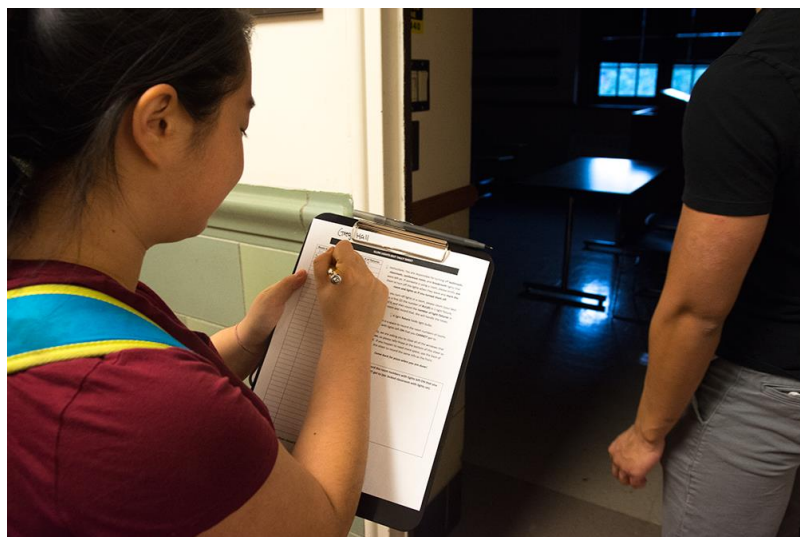
## Fall 2021 Event Dates

Fridays from 5:30 to 7 p.m.!

Sept. 17 • Oct. 22 • Nov. 12 • Dec. 3



**Click here to  
sign up!**



**153,091**

Lights turned off through Spring 2020

**190.8**

Tons of carbon dioxide equivalent saved  
through Spring 2020

**27,258**

Dollars saved in energy bills through Spring  
2020



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# What can you do?

- Get involved
- Show up, lead by example
- Talk about it
- Reach out if you have an idea, notice a problem, or if something stands out to you

*We are in this together ~ let's have some fun!*