



Spring 2023 January Newsletter

Subject: Exciting SSC Events!

Hello from the Student Sustainability Committee!

We hope you had a great break and start to your semester!

As a UIUC student, **you pay \$14 a semester** to keep SSC up and running!

Join SSC for its beginning-of-the-semester Open House event to learn more about where your money is going and how to get involved! You'll have the opportunity to hear about past SSC projects, spend one-on-one time with the Working Group Chairs, and maybe win some SSC swag!

We have a fun activity planned so we would love to see you there. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to come!

The Open House is:

- **TONIGHT, Thursday, January 19th from 5:00-6:00 pm**
- **Room 1038 of the Campus Instructional Facility (CIF).**

Also, we encourage you to attend SSC's bi-weekly **Working Group Meetings!** This is an opportunity for general members to work with Working Group Chairs to discuss new projects and other sustainability topics. Location and meeting times are as follows:

Energy & Transportation and Infrastructure

- MONDAYS at 5:00 pm

Food and Waste & Land, Water, and Air

- TUESDAYS at 5:00 pm

Education and Justice

- THURSDAYS at 5:00 pm

You can always find updated information on working groups and all other future events on our [calendar](#) and our social media (linked below).



Tuesday Talks

In our next Tuesday Talks, come and hear from a representative from the Urbana Park District on the “park district CARES (Climate Action, Resilience, Education and Sustainability) plan how they are implementing it.

- January 31st 12:00-1:00 pm
- The Spice Box



Career Panel

Come hear from a variety of professionals in the environmental field! Some speakers include:

- Heather Nifong, Associate Director of Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA)
- Fiona Munro, Sola Gratia Farm Education and Outreach Coordinator
- Andrew Rehn, Prairie Rivers Network Water Resources Engineer
- Jenn Walling, Illinois Environmental Council Executive Director
- Ester Ngumbi, Entomology Assistant Professor
- and more!!



Food and water (including vegan and vegetarian options) will be provided! We hope to see you there!

- February 15th 5:30-7:30 pm
- CIF 2035

Hosted by SSC, SECS, and SSLC. This event is green certified.

Stay in touch!

Check us out on [Instagram](#), [Discord](#), and the [SSC Webpage](#) to keep in touch! Along with keeping you updated about our events and deadlines, we also illuminate projects and members, as shown below.

Project Spotlight!

This newsletter, we wanted to highlight the SSC funded project "Project 4 Less".

They are an RSO that focuses on redirecting pre-consumer food waste from LAR to the community at the Wesley Food Pantry.

"Project 4 Less is also working on expanding its operations to recover more food through a grant from SSC," said the RSO president, Jenna Schafer. It is a great example of how students can get involved in reducing food waste on campus!



PROJECT SPOTLIGHT:

PROJECT 4 LESS

This campus RSO redirects food waste from LAR back to the table with help from volunteers. Meals that would have been wasted are distributed to students and the community at Wesley Food Pantry.





Member Spotlights!

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Tori Lawlor

VICE CHAIR
COMMUNICATIONS

Meet Tori! She's a junior double majoring in Agricultural and Consumer Economics and Communications. She does so much for the SSC in her role as Vice Chair - Communications (the mastermind behind our social media, newsletters, and so much more) THANKS TORI!

That's all from us! Hope to see you Thursday at our **Open House!**

The SSC Communications Team