



Welcome to the third edition of the GC Green Newsletter!

This is a monthly newsletter that will feature recycling information, going green events, how to get involved on campus, and all things green. A new edition will be sent out on the last day of each month. This edition covers what we did in May and what to look forward to next month. Stay tuned for June's edition!

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Follow us on social media!



Stay up to date on our upcoming events

Make sure you're following the Office of Sustainability on all of our platforms to stay updated on our upcoming events and ways to get involved. You might even win some swag!

Each platform is hyperlinked below, so simply click the links to find our pages!

Facebook: [Green Initiative](#) & [Georgia College Sustainability Fee Council](#)

Instagram: [@gc_go_green](#)

Twitter: [@gc_go_green](#)

Wordpress: [gcgreen.wordpress.com](#)

Find the answers to Recycling FAQs: [gcsu.edu/green](#)

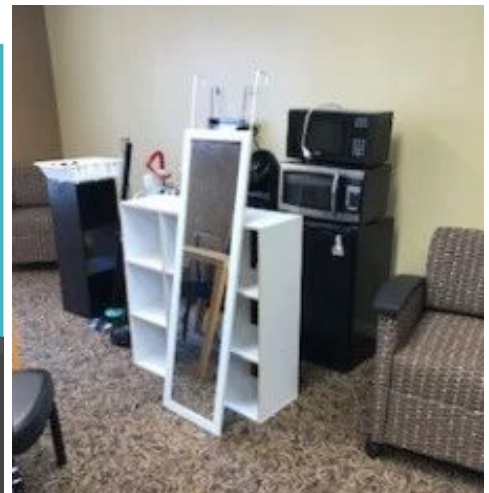
Get involved on campus: [GC Environmental Science Club](#)

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Dodge the Dump

Donating during Move-Outs

Every year, Dodge the Dump allows students to donate their gently used furniture and appliances, clothes, cleaning supplies, bedding, room decor, non-perishable food, among other items during move-out. Students are able to donate throughout the week by dropping items off in their residence halls and can donate at the staffed collection stations during the last two days of the semester. This year's event was a great success, with students donating over 310 items, including futons, cleaning supplies, food, refrigerators, microwaves, lamps, and clothes. The picture below shows a few of the donated items collected in one of the residence halls. The charities receiving donations included Salvation Army, the Milledgeville Community Garden Association, Comfort Farms, and the Life Enrichment Center. These donations will greatly help those in dire need in the Milledgeville community.



Colin Maldonado Environmental Hero Award

Determination, Faith, Optimism, and Kindness

The Colin Maldonado Environmental Hero award was created in memoriam of Colin Maldonado, a 2013 graduate of Georgia College with an environmental science major and a minor in geology. The Environmental Science Club and the GC Sustainability Council created this award in 2014 to honor Colin's determination, faith, optimism, and kindness. The award recognizes Georgia College students who best exemplify Maldonado's belief that individuals can make a difference and help us attain a sustainable future.

2017 Georgia College graduates, Andrew Wright and Emma Brodzik, were this year's recipients of the Colin Maldonado Environmental Hero award. As the 2016 President of the Gardening Club and Sustainability Fee Program Assistant Director for the Sustainability Council, Andrew Wright was a major force in writing the proposals for and the creation of the West Campus Garden and compost site. As an economics major, Director of Environmental Affairs for SGA, Sustainability Fee Program Director for the Sustainability Council, and an intern for the Office of Sustainability, Emma Brodzik planned and organized the 2017 Sustainability Symposium with guest speaker Xiuhtezcatl Martinez, among other events throughout the year. Both of these students displayed a dedication to environmentalism and truly made a long-lasting difference in the community, making them well deserving of this award.



Facilities BBQ

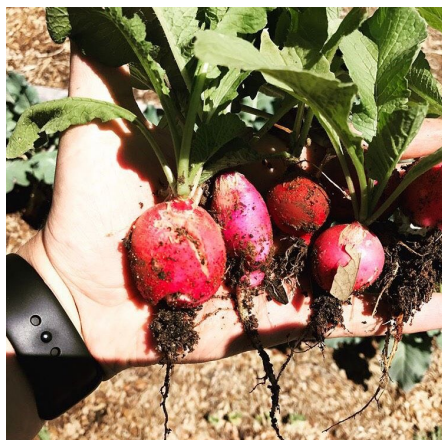
Going green after graduation

The annual after-graduation Facilities BBQ, at West Campus, celebrated a successful end to another school year. This year, aluminum and plastic were collected, as a sustainability effort, for recycling. This integration of eco-friendly practices will be included during next year's celebration as well.

West Campus Garden

Summer Gardening Activities

The [GC Gardening Club](#) is continuing their garden workdays throughout the summer. Every Tuesday morning through May and June from 7-9am the Gardening Club will be hosting their summer workdays. Check out their [Facebook page](#) to stay updated on their summer workdays. You can earn volunteer hours, bring home freshly picked produce, and gain some gardening skills! Some of the summer crops that are ready to be harvested include onions, broccoli, strawberries, kale, lettuce, and more! The Garden is open to all students, no gardening experience needed.



Earth Week Snapchat

Snapchat Takeover

In honor of Earth Week, the Office of Sustainability took over the Georgia College Snapchat. Throughout the week, followers were able to virtually meet the staff of the Office of Sustainability, get a tour of the composting site and campus garden, and learn what can and cannot be recycled on campus. The Snapchat was updated to show all of the festivities throughout the week! In case you missed it, you can watch the stories [here](#) on our YouTube channel.

Events in June

Looking ahead!

June 5: World Environment Day

June 8: World Oceans Day

June 15: Global Wind Day

June 9, 16, 23 and July 14, 21: Bobcat Marketplace (11-2)

- The Office of Sustainability will be tabling over the summer for New Student Orientations.
- Stop by our table to learn more about what we do and how to get involved!