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Accomplishments

Reductions of 107,552 MTCO₂e



Memorandum of Understanding

On June 17, 2008, Montclair State University signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) pledging to become an environmental steward by implementing a number of green initiatives that would reduce its carbon footprint and further improve our planet's environment. This partnership with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Montclair State University has resulted in reducing energy, water and solid waste production across campus operations.

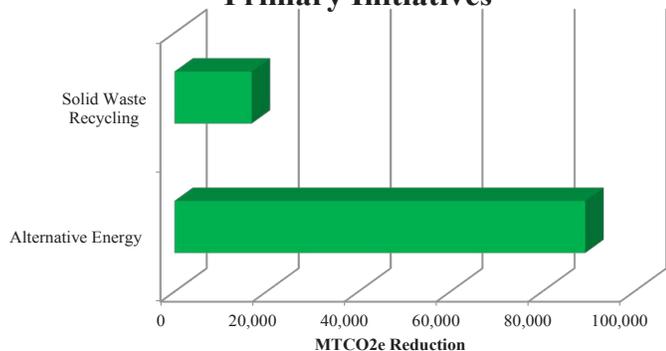
Reduction in Environmental Footprint

In the last five years, Montclair State University has provided nine updates documenting its green initiatives. The EPA has analyzed the submitted information and generated an environmental footprint for the organization. Due to the progressive green efforts of the organization, the university has managed to reduce its carbon footprint by 107,552 MTCO₂e* and saved an estimated \$11.8 million in operating expenses.

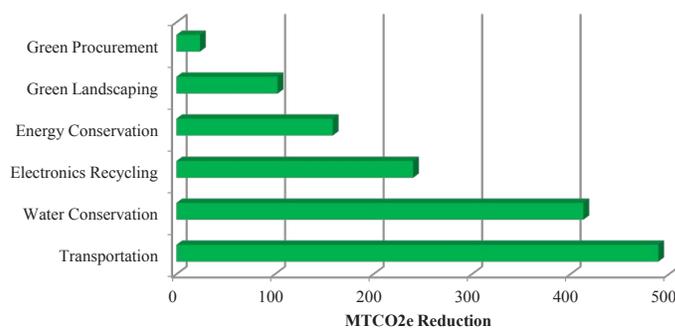
*Metric Ton Carbon Dioxide Equivalent

Environmental Metrics	Total Sector (MTCO ₂ e)
Energy Conservation	158.7
Alternative Energy	89,353.4
Water Conservation	413.2
Solid Waste	16,771.9
Green Procurement	23.8
Green Landscaping	102.6
Electronics Recycling	240.2
Transportation	489.2
Total (MTCO₂e)	107,552.8

Primary Initiatives



Secondary Initiatives



Measurement and Continuous Improvements

EPA uses these environmental conversion models to calculate metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalents:

Greenhouse Gas Equivalencies (GHG) Calculator converts GHG reductions into scenarios that can be easily communicated to the public.

eGRID Version 1.1 (2007) and the EPA Pollution Prevention (P2) GHG Conversion Tool which convert standard metrics for electricity, green energy, fuel use, chemical use, water use, and sustainable materials management into MTCO₂e.

The EPA WARM Model which helps calculate GHG emission reductions from several different waste management practices, including source reduction, recycling, combustion, composting and landfilling.

The EPA Pollution Prevention (P2) Cost Calculator that estimates cost savings associated with GHG reductions.

Certain environmental data points cannot be converted to MTCO₂e because scientific models do not currently exist.

As methodologies improve, environmental assessments will be updated to include any new GHG reduction estimates.

Accomplishments

Reductions of 107,552 MTCO₂e

Greenhouse Gas Equivalencies

What does the reduction of 107,552 MTCO₂e represent ?
The organization's effort is equivalent to any one of the following:

- Annual greenhouse gas emissions from 22,407 vehicles



- Carbon dioxide emissions from 12,057,489 gallons of gasoline



- Carbon dioxide emissions from 250,123 barrels of oil consumed



- Carbon dioxide emissions from the energy use of 5,535 homes for one year



- Carbon dioxide emissions from 4,481,367 propane tanks used for home barbeques



- Carbon dioxide emissions from gasoline carried by 1,419 tanker trucks



- Carbon dioxide emissions from burning 462 railcars' worth of coal (approx. 7 miles long)





Environmental Metrics	Jun 2010 Update	Dec 2010 Update	Jun 2011 Update	Dec 2011 Update	Jun 2012 Update	Dec 2012 Update	June 2013 Update	Total Conversion (MTCO2e)	Cost Savings (Est.)
Energy Conservation/Energy Star									
Total Savings (MTCO2e)	32.0	16.0	18.8	21.1	21.1	23.0	26.7	158.7	\$26,781
Miscellaneous Energy Conservation									
Motors and transformers									
Lighting Project Fixtures (Bulbs and Ballast)									
High Temp Hot Water Pipe Replacement									
HVAC, Chiller & Electrical									
Bulb Replacement (CFLs)			150 bulbs	275 bulbs	275 bulbs	375 bulbs	375 bulbs	26.9	\$4,542
Bulb Replacement (LEDs)	663 Fixtures	663 Fixtures	663 Fixtures	663 Fixtures	663 Fixtures	663 Fixtures	820 Fixtures	131.8	\$22,239
Gas / Fuel Oil / Steam Savings									
Alternative Energy									
Total Savings (MTCO2e)	12,067.4	9,472.6	10,327.8	10,327.8	10,327.9	10,428.6	10,272.5	89,353.4	\$11,454,154
On-Site Solar	1,712 kwh	1,712 kwh	1,712 kwh	1,712 kwh	1,779 kwh	137,436 kwh	106,000.9 kwh	190.9	\$32,227
On-Site Wind									
On-Site Geothermal									
On-Site Combined Heat and Power (4.3MW)	15,897.5 MWh	15,897.5 MWh	15,897.5 MWh	15,897 MWh	15,897.5 MWh	15,897.5 MWh	15,897.5 MWh	59,125.0	\$10,484,147
Purchase of Green Energy/Green Power		5,518,000 kwh	5,518,000 kwh	5,518,000 kwh	5,518,000 kwh	5,518,000 kwh	5,339,267.7 kwh	24,445.3	(\$6,092)
Energy Returned to the Grid	1,772.9 MWh		1,152 MWh	5,592.1	\$943,872				
Water Conservation/WaterSense									
Total Savings (MTCO2e)			82.6	82.6	82.6	82.6	82.6	413.2	\$96,234
Miscellaneous Water Conservation									
Low Flow/Hands Free Faucets									
Low Flow Toilets (985)			1,970,000 gal	24.1	\$20,016				
Low Flow Shower Heads (670)			770,500 gal + 100,500 kwh	382.5	\$70,792				
Low Flow Urinals (42)			96,600 gal	1.2	\$981				
Waterless Urinals (35)			437,500 gal	5.4	\$4,445				
Solid Waste Recycling									
Total Savings (MTCO2e)	246.8	246.8	246.8	232.8	225.0	224.2	14,767.2	16,771.9	\$241,022
Mixed Recyclables (includes WasteWise)	88 tons	88 tons	88 tons	83 tons	80.2 tons	80 tons	5274.01 tons	16,764.2	\$239,488
Pallets Waste Avoided/Wood Recycled									
Steel Recycled during Deconstruction									
Concrete / Asphalt Recycled during Deconstruction									
Recycled C & D Waste (Construction Waste)									
Cardboard (construction/non-construction/sharp containers)									
Mixed Metal (construction/non-construction)									
Paper, Mixed									
Plastic, Mixed (bottles, construction/non-construction, sharp containers)									
Blue Wrap									



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Electronics/EPEAT									
Total Savings (MTCO2e)	31.3		41.3	44.6	41.3	39.3	42.4	240.2	\$1,349
Recycling of Electronics			145 units	86 units	145 units	100 units	150 units	5.0	\$125
Re-Use/Donation of Used Computers	2800 computers		250 computers	600 computers	250 computers	150 computers	275 computers	48.3	\$822
Toner/Ink Recycling and Use of Recycled Ink			906 cartridges	906 cartridges	906 cartridges	900 cartridges	925 cartridges	185.4	\$363
Battery Recycling			250 batteries	150 batteries	250 batteries	50 batteries	268 batteries	1.6	\$39
Mass Transit									
Total Savings (MTCO2e)								0.0	\$0
Miles Avoided									
Transportation									
Total Savings (MTCO2e)	18.0	9.0	73.9	183.9	75.3	75.3	26.8	489.2	\$59,150
Hybrid Vehicles									
Gasoline/Ethanol Vehicles	3	3	19	19	19	19		282.0	\$4,400
Electric Vehicles			12	16	13	13	19	102.8	\$54,750
Biodiesel Vehicles				13				104.4	
Clean Construction Vehicles									
LNG Vehicles									
Alternate Fuel Vehicles (ULSDF)			2	2	2	2	3		
Smartway Transporters					2	2	2		
Bike Racks			42	42	42	42	42		
LEED Projects									
Total Savings (MTCO2e)								0.0	\$0
Silver - 10%			1 bldg						
Gold - 17%									
Platinum - 20%			1 bldg						
Misc. - Further Clarification									
Total Savings (MTCO2e)								0.0	\$0
NOX (equipment only)									
NOX (includes vehicles)									
MTCO2e Savings									
Total (MTCO2e)	12,412.6	9,753.6	10,812.3	10,902.6	10,794.8	10,881.5	25,228.1	107,552.8	\$11,883,521
Energy	32.0	16.0	18.8	21.1	21.1	23.0	26.7	158.7	\$26,781
Alternative Energy	12,067.4	9,472.6	10,327.8	10,327.8	10,327.9	10,428.6	10,272.5	89,353.4	\$11,454,154
Water	0.0	0.0	82.6	82.6	82.6	82.6	82.6	413.2	\$96,234
Solid Waste	246.8	246.8	246.8	232.8	225.0	224.2	14,767.2	16,771.9	\$241,022
Green Procurement	0.0	0.0	11.9	0.0	11.9	0.0	0.0	23.8	\$2,880
Green Landscaping	17.1	9.2	9.2	9.8	9.8	8.6	9.8	102.6	\$1,951
Electronics	31.3	0.0	41.3	44.6	41.3	39.3	42.4	240.2	\$1,349
Transportation	18.0	9.0	73.9	183.9	75.3	75.3	26.8	489.2	\$59,150



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Montclair State University Additional Green MOU Accomplishments and Cost Savings

Green Buildings

Montclair State University (MSU) has one of their buildings (University Hall) certified under the LEED (Leadership in Environmental and Energy Design) program.

MSU has applied for LEED Certification for 3 additional buildings:

- John J. Cali School of Music Department Building
- New School of Business Building
- Recreational Center

Green Purchasing

MSU purchases 100% recycled paper to use in their copy machines. The University also purchases roll paper towels and toilet paper that are made out of recycled materials. MSU also purchases green cleaning supplies. In fact, 80% of all cleaning products used on the campus are green cleaning supplies including glass cleaners, all purpose cleaners, neutral disinfectant floor cleaner, floor stripper, floor wax, and carpet shampoo.

Energy

Existing Combined and Power Co-generation Plant: The Co-generation plant produces thermal energy (steam) and electricity. The cogeneration facility has a yearly production of over 32 million kilowatt hours. Excess energy is sold back to the local distribution utility company under their existing buy back tariff. The co-generation plant generates more than 160 million pounds of steam every year. The majority of buildings on campus use energy produced by the co-generation plant for heating in winter and cooling in the summer.

Planned New Combined Heat and Power Co-generation Plant: A new state-of-the-art combined heat and power co-generation plant and its related infrastructure improvements will replace the campus' existing energy plant, which began generating steam in the 1940s and providing electricity as a co-generation plant in 1993. The new plant will provide natural gas-fired electric generation, chilled water, and steam for heat. The steam, condensate, and chilled water will be delivered to and returned from campus buildings via the new energy distribution system. The majority of the campus' electricity requirements will be satisfied by the onsite plant, which will be designed to operate continuously producing electric power of approximately 5.4 megawatts.

Waste Management

Organic/Food Waste Composting

Food scraps are collected from two kitchens on campus. The scraps are processed in an in-vessel aerobic digester after being mixed with wood chips (which serve as a bulking agent and carbon source for the bacteria that biologically decompose the food scraps). The compost is then used for landscaping projects around campus.

Electronic waste

The office of Information Technology at MSU has established a computer life-cycle replacement program to keep all computers for faculty and staff and those in public and teaching computer labs up to date. An inventory of all computers at MSU was compiled and a replacement program plan was created. The goal of the program was to replace the computers in the public and teaching labs and provide all faculty and staff members with one primary computer. The Office of Information Technology does three-year leases on the facilities computers. MSU has agreements with DELL, IBM and Hewlett Packard to send back old computers to the manufacturers so they can be recycled. MSU contracts with a computer and electronics recycling firm to properly handle the retirement of all E-waste that is not leased or returned to the supplier at the end of the life-cycle. In 2007, MSU launched a recycling program in collaboration with "Charitable Emporium.com, Inc." to recycle all brand name ink toner cartridges.

Transportation

To promote the use of public transportation and reduce the number of single occupant vehicles driven to campus, MSU and NJ Transit have partnered to offer full-time undergraduate and graduate students a 25% discount on a rail, bus, or light rail monthly pass when they enroll online through NJ TRANSIT's Quik-Tik program.

Buses - MSU's shuttle fleet runs on low sulfur diesel fuel. In addition to MSU's shuttle fleet, five bus lines currently operate on campus - four from NJ Transit and one private carrier.

Trains - There are two train stations adjacent to MSU's campus - Montclair State University station at the north end and Montclair Heights station at the south end.

Alternative fuel vehicles - MSU has electric vehicles for staff to use on campus as an alternative to diesel powered golf carts. These vehicles are used by various shops/ departments within Facilities and Dining Services.

Bicycle - MSU encourages students, faculty and staff to use bicycles. There are several bicycles racks on campus.

Water Use Reduction

Montclair State University has employed a program to reduce water usage at the University. MSU installed waterless urinals in the bathrooms located in University Hall in 2004. The waterless urinals use Ecotrap which consists of a lightweight biodegradable fluid called Blue Seal. The liquid traps the odors and sediment drops to the bottom of the trap to help prevent the pipes from clogging. The waterless urinals do not overflow and have reduced water usage by 45,000 gallons per year for each urinal. MSU has also reduced water usage by planting drought resistant and native plants for all newly constructed buildings. The facility does not need to install sprinkler systems or irrigation systems to water these plants.