



## **Spring 2023 February Newsletter**

Subject: Board Member Applications and Exciting SSC Events!

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Hello from the Student Sustainability Committee!

GOOD NEWS! Thanks to the support of students and the Board of Trustees, SSC has hundreds of thousands more dollars to contribute to making our campus a more sustainable place! Every fee-paying student will be contributing \$4 extra to the fund, increasing our resources by nearly 30%. This increase will allow us to fund more sustainable projects and make more progress towards iCAP objectives. We thank the students for their support! Without them, everything we do would not be possible!

### **APPLY TO BE A BOARD MEMBER!**

MORE GOOD NEWS! Board member applications for 2023-2024 are open now!

As a board member, you will play a key role in the organization through Working Groups, the Communications team, or the Social Initiatives team. You will drive positive change on campus by voting on project applications each semester and spearheading SSC initiatives around campus.

The time commitment to be a board member is 3-4 hours per week. Board members find the work they do with SSC is very rewarding. Participation has opened many fulfilling academic and professional opportunities for our past members!

If you are interested in becoming a board member, **fill out the application [HERE](#) by **MONDAY MARCH 6, 2023****. We encourage every student with a passion for making our campus a greener place to apply, graduate or undergraduate!



## SUSTAINABILITY CAREER PANEL

Join us for a sustainability career panel featuring leaders from the Illinois EPA, Urbana Park District, Illinois Environmental Council, Prairie Rivers Network, Sola Gratia Farm, and more! This event will be broken into two 50-minute sections separated by a break, and there will be plenty of time for Q&A. Food will be provided, with vegetarian-friendly options included. Please feel free to arrive late or leave early as your schedule allows!

- Wednesday, February 15 from 5:30-7:30 pm **TOMORROW!!**
- Campus Instructional Facility, Room 2035

This event is co-hosted by the [Student Sustainability Committee](#), the [Student Sustainability Leadership Council](#), and [Students for Environmental Concerns](#).



## WASTE TRANSFER STATION TOUR

RSVP and come to our Waste Transfer Station Tour! The Waste Transfer Station is where our waste goes to be sorted before heading to another facility. It is a perfect example of what a community can do to reduce and recycle waste and promote environmental sustainability!

- Tuesday, February 28 from 1:00-2:00pm.
- 10 St. Mary's Road Champaign, IL



How to get there: Take the MTD Yellow/Yellow Hopper to Lot E14 west of State Farm Center. From the bus stop, walk west to Oak St., then one block south to St. Mary's. Turn right/west. The facility entrance is the first driveway one block west on your right. Bicycle: Bike parking is available on the east side of the site.

You must RSVP in order to attend this event! [RSVP here](#).

### **GET INVOLVED! Working Group Meetings**

Interested in getting involved as a general member? Come to our Working Group meetings! These biweekly meetings are an opportunity for our Working Group Chairs to meet with project applicants and general members to discuss sustainable initiatives on and off campus!

The schedule for Working Group meetings is as follows:

- Energy and Transportation & Infrastructure
  - Every other Monday from 5:00-6:00 pm
  - 2/13, 2/27, etc.
  - CIF Room 0018
- Food & Waste and Land, Water, & Air
  - Every other Tuesday from 5:00-6:00 pm
  - 2/14, 2/28, etc.
  - CIF Room 2025
- Education & Justice
  - Every other Thursday from 5:00-6:00 pm
  - 2/16, 3/2, etc.
  - CIF Room 2025

For updated information on Working Group meetings, check out our [calendar](#) and our [Instagram](#)!

### **APPLY FOR FUNDING!**

Do you have an idea for a project that promotes campus sustainability? We would love to fund you! Student-led project proposals under \$10K are accepted and evaluated on a rolling basis. For staff- and faculty-led projects, or student-led projects over \$10K, the deadline to apply is March 24. To learn more about the application process, click [here](#).



## BOARD MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

This month's board member spotlight is our Vice Chair Internal, Lucy Nifong!

Lucy is a senior studying Agricultural and Consumer Economics. She represents the SSC on the iCAP Working Group, and is an intern for the Institute for Sustainability, Energy, and Environment.



Thank you Lucy for all the hard work you do for SSC!

### RECAP! Here's what's going on with SSC:

- **Apply to be a Board Member!**
  - As a board member, you'll have the opportunity to take on a leadership role and make real change by casting votes on funding decisions.
  - Board member applications are DUE MONDAY MARCH 6.
  - [CLICK TO APPLY HERE](#)
- **Become a general member** and attend biweekly working group meetings for Energy, Transportation & Infrastructure, Education & Justice, Food & Waste, Energy, and/or Land, Water, & Air. Click [here](#) to find the Working Group meeting schedule!



**Student Sustainability Committee of  
The University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign**

- **Come to the Sustainability Career Panel!** This event will be February 15 from 5:30-7:30 pm at the Campus Instrastrutional Facility Room 2035. For more information on this event and other upcoming events, click [here!](#)
- [RVSP for the Waste Transfer Station Tour!](#)
- **Submit a project application** to turn your sustainable vision into a reality. The deadline to submit a Step 1 Project Proposal is March 24th. Student-led applications are accepted on a rolling basis. To find out more about applying for funding, click [here.](#)
- **Follow us** on [instagram](#) and join our [Discord server!](#)

That's all from us!

SSC Communications Team