



# November

SUSTAINABILITY  
NEWSLETTER



**Get Involved**

# Sustainable Fashion Expo & Clothing Swap

**Saturday, December 2**  
**Frist MPR 12 - 4 pm**  
**Sustainable Fashion Show**  
**Upcycling, alterations, and**  
**repairs by MEND**  
**Plant based hors d'oeuvres**  
**from Campus Dining**  
**Photo Booth**

**Drop off gently**  
**used or new**  
**clothing &**  
**accessories!**

**Pick up free**  
**secondhand**  
**clothing!**



**Donations accepted in**  
**residential college laundry**  
**bins until December 1st. See**  
**QR code for details.**

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APPLICATIONS DUE DECEMBER 22ND





Office of  
**Sustainability**  
Princeton University

# WANT TO GET INVOLVED WITH SUSTAINABILITY AT PRINCETON?

Join the ***Sustainability Staff  
Ambassador*** Program!





## TAKE A CLIMATEBASE COMMUNITY GARDENING SURVEY

“Community agriculture is when people in a neighborhood come together to grow and share fruits, vegetables, and other crops. It’s a group effort to produce fresh food for themselves and their neighbors.”

*Emily Reinhold ‘21*

## Autumn Recap

### What we presented (and learned) at the 2023 AASHE Sustainability Conference

Last month, Princeton University sent four Office of Sustainability staff and a number of graduate students to Boston to attend the [Association for Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education \(AASHE\) annual conference](#).

Dr. Ijeoma Nwagwu, Interim Director of the Office of Sustainability at Princeton University, Melissa Tier, PhD Candidate in the School of Public & International Affairs at Princeton, and Travis Milnes, Campus as a Learning Lab Specialist at the University of Calgary, teamed up to lead a workshop on how to navigate successful Campus as Lab initiatives. The workshop included case studies on how to co-produce sustainability research conducted on college campuses with community partners, ensuring that important discoveries in the sustainability field are shared broadly with all stakeholders.



Additionally, Office of Sustainability staff attended workshops and keynote events that focused on the intersection of sustainability and diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) initiatives, as well as environmental justice and climate change communications strategies. Taken together, the Office of Sustainability plans to bring these learning experiences back to the Princeton University campus, implementing fresh ideas that will drive engagement and help achieve the goals set out in our Sustainability Action Plan.



## Office of Sustainability hosts Founder of Tokyo Toilets for a sustainability tour of Princeton's campus

The Office of Sustainability, in partnership with [Professor Chukwuemeka V. Chukwuemeka](#) of the [Princeton Mellon Initiative in Architecture, Urbanism & the Humanities](#), hosted Koji Yanai, Group Executive Vice President of UNIQLO and Founder of [Tokyo Toilets](#), and Muto Megumi Ph.D., Vice President and Chief Sustainability Officer of [Japan International](#)

[Cooperation Agency](#), for a tour and overview of sustainability technologies and engagement strategies being implemented across Princeton's campus.

The group went on to deliver a [guest lecture](#) on the intersection between public health and sustainability initiatives with a focus on how the Tokyo Toilets project address global health and sustainability through public-private partnerships.

## News



## The University's electric bus fleet is now rolling

By Liz Fuller-Wright, Office of Communications  
*Princeton University*

Princeton University's ambitious and influential campus plan for sustainable energy use reached another milestone this fall when the University celebrated its new fleet of electric buses and charging facilities at a grand opening ceremony Oct. 26.

"TigerTransit's 17 new electric buses advance our campus sustainability goals [and] exemplify the changes we are pursuing as an institution and as a society," Princeton University President Christopher L. Eisgruber said at the event, held at the University's new bus-charging station at 755 Alexander St. in West Windsor. "They eliminate 500 metric tons of tailpipe emissions from the campus and local communities, annually. Our air is cleaner because of this project."

The buses are part of a campus-wide plan to achieve net-zero carbon emissions that is serving as a template for other universities and municipalities across the country, including a massive geo-exchange system for campus heating and cooling.

All of Princeton's full-size buses are now fully electric. When the last diesel mini-buses are retired later this academic year, Princeton will be the first Ivy League university and one of very few transit or shuttle operations in the country that operates only emissions-free vehicles...[Read More.](#)

## New study shows in real-time what helps mammals survive a natural disaster

By Liz Fuller-Wright, Office of Communications  
Princeton University


When Cyclone Idai swept through Mozambique's Gorongosa National Park in May 2019, one of nature's deadliest forces encountered one of the most technologically sophisticated wildlife parks on the planet. Princeton researchers and colleagues from around the world documented the effects using trail cameras and animal-tracking devices that had been in use before the storm.



Thanks to the extensive network of cameras, GPS collars and other instruments, park staff and wildlife ecologists had an "unprecedented opportunity" to assemble a minute-by-minute view of how the storm affected the park and how the animals responded, said Hallie Brown, a postdoctoral research associate in Princeton's Department of Ecology and Environmental Biology and the first author of a new paper in *Nature* about the hurricane's impact.

"This is the first study that has ever been able to track the real-time responses of a large-mammal community to a natural disaster," said Robert Pringle, an EEB professor who has worked with Gorongosa National Park since its inception...[Read More.](#)

## Our Community





**Meet Pedro**

I play **basketball**  
I love to go to the **beach**  
I love to cookout and spend time  
with my **family**

I feel **respected** when...  
folks say good morning and  
thank you

Custodian  
with Facilities since 2009  
starts his day here at 4 a.m.



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