

SUSTAINABILITY

ENGAGING OUR COMMUNITIES, STEWARDING RESOURCES, AND DISCOVERING SOLUTIONS FOR A BETTER TOMORROW

UPDATE

Progress on the UVA Sustainability Plan:

ENGAGE

Governor Terry McAuliffe

celebrated UVA's leadership in solar energy with over 200 people at the Earth Week Expo & Clemmons Solar Ribbon Cutting.

The 9th annual Earth Week

consisted of 20 events with an estimated 3,000 participants, including UVA Dining's first-ever farmers market.

UVA achieved the first-ever zero waste

men's basketball game in the ACC, diverting 93.4% of waste from landfills at the sold-out UNC game.

\$27,000 of Equity and Environment Funds

provided to eight student projects. Projects include Black President's Council Food Justice Month, Greens to Grounds CIO's produce boxes for Access UVA students, and City Schoolyard Garden student projects.

DISCOVER

\$24,000 in course development grants

were awarded: The Ethics of Food, Water Sustainability, Sustainability Science, and Population, Resources, and Environmental Sustainability.

\$16,000 in research and Grounds as a Learning Tool grants were awarded: Evaluating Bee Hotels as Conservation Tools and Fostering University Collaboration for Sustainable Food Procurement.

The SEAS student Solar Car Team

was awarded \$20,771 from the Jefferson Trust.

For more info: sustainability.virginia.edu

The McIntire Certificate

in Sustainable Business, a 13 week, online program has been developed.

UVA Environmental Sciences'

research and leadership in the Nitrogen Footprint Tool (NFT) Network was featured in an April special issue on institution nitrogen footprints in the academic journal Sustainability: The Journal of Record.

STEWARD

UVA's Greenhouse Gas Action Plan

published in April. UVA has reduced GHG emissions 11% below 2009 levels. Previous calculations have been updated based on revised EPA eGRID emissions factors

UVA has reduced building energy

use intensity by 10% below 2010 levels.

UVA Dining

was accepted to the VA Department of Environmental Quality Environmental Excellence Program at the Exemplary Environmental Enterprise Level and became the first university in Virginia to achieve Green Restaurant certification.

The UVA Dell, UVA Hospital

Green Roof awarded first place *Best Maintained Best Management Practice* and third place *Best Ultra-Urban Best Management Practice* respectively, by The Chesapeake Stormwater Network.