

PCC Climate Action Plan Update – December 2015



GHG Savings

Since 2006, Portland Community College has reduced total greenhouse gas emissions by 7%.



Energy Consumption

Efficiency and conservation efforts for the college have resulted in a 65% reduction in energy use per square foot since 2006.



Solar

Three solar systems have produced over 3 million kwh of electricity, diverting over 1,200 tons of CO₂ from entering the atmosphere.



Green Building

PCC hosts green building efforts including: 10 LEED projects, a net zero building, advanced storm water systems, and a green roof.



Compost & Recycling

With over 150,000 lbs composted and 1.5 million lbs recycled since 2012, solid waste now contributes to less than 1% of PCC's greenhouse gas footprint.



Water

Water-fill stations throughout the district have diverted over 2 million water bottles from the landfill.



Learning Gardens

The college has two active learning gardens and two in development, which harvested over 10,000 lbs of produce and clocked 2,300 volunteer hours during the 2014-15 academic year alone.

Transportation

With alternative transportation options including inter-campus shuttles and bike rental programs, half of our students, faculty, and staff use more sustainable modes to get to PCC.



Operations

Green cleaning and integrated pest management efforts have resulted in over 70% reduction in chemical purchases within FMS.



Dining Services

Over 32% of Food Services' food purchases have sustainable attributes, including: local, organic, fair trade, and vegan/vegetarian-friendly.



TGIF Projects

Over \$700,000 spent on student-funded sustainability projects through The Green Initiative Fund.



Sustainability Courses

The college now has over 100 courses with a focus on sustainability or environmental topics.



STARS Ranking

PCC reports to the Sustainability Tracking, Assessment & Rating System and currently has a STARS Silver rating.



We're all in this together.



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