

# STUDENT ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### November 2nd

#### Blueprint Breakout

The Earth Summit's Blueprint for a Sustainable Campus is a living document that is revised each year through ten breakouts. This second breakout is the perfect way to get involved, and make our campus greener. Bring your own ideas to the table and even have them included in next years Blueprint. There is a free dinner catered by **Charlie Hong Kong** available to everyone who participates! This breakout's discussion topic is **Green Building, and Land, Habitat, and Watershed**. It will be held in the College Eight Red Room 201, from **5:30pm** to **8:30pm**. For more information or questions, contact [Eliza Milio](#).

### November 7th

#### ESLP

The Education for Sustainable Living Program is offering a unique opportunity to earn 10 units by leading your own class section on sustainability or social justice. The deadline for [applications](#) is November 7th, for more information contact ESLP [here](#).

### November 18th

#### Carbon Fund

The Carbon Funds were created to fund student, staff, or faculty projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions locally. [Applications](#) for your project are due on November 18th by 11:59pm so start signing up today! All additional documents and information are available at the Carbon Fund [website](#).



## GET INVOLVED NOW

TAKE A LOOK AT OUR WEEKLY UPDATES

The purpose of the Student Environmental Center is to promote student involvement through research, education, and implementation of environmentally sustainable practices on campus in collaboration with the university

## TAKE CONTROL OF YOUR TIME

Now that it is officially the middle of the fall quarter everyone on campus is feeling crunched for time. As we all recover from midterms and prepare ourselves for the next task, don't forget to make time for yourself. Set aside some time to relax, breath, and rest your body and mind. This will undoubtedly produce a calmer, happier, sharper you!

Use this new found energy to pursue your own interests. There are countless opportunities to get involved at UCSC, many hosted by the SEC. If you are interested in making this campus more sustainable, meeting amazing new people, having intelligent debates, and eating tasty food, you would fit in perfectly with the SEC!

Remember to join our Blueprint Breakout **tomorrow** in the College Eight Red room at **5:30** for incising discussions, intriguing people, and delicious food!



The Student Environmental Center is made up of four campaigns and two on-going projects; Waste Prevention, Transportation, Students for Organic Solutions, Green Building, College Eight Garden and Earth Summit. Each organization is busy spreading news of environmental issues across UCSC and Santa Cruz community. Contact us to learn how you can help make our campus sustainable through volunteer work, starting your own project, and much more!

## Announcements

### Waste Prevention

The Waste Prevention Campaign works toward creating Zero Waste by 2020. Click [here](#) to get involved and see how we do it. For more information on waste prevention work contact Amber at [aglaab@ucsc.edu](mailto:aglaab@ucsc.edu)



### Students for Organic Solutions

Students for Organic Solutions (SOS) brings foodies together to improve food systems on campus. Specifically to raise awareness about the health, environmental, social, and economic implications of our current approach to food. There are plenty of ways to get involved, learn more [here](#). For further information, contact Dominique at [dtteixei@ucsc.edu](mailto:dtteixei@ucsc.edu)



### General Gathering 10/2

#### Blueprint Breakout

Don't forget that this weeks General Gathering is being replaced by the second Blueprint Breakout of the year. It is still in the College Eight red room, but it starts at 5:30 so be there on time for a delicious dinner!

### Take Back the Tap



#### Ban Plastic Water Bottles

Take Back the Tap at UCSC is working hard to ban the sale of plastic water bottles on campus. If you want to get involved, come to the weekly meetings on Wednesdays from 4pm to 5pm at the Stevenson Cafe! Bring your friends and help UCSC make the next step toward sustainability!

### General Gathering 10/26

#### Community Workdays

The Program In Community and Agroecology (PICA) is holding weekly workdays on Sundays in the Village from 10:00am to 2:00pm. Come help work and enjoy a free organic lunch harvested from the garden!

#### Farm Bill 2012

The next years farm bill is being written as we speak, and will be completed by November 1st. Take action and make a difference in sustainable food, call your congressional delegation today to ensure a brighter future in food!

#### Grant

Don't miss out on these \$5000 grants for undergraduate projects involving climate change. The deadline is November 4th, so start [applying](#) now!

If your organization would like to add announcements to this newsletter, please [email](#) information by 9pm Monday.



### Green Building

The Green Building campaign offers opportunities for students to build and improve sustainability on campus, while Building Audits enable students to rate how green a building is. Click [here](#) for details about Green Building projects or contact Carson at [cbwatts@ucsc.edu](mailto:cbwatts@ucsc.edu)

### Transportation



The Transportation Campaign is dedicated to increasing

awareness of alternative transportation and challenging the current transportation system. The [Bike Class](#) is still open for enrollment, to learn more contact Jeff at [jschmelter101@gmail.com](mailto:jschmelter101@gmail.com)

### College 8 Garden

The College 8 Garden is a beautiful space that offers peer-facilitated education. Currently the garden is expanding and kicking off many exciting projects. The 1 unit class (CLEI 90) offered by College 8 Garden is just starting winter planting. For more details on how to get involved, [email](#) the College 8 Garden staff.



### Earth Summit

Earth Summit plans events such as the Blueprint for a Sustainable Campus and the annual Campus Earth Summit to bring individuals together to share ideas! To learn more about these collaborative events click [here](#). Or contact Eliza to get involved at [emilio@ucsc.edu](mailto:emilio@ucsc.edu)



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