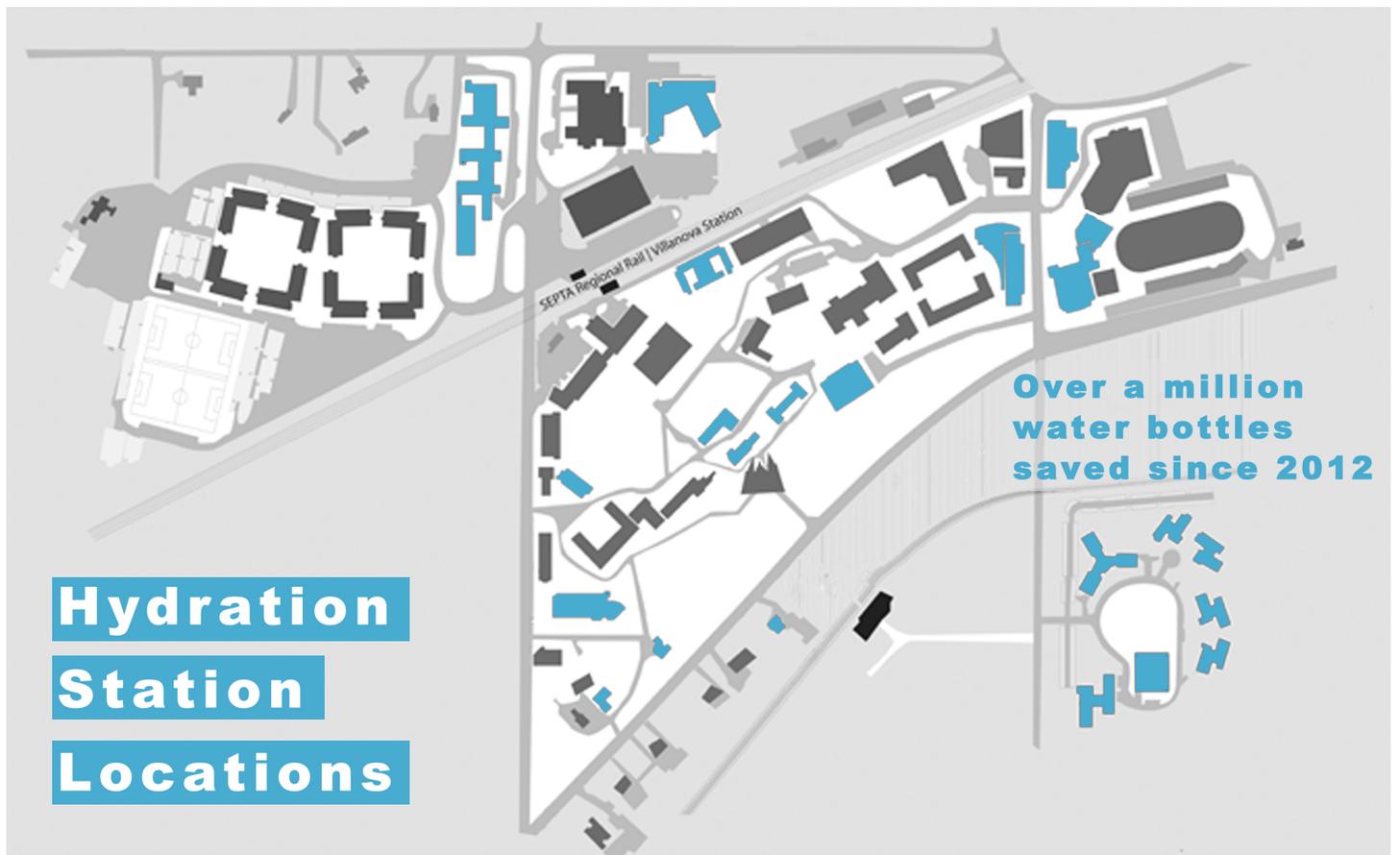
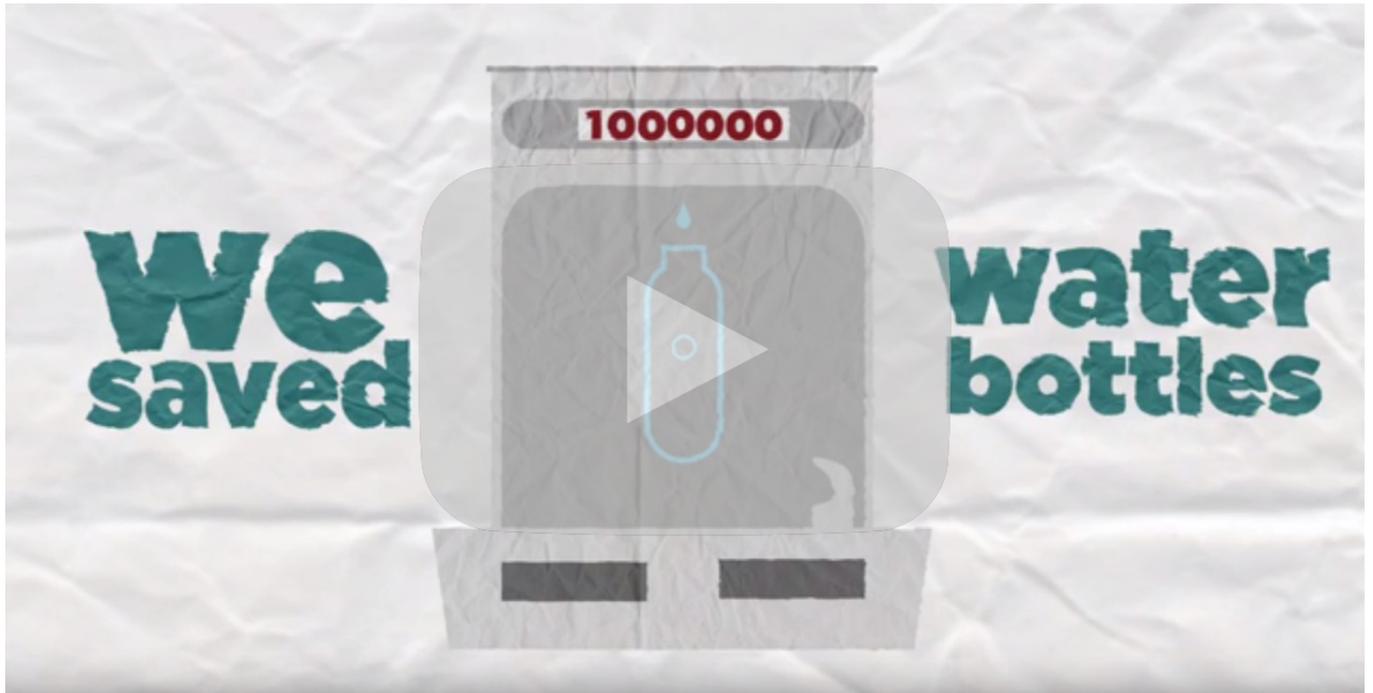


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## NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION

Break out your favorite water bottle and start the New Year off right by improving your health and the environment.



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## EVENTS

Saturday, January 21 & 28

### **PHS Tree Tenders Training**

PHS, 100N. 20th Street, Philadelphia, PA

*The PHS Tree Tenders program offers hands-on tree care training for residents of the five-county Philadelphia region. The training covers tree biology, identification, planting, proper care, and working within your community. Available for ISA credit.*

Register Online

Thursday, January 26

### **The Future of Climate Action in 2017:**

#### **A Discussion with Senator Casey**

Academy of Natural Sciences, 6:45PM

Register Online

Thursday, February 2

### **“Before the Flood” Viewing**

Connelly Center, Cinema, 6:00PM

*Go on an expedition with scientists to uncover the realities of climate change and meet with the political leaders fighting against inaction.*

This event is ACS approved

Tuesday, February 7

### **Climate Change and Public Health**

*Part of the Climate Change Adaptation Community of Practice Workshop series*

DVRPC: 190 N Independence Mall, Philadelphia 9:00AM-1:00PM

Register Online

Saturday, February 11

### **GreenAllies Conference**

*A great networking and educational opportunity for the environmentalist among us.*

Messiah College, Mechanicsburg, PA, 10:00AM-3:00PM

Register Online

# SAVE THE DATE

## Villanova Earth Day 2017

There are a number of activities planned in observance of Earth Day during this spring semester. Several of these events, especially the keynote address, are appropriate for inclusion in course syllabi. If you are interested in having the keynote speaker, Dominic Frongillo, speak in your course or meet with a student group, please let me know ([nathaniel.weston@villanova.edu](mailto:nathaniel.weston@villanova.edu)).

### **Sustainability Fair & Farmers' Market**

Thursday April 20, 11:00 – 2:00 in the Connelly Plaza / Oreo

Farmers' Market: Food for purchase and lots of free samples!

Sustainability Fair: Information and handouts from sustainable vendors and non-profit groups | student posters presenting semester projects from several courses | get your passport stamped for free swag!

### **Earth Day Keynote**

Thursday April 20, 6:00 pm in the Driscoll Auditorium

Outspoken advocate and internationally-recognized former elected official, Dominic Frongillo, will share his perspective as the youngest-ever council member in Caroline, NY, and delegate to UN climate talks on how young people around the world are leading social change through public service, social-responsible enterprises, and community action.

### **Earth Day of Advocacy**

Friday April 21, 11:00 am (location TBA)

Join students, faculty, staff, and facilitators including Dominic Frongillo in taking action to address environmental issues. Learn how to effectively advocate for causes important to you and to society, and get some hands-on experience advocating!

### **Earth Day of Service**

Saturday April 22, 9:00 am

Spend the morning serving on campus or in the community in environmentally relevant service.

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## OPPORTUNITIES

### Green Corps

#### Field School for Environmental Organizing

Are you passionate about the environment? Are you ready to learn how to run campaigns to help solve the climate crisis or save our last wild places? We offer a year-



long, paid training program that will prepare you for a career in environmental organizing.

### SustainUS UN Delegation

#### Participate as a 2017 delegate for the United Nations

The Delegate program is designed to facilitate youth involvement in justice and sustainability issues. Applications are open for the Commission on Social Development, World Summit of Nobel Peace Laureates, and Commission on the Status of Women.



### Design Competition

#### Community Compost System

Calling all engineers and environmentalists, designers and dirt nerds: we want YOUR ideas for how to make a compost system to serve Philadelphia neighborhoods. The winner will receive a \$500 prize and recognition for their design by the City of Philadelphia's Office of Sustainability and Philadelphia Food Policy Advisory Council.



# GreenAllies Conference 2017

Presented in partnership with Messiah College

Join us for our third annual student networking conference! Hear from amazing student environmentalists and sustainability professionals, share ideas, and meet environmental clubs from around the region.



**Location:** Messiah College  
Mechanicsburg, PA

**Date:** February 11th, 2017  
10am-3pm (Doors open 9am)

**Cost:** Free to all college students!

Questions? Email [tori@green-allies.org](mailto:tori@green-allies.org)

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[Apply today at GreenCorps.org!](https://www.GreenCorps.org)

### **We're the Field School for Environmental Organizing**

Are you passionate about the environment? Are you ready to learn how to run campaigns to help solve the climate crisis or save our last wild places? We offer a year-long, paid training program that will prepare you for a career in environmental organizing. Here's how it works:

#### **Part One: Classroom Training**

You'll participate in eight weeks of intensive classroom training conducted by representatives from a wide range of organizations and campaigns.

Our staff and trainers present overviews on the biggest issues facing our environment as well as teaching our organizers a variety of valuable skills such as volunteer recruitment, campaign planning, public speaking and much more.

#### **Part Two: Field Training on Real Campaigns**

As a Green Corps organizer, you'll receive the bulk of your training through hands-on experience working on behalf of organizations such as the Sierra Club, the Wilderness Society and Food & Water Watch. Job responsibilities include recruiting, training and supervising volunteers; organizing visibility events; securing media coverage; and building strong coalitions.

You'll lead three to five different campaigns in communities across the country. By working with several different campaign partners, you'll gain experience tackling a diversity of issues and working with a variety of individuals.

For example, a team of organizers recently helped run a campaign that persuaded Kellogg's, the cereal company, to pressure its supplier of palm oil to stop destroying tropical forests. Other Green Corps organizers have played critical roles in the retirement of over a dozen coal-fired power plants on the Sierra Club's Beyond Coal campaign.

#### **Part Three: Launch Your Career**

After completing the training program, Green Corps connects graduates to groups looking to hire full-time staff. Our alumni now work with organizations such as Environment America, Greenpeace, Corporate Accountability International, Rainforest Action Network, National Wildlife Federation, 350.org and NRDC, among others.

#### **Location And Compensation**

The target annual compensation for this position is \$26,000. Green Corps offers a competitive bene ts



package. We also offer an excellent training program and opportunities for advancement.

Green Corps organizers go where the fight is and wherever they can make the biggest impact. They could work on campaigns almost anywhere in the country and while location preferences are considered for placements, we require all organizers to be geographically flexible.

*Green Corps is an equal opportunity employer and will not discriminate against any employee or applicant on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin, religion, age, sex, disability, pregnancy, sexual orientation, gender identity or veteran status.*



There has never been a more important time to take a stand and raise our voices on the world stage. Today, as we look to the future, we find hope in our ability to inspire, equip, and empower young leaders at the forefront of our global fights for justice.

**SustainUS is pleased to launch the application for its 2017 delegation program**, designed to facilitate youth involvement in justice and sustainability issues. US citizens or people currently working in the US who are 30 and under are invited to apply for the opportunity to further develop advocacy and communication skills through active participation in UN conferences and events.



Selected delegates will be required to attend virtual training sessions in advance of their attendance and are expected to engage in fundraising, event planning, social media content production, and advocacy for a world free from systemic injustice.

For more than 10 years, the Agents of Change program has sent over 600 young people to conferences on climate change, sustainable development, women, and biological diversity. These programs empower delegates to work together with entities from around the world to advocate for and promote robust environmental and social policies to advance justice and sustainability.

**Applications are now being accepted for the following programs:**

[The 55th Commission on Social Development](#) (New York)

[The 16th World Summit of Nobel Peace Laureates](#) (Colombia)

[The 61st Commission on the Status of Women](#) (New York)

Please visit: [www.sustainus.org/aoc](http://www.sustainus.org/aoc) to learn more about the upcoming opportunities to participate in one of the 2017 delegations.

**Apply this week for priority consideration.**

[Application Form](#) - Apply now!

[Nomination Form](#) - Nominate someone who is deserving!

[FAQs](#) - Learn more!

[Outreach Toolkit with graphic to post/share and sample tweets](#) - Help get the word out!

Onward,

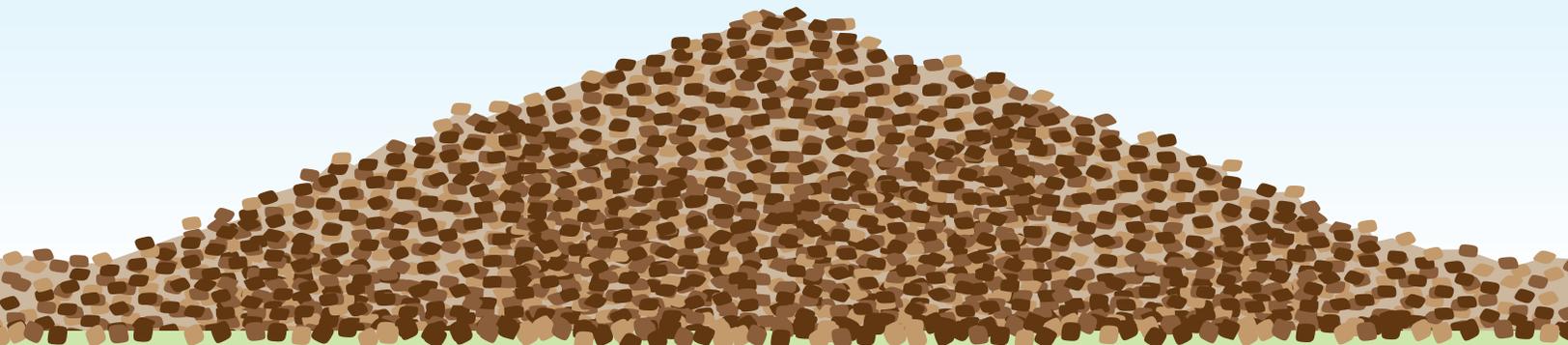
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Agents of Change Program Coordinator, SustainUS



# Community Compost System Design Competition

Hosted by the Philadelphia Food Policy Advisory Council, The Dirt Factory, and Institute for Local Self-Reliance, in partnership with Bennett Compost, Crazy About Compost, the EPA Food Recovery Challenge, Philly Compost, The Managing Director's Office, Summer-Winter Garden, and BioCycle Magazine



Calling all engineers and environmentalists, designers and dirt nerds: we want **YOUR** ideas for how to make a compost system to serve Philadelphia neighborhoods.

The Philadelphia Food Policy Advisory Council seeks designs for neighborhood-scale, in-vessel composting systems that can be used by schools and community organizations. Successful designs will be:

- Fully-enclosed and rodent-proof
- Able to function year-round outdoors in Philadelphia's climate
- One to three cubic yards in capacity
- Easily constructed and maintained

Winner receives a \$500 prize and recognition for their design by the City of Philadelphia's Office of Sustainability and the Philadelphia Food Policy Advisory Council!

Compost is the nutrient-rich, earthy-smelling material created by the managed decomposition of organic matter. Community composting transforms organic matter into valuable soil amendments, keeps organic waste in a local closed-loop system, and engages communities through participation and education.

Submit designs by March 15, 2017. Finalists' designs will be selected by March 29. If you are a finalist, we will provide funding for you to build your design. Finished compost systems will need to be transported to a testing site in Philadelphia by April 26. Finalist compost systems will then be tested over the summer and a winner announced in Fall 2017.

Visit [www.phillyfpac.org/compost](http://www.phillyfpac.org/compost) for more information, including a full list of specs and requirements.