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# NC State Stewards

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# Program Overview

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- 24 NC State Stewards
  - 12 first year student applications received
    - Interviews taking place this week
    - Accept up to 8 new Stewards
  - 4 project groups
    - Each group has a project manager & team
  - Ongoing outreach & peer to peer education
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# Projects

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- Plastics
- Campus Connections
- Energy
- Garden



# Plastic Group

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**Mission:** Reduce the impact of single use plastic on campus

- **Goals:**
  - Create incentive program in C-Stores
  - Get reusable bags on campus
  - Expand incentive program across campus
- **Progress:**
  - Plastic bag recycling bins in 5 C-Stores (expanded to Wolf Village)
  - Over 2,400 plastic bags collected since Jan. 2014
  - Reduce the Use Pledge Campaign
  - Observations at C-Stores
  - Signage on counters in C-Stores
  - Marketing/promotion of program
  - Planning “no bag week” in C-Stores
  - Creating proposal for incentives



# Garden Group

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Mission: To increase awareness to students on how gardens can be beneficial to everyone and that even a small space can be useful

- Goals:
    - Increase student awareness about benefits of gardens
    - Get one small garden on main campus
    - Host DIY seminars for students
  - Progress:
    - Working on proposal
    - Identified garden themes
    - Contacting organizations to sponsor project/collaborate
    - Hosting DIY workshop at SOUL Garden
  - Peer to peer education:
    - Each garden will have an educational theme (native, aromatherapy, medicinal, edible, pollinator)
    - Teach students to identify the plant
    - Teach students the importance of the plant
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# Energy Group

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**Mission:** To educate and inspire students to reduce energy on campus

- **Goals:**

- Educate students on how small behavior changes can have significant impact
- Facilitate 2 energy competitions in residence halls
- Provide educational information to students

- **Progress:**

- Energy competitions in Tri Towers and Wolf Ridge
  - Kick off meeting, websites, weekly emails with tips & progress
- “Bulletin Board in Bag” for RA’s distributed



# Campus Connections

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**Mission:** Unite sustainability-related clubs and students so that we can help each other, network, and connect people with projects and events more effectively.

- **Goals:**

- Host two meetings per semester with representatives from environmental clubs across campus. These meetings should facilitate peer-to-peer networking, display current projects and meetings for participating groups, and build a cohesive 'team' that can work together to achieve goals of each group.
- Work with PackLink and other groups to improve on system for environmental activities and opportunities.
- Host a campus event where sustainability-minded organizations can represent themselves to students, in order to show off our progress as a whole, as well as draw in interest from the general student population.

- **Progress:**

- Partnering with WESA. Meeting #1 has been scheduled and planning is nearly complete. Initial organizations have been selected by the Campus Connections Stewards to be involved (based on their level and type of activity) and first contact has just been made. These organizations have been assigned to each Steward who will serve as a liaison for their groups.
  - Initial meeting with the PackLink lead, Lindsay, is complete. We are currently brainstorming for improvements on how to get information to the students and community, and will be scheduling follow-up meeting.
  - Campus event planning has not yet started. This will become more solidified after goal #1 and #2 are well established.
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# Ongoing

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- Outreach/presentations in residence halls, student groups
  - Peer to peer education at tabling events
  - Collaboration with others (Shak A Thon, RA's in University Housing, SOUL Garden)
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