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The Campus Sustainability Newsletter

Free Printer Exchange for Campus Departments—July Only

Berkeley Employees:

Have an old, inefficient desktop printers in your department?

Join in a campus-wide effort to reduce energy usage and costs!

This month Procurement Services & Office of Sustainability are offering a desktop printer exchange!

As the campus looks to reduce costs and increase efficiencies in procurement and administration, we are continuing a targeted pilot program to upgrade printers and use less energy. New equipment can use 40% less energy and can run cooler and last longer. **We would like to take your old inefficient desktop printer off your hands for free in exchange for one of the two Energy Star rated options highlighted.**

There is a limited supply of replacements available, so distribution of the new printers will be on a first come

first served basis with priority given to the oldest printers. Please select the model you feel is comparable to the model you are turning in as all requests will be reviewed by Procurement and Sustainability staff.

This program is available for any desktop printer owned by the University (personal printers are not eligible), so if you do not personally use a desktop printer but know someone who does—please pass the word along.

Submit your Request by Friday, July 26th.

For more information & to complete the application material contact Alex Butler in Procurement
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Printer Exchange Options



[HP Officejet Pro 251dw](#)



[HP LaserJet Pro 400 color Printer M451dw](#)

Green Event Attendees Total 38,000

The Office of Sustainability runs a Green Event Certification program in order to encourage sustainable practices during university-associated events.

Since the program began in May 2009, 130 events have been certified with a total of about 38,000 attendees. Of the events, 75% offered composting, 61% offered sustainable food, and 36% were student organized.

There are three levels of certifications: “green event,” “zero waste event,” and “zero waste green event.” All include a zero waste and/or sustainable food requirement, plus some additional criteria.

The Green Speed Networking event, organized by PowerSave Campus in March 2013, was one such event. Besides offering networking opportunities for environmentally inclined students, this event provided recycling, composting, and fair trade, local, organic food from the Berkeley Student Food Collective. In addition,

the Green Speed Networking event abstained from the use of any bottled water, printed all flyers on 100% recycled paper, and adhered to the UC Berkeley Guide to Healthy Meetings and Events.

Another student event was the Project Greenway: Trashion Show, organized by members of UC Berkeley Housing to demonstrate some fun and creative uses of “trash.” The show provided compost bins, sustainability-related speakers, and offered no bottled water. Not only did the Speed Networking and Trashion Show events make an effort to provide a sustainable venue, they encouraged sustainable thinking in over 100 students.

For more information [Click Here](#). Everyone is encouraged to host green events!



Renters, Go Green! Save on Water, Energy, Waste and More, 7/16/13

You don't have to own a house to live comfortably, affordably, and efficiently. With just a little support from community organizations, you can make cost-saving energy upgrades in your apartment, help keep waste out of landfills, green your living space, and save money all at the same time!

Learn about all the resources available to you (or your tenants) at the upcoming Go Green Expo for Renters at the Ecology Center, Tuesday, July 16th.

Join representatives from Rising Sun Energy Center, Community Energy Services Corps,

the City of Berkeley Recycling Program, Stop-waste.org, the Ecology Center and others, to hear about low-cost, high impact steps you can take as a renter. The program includes short presentations followed by a chance to get your personal questions answered.

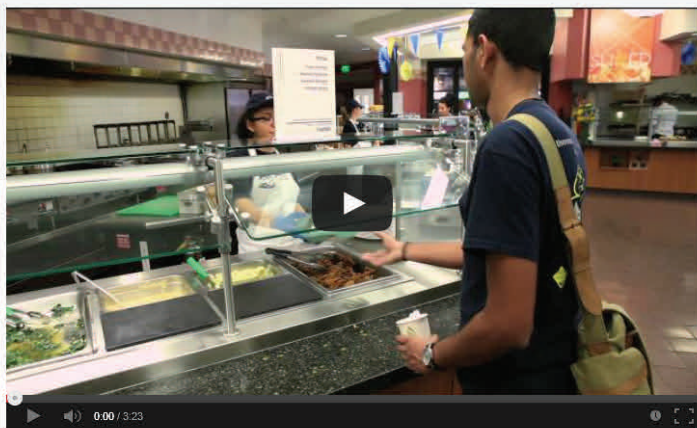
This event is sponsored by the [Berkeley Climate Action Coalition](#) (BCAC), a strong and growing network of local organizations and community members joining together to implement the City of Berkeley's ambitious, fifty-year [Climate Action Plan](#). We include residents, non-profits, the City of Berkeley, neighborhood groups, faith based organizations, schools, businesses, UC Berkeley, and others.

Date: Tuesday, July 16th
Time: 7pm - 9pm
Location: Ecology Center, 2530 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley
Cost: Free

We hope you will bring along a fellow renter to this free event. For more details, [click here](#).



Watch How Cal Dining Sustainably Imagines and Innovates



We imagine and innovate: Watch a short video about this campus team that's already living by the words "We imagine and innovate" - one of UC Berkeley's five Operating Principles.



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UCB Takes Home Three Sustainability Awards

"UC Berkeley's Maximino Martinez Commons, Fight the Flow and the LeanPath waste reduction system each won a 2013 Best Practice award at the California Higher Education Sustainability Conference this week.

At the conference, UC Berkeley was recognized for its exemplary work in developing sustainable practices. The conference aims to bring together all the higher education systems in California so that they can share sustainable ideas and encourage other campuses to implement similar programs."



Powersave Campus receives the student sustainability award for UC.

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Read more of [Elise Aliotti's](#) article in the [Daily Cal](#).

Climate Action

Some news, tips, and opportunities for climate action

- [Obama Releases Climate Action Plan.](#)
- [Energy Efficiency Driving Tips for Summer - Save Fuel - Save \\$.](#)
- Go all electric! Deals for university employees through July - Buy or lease a Nissan Leaf—[see more info on the UCSF website.](#)

