

BEREA COLLEGE



SUSTAINABILITY
DIRECTORY

A guide to sustainability initiatives
and programs at Berea College

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INTRODUCTION

With the ecological renovation of several campus buildings, the creation of the Sustainability and Environmental Studies (SENS) academic program, and the continuation and establishment of various other sustainability initiatives, Berea College has made great strides toward becoming a more sustainable campus in the past decade.

There are several departments and individuals on campus that practice sustainability. The purpose of this directory is to provide a guide to these resources, including basic contact information, regular activities, recent accomplishments, and the basic constituents that each program serves. This guide also serves as a networking tool for on-campus and off-campus constituents who are interested in collaborating with and learning from one another.

In an effort to include as many departments, programs, and individuals as possible in this directory, entries and updates will be accepted on a regular basis. If you are engaged in formal sustainability-related programs or activities at Berea College or have additional information to share about existing entries, please complete the form at the end of this guide and indicate whether you are a formal campus group or an individual engaged in sustainable practices in your particular area. Most formal programs should already be included in the guide, so individuals in the campus community (both those who are working within a relevant campus group and those who are not affiliated with an official sustainability department or program at the College) are welcome to complete a separate form to indicate personal involvement in other sustainability-related activities on campus and/or in the community.

If you would like to submit a sustainability directory form or if you have questions or comments, please contact:

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Thanks for your interest and/or participation in sustainability at Berea College!

DEPARTMENTS/PROGRAMS

Name:	10 x 10 Campaign
Department:	CELTS/HEAL
Contact:	Maya Benami, Elizabeth Nolan, Danielle Spencer
Campus Location:	Bruce-Trades 2 nd floor
CPO:	2170
Extension:	3613
Fax:	859-985-3809
Email:	benamim@berea.edu ; nolane@berea.edu ; spencerd@berea.edu ;
Website:	http://www.berea.edu/CELTS/sfa/heal/currentcampaigns.asp
Regular Activities:	Work to raise the awareness of the injustice of fossil fuels (such as mountain top removal) and encourage students to actively respond to these injustices. We mobilize students to conferences, educate the campus and community about sustainability issues by providing workshops, PowerPoints, conferences, forums, flyers, e-mails, demonstrations, and various other presentations.
Recent Accomplishments:	Organized the Light Bulb Brigade (the changing out of incandescent light bulbs to fluorescent light bulbs in the dorms which will save Berea College over \$13,000 in the next four years), Coal display, Earthroots festivities in April, Dorm Competition, Eco-Olympics, SEAC conference, and Mountain-top removal field trip. In the process of building a solar panel, attending the Southeast Renewable Energy Conference in Knoxville, and organizing Earth Month Activities.
Other Information:	Mission Statement- "The "Ten by Ten" Student Initiative at Berea College is part of the growing national movement of students and youth working for energy justice on our campuses and in our communities. We believe true sustainability and stewardship to the communities that Berea College aims to serve requires a conscious and preemptive transition to clean renewable energy sources. We work to reduce overall use at Berea College and we encourage Berea College to meet ten percent of the energy demand with clean renewable energy sources by the year 2010. We work to raise awareness of the injustices of fossil fuel use, such as environmental racism, and to empower students to actively respond to these injustices."

Name: Berea Bikes Cooperative
Department: CELTS/HEAL
Contact: Rufus "Tahz" Walker
Campus Location: Basement La Vida Nueva/Women's Cooperative
CPO: 1759
Extension: 859-358-2510
Fax: 859-985-3809
Email: Heal@bereda.edu
Website: www.bereabikescoop.blogspot.com
Regular Activities: bike maintenance/bike share/ group bike rides/ tool share/ recycling bicycles
Recent Accomplishments: We have done two critical mass group bike rides in the Berea area. We worked last semester with the Madison County Safety department and applied for a mini-grant to bring more supplies and safety gear into the bike shop.
Target Service Group: Now we target primarily students and staff of Berea College, although in the near future I would like to see more collaborations with the local towns-people and support a more bikeable Berea.
Other Information: Any you have any bike maintenance needs or are looking for a used bike it is the only alternative to Wal-mart in the area.



Name: Berea College Forestry
Department: Business and Administration
Contact: John Perry
Campus Location: Office-Goldthwaite Ag building-114
CPO: 2133
Extension: 3587
Fax: 859-985-3873
Email: john_perry@berea.edu
Website: <http://www.berea.edu/forestry>
Regular Activities: Forest serves as a recreational area for hiking and structure for the management goals of wood, water, wildlife and recreation. Forestry department manages the Berea College Forest based on up to date forest science, maintaining and improving physical facilities and records while enhancing, studying and utilizing varied resources.
Recent Accomplishments:
Other Information:



Name:	Campus Environmental Policy Committee (CEPC)
Department:	College Governance Committee
Contact:	Richard Olson, Jim Dontje, or Randy Adams
Campus Location:	
CPO:	1921 (Richard Olson's CPO)
Extension:	3593
Fax:	859-985-3698
Email:	Richard_olson@berea.edu ; jim_dontje@berea.edu ; randy_adams@berea.edu
Website:	http://www.berea.edu/sens/sustainabilityinitiatives/cepc.asp
Regular Activities:	Makes College land-use decisions, measures progress of Berea College towards ecological sustainability, identifying opportunities for linkages between actions taken to increase the ecological sustainability of the campus, and the efforts of the SENS Program and others to increase the awareness and understanding of students, faculty, and staff of environmental issues and pathways toward sustainability.
Recent Accomplishments:	Sustainability Indicators, building energy use placards
Other Information:	

Name:	Child Development Lab (CDL)
Department:	Child and Family Studies
Contact:	Susan Yorde
Campus Location:	125 Jefferson Street (Ecovillage)
CPO:	2144
Extension:	3620
Fax:	859-985-3766
Email:	susan_yorde@berea.edu
Website:	http://www.berea.edu/childdevelopmentlab/
Regular Activities:	The CDL is designed to provide high quality childcare and inclusive early education experiences for the young children of college students, staff, and faculty. It serves as a learning laboratory for college students involved in the programs within the Department of Child and Family Studies as well as other programs of study on campus such as nursing, psychology, and education studies. It also serves as a rich resource for the scholarly and creative work of faculty and students who have an interest in child development, family life, and teaching/ learning processes, and it serves the Appalachian Region by demonstrating exemplary services and by being a resource to other childcare and early education programs.
Recent Accomplishments:	The CDL has recently hosted visitors from Denmark and Japan.
Other Information:	The CDL is a child care facility licensed by the State of Kentucky to serve 130 children. Hours of operation are 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.



Name: College Gardens/Greenhouse

Department/Program: Agriculture and Natural Resources

Contact: Sean Clark; Meg Alexander

Campus Location: Office Location: 212 Agriculture Building; Gardens location: behind Kettering residence hall

CPO: 1743

Extension: 3402

Fax: 859-985-3873

Email: sean_clark@berea.edu; meg_alexander@berea.edu

Website: www.berea.edu/gardensgreenhouse

Regular Activities: composting made from food residuals and landscaping waste used as potting medium in the greenhouse and as a soil amendment in the gardens; growing/harvesting of produce (such as organically grown greens) to sell to local businesses and community members

Spring plant sale made up of certified organic transplants

Recent Accomplishments:

Target Service Group: The College and local community

Other Information: The entire Berea College gardens and greenhouse have recently been declared, certified organic.

We have been working with Gary Heine of Heine Brothers Coffee in Louisville, KY. We are experimenting with different compost recipes to figure out the best way to turn his massive amounts of used coffee grounds into compost. The compost will then be used and sold to fund community and school garden plots in Jefferson County.



Name: Ecovillage
Department: Residence Life Collegium
Contact: Connie Briggs, Ecovillage Coordinator
Campus Location: Jefferson Street
CPO: 1732
Extension: 3179; 859-986-2004
Fax: 859-985-3942
Email: connie_briggs@berea.edu
Website: <http://www.berea.edu/sens/ecovillage/>
Regular Activities: Apartments for married couples and parents, SENS House, Child Development Lab, neighborhood full of children and sustainable family values.
Recent Accomplishments:
Other Information:




Name:	Green Team
Department/Program:	SENS/Residence Life
Contact Person:	Teri Williams, Collegium Member
Campus Location:	3 rd floor Woods-Penn (Residence Life Collegium Office)
CPO:	2167
Extension:	3631
Fax:	859-985-3942
Email:	teri_williams@berea.edu
Website:	
Regular Activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourages RAs to do at least one sustainability related program in each hall per semester. E.g “Green makeover of Kettering” Oct 25th. SENS Director Megan is doing this. • Creation of Sustainability RA or 10x10 contacts or Recycling Director positions in each residence hall. 10X10 group is a student led group interested in monitoring and reducing energy use in the residence halls and other areas of campus. In Spring 2005 Green Team and the 10X10 group embarked on a project to replace incandescent light bulbs in the residence halls with compact fluorescent bulbs. • La Vida Nueva is a student cooperative that tries to use local grown produce. It composts and recycles some of its waste. It encourages cultural diversity. • GT encourages and supports College-wide recycling by working closely with Facilities Management Recycling. Inter-residence halls recycling competition was resumed in fall 2004. The amount of waste recycled in the residence halls jumped from 1602 pounds in Fall 2004 to 4371 pounds in Spring 2005 since the GT started the recycling competition.
Recent Accomplishments:	
Target Service Group:	The Green Team (GT) supports campus “green” efforts and tries to be the link between students in the residence halls and the various campus organizations doing sustainability related work. Some of the groups GT supports or collaborates with are: SENS, 10x10, Campus Recycling, La Vida Nueva, HEAL, Ecovillage, etc.
Other Information:	

Name:	HEAL
Department:	Center for Excellence in Learning Through Service (CELTS)
Contact:	Corrie Spellman
Campus Location:	2 nd Floor Bruce-Trades Building (in CELTS)
CPO:	2170
Extension:	3935
Fax:	859-985-3809
Email:	Corrie_Spellman@berea.edu
Website:	http://www.berea.edu/celts/sfa/heal/default.asp
Regular Activities:	HEAL is a student led environmental and social justice organization. They work for structural and personal change to create a just and sustainable world. They try to accomplish this through progressive campaigns, direct action, and educational opportunities in the Berea College community.
Recent Accomplishments:	<p>Fundraising and Installation of 1Kw solar panel on the alumni building.</p> <p>The 10x10 campaign is beginning a tradition of Eco-Olympic competition among the dorms to create a culture of conservation</p> <p>Fair Trade Coffee is now sold in the Berea College Bookstore at a discount to campus departments</p> <p>20 Bikes were launched from the Berea Bikes Cooperative Bike shop last spring. Those bikes are available to and in use by Berea College students for check out for the Bike Shop.</p> <p>HEAL has adopted a new campaign called the Child Abuse Awareness campaign that will education students about the children who suffer from child abuse in KY and what legislation we can support to benefit these children.</p>



Name:	La Vida Nueva
Department:	Residence Life Collegium (Specialty Housing)
Contact:	Teri Williams, Collegium Member
Campus Location:	Kettering Circle
CPO:	2167
Extension:	3631
Fax:	859-985-3942
Email:	Teri_williams@bereda.edu
Website:	
Regular Activities:	Commitments to feminism, environmentalism, simple-living styles, anticlassism, diversity, sexual orientation and gender identity, antiracism, nonviolence, emotional and spiritual growth.
Recent Accomplishments:	
Other Information:	

Name:	Local Food Initiative (LFI)	
Department:		
Contact:	Tammy Clemons	
Campus Location:	220 Bruce	
CPO:	2094	
Extension:	3610	
Fax:		
Email:	Tammy_clemons@bereda.edu	
Website:	http://www.bereda.edu/localfoodinitiative/default.asp	
Regular Activities:	LFI works very hard to increase the purchase of locally grown foods for all of Berea College's dining facilities, encourage campus use of College Farm and Garden products, and to provide new marketing opportunities for local growers	
Recent Accomplishments:	Awarded mini-grant for Local Food Guide, Second Green Steps Forum	
Other Information:		

Name: Recycling Program
Department/Program: Facilities Management
Contact Person: Kevin Long, Recycling Coordinator
Campus Location: Facilities Management
CPO: 2202
Extension: 3844
Fax: 859-985-3908
Email: kevinlong_berea.edu
Website: n/a
Regular Activities: Campus Recycling
Recent Accomplishments: 133.7 tons material recycled in 2005
Target Service Group: Berea College Campus
Other Information: Hours M-F 8-5 (closed 12-1 and Weekends)



Name:	Roots & Shoots: Berea Tree Snakes Member Group
Department/Program:	Ecovillage
Contact Person:	Megan Naseman
Campus Location:	Ecovillage
CPO:	1105
Extension	985-6418
Fax:	
Email:	Megan_Naseman@berea.edu
Website:	http://www.orgsites.com/ky/roots-and-shoots/ http://www.rootsandshoots.org/
Regular Activities:	Monthly (sometimes bi-monthly) meetings and projects
Recent Accomplishments:	Received active membership status from Jane Goodall for completing projects in each target area: care and concern for the human community, for animals, and the environment.
Target Service Group:	Any child of any age that wants to participate; current participants range in age from about 2 to 10.
Other Information:	Adult volunteers are always needed as well



Name: SENS House
Department: Sustainability and Environmental Studies/Ecovillage
Contact: Richard Olson, SENS Director
Campus Location: Jefferson Street/Ecovillage
CPO: 1921
Extension: 3103
Fax: 859-985-3873
Email: Richard_olson@bereda.edu
Website: <http://www.bereda.edu/sens/ecovillage/senshouse/default.asp>
Regular Activities: The SENS House is an ecologically designed residential, demonstration and teaching facility constructed as part of the Berea College Ecovillage. The SENS House is largely self-reliant for energy, water and waste treatment, employing a wide range of technologies for energy conservation and production, water conservation, waste treatment and use of local materials in construction.
Recent Accomplishments:
Other Information:



Name:	Sustainability and Environmental Studies (SENS)
Department:	Academic Programs
Contact:	Richard Olson, SENS Director
Campus Location:	Jefferson St.
CPO:	1921
Extension:	3103
Fax:	859-985-3873
Email:	Richard_olson@berea.edu
Website:	www.berea.edu/sens
Regular Activities:	The SENS House is an ecologically designed residential, demonstration and teaching facility constructed as part of the Berea College Ecovillage. The SENS House is largely self-reliant for energy, water and waste treatment, employing a wide range of technologies for energy conservation and production, water conservation, waste treatment and use of local materials in construction.
Recent Accomplishments:	
Other Information:	

INDIVIDUALS

Name:	Tammy Clemons, Sustainability Coordinator
Department/Program:	Ecological Sustainability Education (ESE)
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CPO:	2094
Extension:	3610
Fax:	
Email:	tammy_clemons@berea.edu
Website:	http://www.berea.edu/ease/staff
Regular Activities:	Developing campus and community programs; advocating for sustainability practices; facilitating interaction and collaboration among various groups on campus; identifying, promoting, and monitoring sustainability initiatives; preparing and disseminating information in print and electronic media on and off campus; and conducting and managing sustainability assessments.
Recent Accomplishments:	
Target Service Group: (Who do you serve?)	Campus and community
Other Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B.A., Berea College, 1999 • M.T.S., Harvard Divinity School, 2001

Name:	James Dontje, Assistant Professor
Department/Program:	SENS
Campus Location:	Agriculture 205B
CPO:	2016
Extension:	3948
Fax:	859-985-3873
Email:	james_dontje@berea.edu
Website:	www.berea.edu/sens http://faculty.berea.edu/dontje/
Regular Activities:	SENS courses, CEPC
Recent Accomplishments:	
Target Service Group:	Campus and community
Other Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B.A., Luther College, 1983 • M.A., University of Minnesota, 1994 • Ph.D., University of Minnesota, 1997

Name:	Richard Olson, SENS Director
Department/Program:	SENS
Campus Location:	Agriculture 205A
CPO:	1921
Extension:	3103
Fax:	859-985-3873
Email:	richard_olson@berea.edu
Website:	www.berea.edu/sens http://www.berea.edu/sens/people/richardolson.asp
Regular Activities:	SENS & Chemistry courses, Local Food Initiative
Recent Accomplishments:	
Target Service Group:	Campus and community
Other Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• B.A., Dartmouth College, 1973• M.A., University of North Carolina, 1975• Ph.D., University of Nebraska, 1998

Name:	Larry Shinn, President
Department/Program:	President's Office
Campus Location:	Lincoln Hall 210
CPO:	2182
Extension:	3520
Fax:	859-985-3915
Email:	larry_shinn@berea.edu
Website:	http://www.berea.edu/president/
Regular Activities:	<p>Regular interviews and presentations on behalf of Berea College include such topics as</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Team Energy • Colleges Compete to Shrink Their Mark on the Environment • Will Sustainability Take Root? • Berea College's "Ecological About Face" • <i>Kilowatt Ours</i> • Appalachian EcoVillage • Interview by Ernie Martin for Rebuild America Video <p>As well as writing on ecological issues such as "Living Upstream" and "The Inner Logic of Gandhian Ecology,"</p> <p>President Shinn also presented on such topics as "Berea's Vision Relative to Sustainability and Green Buildings" and the "Living Upstream" convocation at Union College.</p> <p>Built the first solar house in Ohio</p>
Recent Accomplishments:	President Shinn was the 2003 recipient of the Earth Day Award.
Target Service Group:	Overall campus, trustees, alumni and donors
Other Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B.A., Baldwin Wallace College, 1964 • M.Div., Drew Theological School, 1968 • Ph.D. History of Religions, Princeton University, 1972

Name:	Paul Smithson, Assistant Professor
Department/Program:	SENS/Chemistry
Campus Location:	Science 312A
CPO:	2064
Extension:	3716
Email:	paul_smithson@berea.edu
Website:	www.berea.edu/sens http://www.berea.edu/chemistry/people/paulsmithson.asp
Regular Activities:	SENS Director, Oversees Sustainable practices at SENS House
Recent Accomplishments:	
Target Service Group:	Campus and community
Other Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B.S., University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, 1973 • M.S., North Carolina State University, 1978 • Ph.D., North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC , 1990

Name:	Scott R. Steele
Department/Program:	Economics and Business
Campus Location:	Draper 122B
CPO:	2065
Extension:	3652
Fax:	859-985-3906
Email:	scott_steele@berea.edu
Website:	faculty.berea.edu/steeles/
Regular Activities:	Teaching Environmental Issues in Public Policy
Recent Accomplishments:	
Target Service Group:	Students (academic program), campus/local environmental issues
Other Information:	<p>Economist</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ph.D. 1997. University of Wisconsin, Department of Agricultural and Applied Economic ○ Dissertation title: Allocating Economic Opportunity: Three Models of Endogenous Institutional Change • M.S. (Agricultural Economics). 1993. Texas A&M University ○ Thesis title: An Economic Analysis of the Integrated Pest Management Program for Texas Pecan Production • M.A. (Philosophy). 1992. Texas A&M University ○ M.A. Internship Paper: Enforced Pesticide Restriction: An Ethical Discussion • B.A. (Philosophy). 1990. Texas Christian University

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