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2022 Sustainability Attitudes & Transportation Habits at Northern Michigan University
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Q1 - Do you primarily identify yourself as:

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Administration	1.64%	25
2	Faculty	7.21%	110
3	Staff	10.56%	161
4	Student	80.59%	1229
	Total	100%	1525

ADMINISTRATION RESPONSES

A1 - On the following scale, how much do you agree with the statement:

#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	Sustainability is part of the culture at Northern Michigan University.	1.00	5.00	3.83	1.07	1.14	24

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Strongly disagree	8.33%	2
2	Somewhat disagree	4.17%	1
3	Neither agree nor disagree	4.17%	1
4	Somewhat agree	62.50%	15
5	Strongly agree	20.83%	5
	Total	100%	24

A2 - Are you aware of any sustainability efforts on campus?

#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	Are you aware of any sustainability efforts on campus?	1.00	2.00	1.13	0.33	0.11	24

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Yes	87.50%	21
2	No	12.50%	3
	Total	100%	24

A EX2 - If yes, please provide an example.

If yes, please provide an example.

Recycle trash bins

composting of all preconsumer food waste

Recycling

Green fees, established SHINE, support for social issues

EcoReps

Native American planting in Whitman and the SEEC to grow plants for ceremony; Indoor Ag program

Recycling bins, water fountains for bottle refilling

clothing swaps

recycling program

Recycling efforts

recycling bins

Operations and NMU has earned a Star

Zero waste events, Eco reps

SHINE and EcoReps

eco corps

A5 - Have you used sustainability, as defined above, in your day-to-day tasks in your department?

#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	Have you used sustainability, as defined above, in your day-to-day tasks in your department ?	1.00	2.00	1.29	0.45	0.20	21

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Yes	71.43%	15
2	No	28.57%	6
	Total	100%	21

A EX5 - If yes, please provide an example.

If yes, please provide an example.

Separate trash

composting tea bags and coffee grounds

Everyone in our suite recycles as much as possible.

Community discussion and collaborations, discussions with legislators

Development of grants and K12 curriculum that meet all or part of the definition.

Planning energy efficiency in Harden Hall renovation

turning off lights when not needed

Promotes prosperity and secures our future

recycling, decrease energy usage

ALL MY CLASSES!!!

A3 - The University's Interim Strategic Plan includes many ways to improve NMU's sustainability. Select all of the initiatives that you believe are most important (select as many as you like):

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#	Answer	%	Count
3	Emphasize sustainability in operations and in campus-wide policies	14.41%	17
5	Implement first steps toward achieving carbon neutrality by 2050	9.32%	11
6	Improve waste and recycling efforts	14.41%	17
7	Provide a sustainable dining experience	11.86%	14
9	Create new, interdisciplinary, sustainability-related courses	11.86%	14
10	Educate students and community about different sustainability principles and practices	14.41%	17
12	Build local and regional partnerships to expand educational opportunities	11.02%	13
13	Support applied sustainability-related research	12.71%	15
	Total	100%	118

A6 - On the following scale, how much do you agree with the following statements?

#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	NMU should invest in sustainability initiatives.	3.00	5.00	4.45	0.59	0.35	20
2	A Sustainability Hub (e.g., office) would be beneficial to NMU.	2.00	5.00	3.70	1.05	1.11	20

A8 - If a Sustainability Hub were created, what resources and services would be beneficial to you or your department?

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internship opportunities

NA

First stop space for ideas or review of ideas and proposals so we can be efficient and supportive of ideas. So much of what we do is duplicated making our systems run less than efficient. Model sustainability in the process itself.

With departments given the direction for sustainability, I don't think a Hub would be needed.

I don't know

Knowing and understanding what projects and ideas are underway as they relate to different functions of the university. This might allow us to gauge how specific departments could get involved based on the current/future projects.

Provide training, workshops, events, and mentorship towards actions to help be sustainable. Simple steps that we could use in day-to-day activities.

It would help with food waste in our department

Resources regarding sustainability efforts and goals

I am not sure what the Office would do for specific academic units so I cannot answer.

Education events, assisting in creating new innovative academic programs

eco store

Please share any additional thoughts you have about sustainability at NMU:

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Let's increase it! Support it! Invest in it! BeSustainable!

NA

I would bike and run more to work if there were showers in the academic departments. Having access to spaces to shower, change, and store equipment would encourage transportation other than gas vehicle.

Love that each department has a recycling bin and there is one in each vending area. More could be done about the toner cartridges on campus. There are bins, but the Mail Room will only take if they are boxed with a mailing label. Those without a mailing label get thrown away.

Looking foward to collaborating with your sustainability efforts in any way we can.

For the protection of our planet, this is a very important matter that needs to be given a LOT of attention.

needs to be a common effort and more focused

FACULTY RESPONSES

F1 - On the following scale, how much do you agree with the statement:

#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	Sustainability is part of the culture at Northern Michigan University.	1.00	5.00	3.51	0.91	0.83	104

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Strongly disagree	4.81%	5
2	Disagree	8.65%	9
3	Neither agree nor disagree	23.08%	24
4	Agree	57.69%	60
5	Strongly agree	5.77%	6
	Total	100%	104

F2 - Are you aware of any sustainability efforts on campus?

#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	Are you aware of any sustainability efforts on campus?	1.00	2.00	1.20	0.40	0.16	104

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Yes	79.81%	83
2	No	20.19%	21
	Total	100%	104

F EX2 - If yes, please provide an example.

If yes, please provide an example.

jghgk

LED lights

ecoreps

Campus recycling and work on campus composting.

Green Fund initiatives, carbon neutrality, sustainability goals, etc.

F6 - On the following scale, please rate how much you agree with the statements:

#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	NMU should invest in sustainability initiatives.	1.00	5.00	4.19	0.96	0.93	88
2	A Sustainability Hub (e.g., office) would be beneficial to NMU.	1.00	5.00	3.55	1.15	1.33	87

F8 - If a Sustainability Hub were created, what resources and services would be beneficial to you or your department?

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where to recycle printers, ink rolls, etc.

Educational resources; economic resources; mental health and wellbeing resources

Reading these definitions of sustainability, I believe that some of my work is in line with sustainability, but I haven't yet used that language to describe it that way. Educating faculty about the different facets of sustainability might lead to greater collaboration.

Internships; networking hub to connect sustainability efforts + research (on-campus and off-campus)

There are so many projects, however, it would be wonderful to have a university-wide conversation about stopping the use of pesticides on NMU grounds. The lawns are regularly sprayed with pesticides and herbicides, something which endangers the lives of everyone at NMU and which kills insects and animals. It seems that this would be a great way to engage faculty and students from a variety of departments (chemistry, English, design). I would also like to see more options for compostable single-use materials from the restaurants on campus.

Interdisciplinary events, funding, partnerships, etc.

Support in incorporating sustainability research into humanities courses.

Strong partnerships with tribes, tribal colleges/schools.

Validated measurement instruments to assess current sustainability utility or effectiveness in a department, research lab, classroom, etc. Sharing of what other groups are doing across campus.

A place for students to learn about this topic and how they can live their lives in a more sustainable way.

Focuses on sustainable outdoor recreation practices and sustainable nature-based tourism practices.

The Hub would facilitate students' (and others) awareness of my research and courses to people who are interested in sustainability. It would likely lead to an increase in university enrollment, which brings funds for research, professional development and hiring new faculty. The hub would find connections then initiate and facilitate interdepartmental collaborations between myself and other sustainability researchers.

I have a hard time fitting this into my department specifically other than general recycling programs

Growing plants in the green house for outside use instead of buying.

I do not know what a 'sustainability hub' would entail and therefore I cannot comment on how services or resources may or may not be beneficial to me or my department.

Coordination of resources, facilitating grants

I'm not sure what a Sustainability Hub would look like or what resources it might include.

waste disposal

My courses do not touch on sustainability or issues directly related to sustainability. I would like to see our Sustainability Hub provide services that are actually beneficial to all members of the University community; not just an education and outreach center.

assistance with how to integrate sustainability into arts curriculum

work/life balance... how sustainable is the corporatization of higher ed?

I'm not sure exactly what this would entail. I would like to see something that enables our students to get more deeply engaged with hands-on, practical community advocacy.

Negotiated purchasing agreements (at a good deal) for more sustainable alternatives for single use plastics in research and teaching labs. Facilitating planning for an easier and streamlined "just in time" approach to chemical waste disposal.

I am not sure.

Resources on linguistic diversity and representation within the arts

N/A

Social Justice unit that empowers local community and engages them in the decision making process for university policies

Chemical waste management

Communal workspaces

Connections with local farmers for disposing of our natural non compostable waste products as soil additives for improved aeration and water retention.

If we have a chance to host a sustainable research conference, it would be great.

Access to the space. Having a paid staff person at the space to coordinate sustainability efforts.

STAFF RESPONSES

S1 - On the following scale, how much do you agree with the statement:

#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	Sustainability is part of the culture at Northern Michigan University.	1.00	5.00	3.70	0.85	0.72	154

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Strongly disagree	2.60%	4
2	Disagree	5.84%	9
3	Neither agree nor disagree	22.08%	34
4	Agree	57.79%	89
5	Strongly agree	11.69%	18
	Total	100%	154

S2 - Are you aware of any sustainability efforts on campus?

#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	Are you aware of any sustainability efforts on campus?	1.00	2.00	1.18	0.38	0.14	154

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Yes	82.47%	127
2	No	17.53%	27
	Total	100%	154

S EX2 - If yes, please provide an example.

If yes, please provide an example.

Many EcoReps events, Recycling glass

Upcoming solar panel installation

SAC, preconsumer composting, LEEDS certified buildings, grounds composting, Green Fund, divestment strategies, etc.

S5 - Have you used sustainability, as defined above, in your day-to-day work in your department or office?

#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	Have you used sustainability, as defined above, in your day-to-day work in your department or office?	1.00	2.00	1.20	0.40	0.16	153

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Yes	80.39%	123
2	No	19.61%	30
	Total	100%	153

EX5 - If yes, please provide an example.

If yes, please provide an example.

Reusable utensils, recycling, refillable water bottles, reusable totes

LED lamp installation

Donating food, reducing waste production...

S6 - On the following scale, please rate how much you agree with the statements:

#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	NMU should invest in sustainability initiatives.	1.00	5.00	4.16	0.82	0.68	148
2	A Sustainability Hub (e.g., office) would be beneficial to NMU.	1.00	5.00	3.59	1.06	1.12	148

S8 - If a Sustainability Hub were created, what resources and services would be beneficial to you or your department?

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Cross-departmental resources so we can utilize existing resources.

Communication on sustainability efforts or new initiatives. Utilizing our platforms to help aid in student-centered sustainability efforts along with student suggestions for sustainability initiatives.

n/a

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Working with less paper

I don't really see a need for one, because I have no clue what it would even have in it.

It depends what the Hub would do. It would be good to consult with when we are looking for sustainable options. If they are hosting events and trainings, that would be nice. Also a place to initiate petitions for actual operational change that we could get behind would be wonderful.

I need time to consider.

I am not even sure what a Sustainability Hub is. So, more education on this, on campus may be needed.

Information

Reducing waste production beyond recycling; reducing use of more harmful materials (foam, plastic, etc.); reducing reliance on required student overconsumption of materials; more active and accessible composting; working with community to have and utilize more local resources

not sure

unsure

Not sure

Opportunities to collaborate with employers on faculty and student research, student experiential learning opportunities/internships, and the development of new programs and credentials that blend sustainable practices with in-demand skills.

Reducing paper waste, resource shares, power-saving tips

Training opportunities, talking points/information to share with outside constituents (alumni, community members)

energy sustainability, recycling

Outreach for water, energy, gas reduction. Initiatives or incentives related to those items.

Education, training, and resources on more sustainable practices in an office environment.

Recycling golf course materials. Such as paper, scorecards, wooden tees, pencils, trash on golf carts. Having water stations on the course to reduce plastic water bottles. Sending receipts via email to reduce paper. Having solar panels by maintenance to save energy. Having all lights on timers to reduce electricity. Having hand blowers in restrooms to use less paper towel. Offering better rates on walking while golfing so people don't use carts.

Eco friendly products, education for full time and students about waste and sustainability.

Transportation guidance, printing/paper usage, electricity, water/food waste reduction

Devices to save energy

I'm not sure

unsure

A better recycling area for paper, as we constantly have scraps of paper.

Better awareness when it comes to recycling / landfill.

integration into basic university functions

Real time/up to date recycling information and education in residence halls and apartments for residents and staff. Continue the move toward cleaning products, methods and education on importance that lessen the impact on the worker health and the environment.

It could help direct the flow of sustainable practices, making it easy for people on campus to create a new workflow including, but not limited to, finding more sustainable office supply solutions and practices; helping to direct the flow of reusables; locating sources of sustainably sourced foods... Basically helping to determine a path forward for departments after campus has determined its sustainability initiatives instead of dumping the problem on overworked supervisors and managers who may not care, offering solutions instead of problems.

Recycled printing paper, receptacles for bottle/can recycling, motion-activated lights in lesser-used areas.

Less food.waste

recycling and purchasing

Flier that spells out ways office employees can help with Sustainability as it relates to the University's mission.

recycling, consultation, education.

A greater focus on recycling.

Free/affordable eco-friendly items and supplies for department and events, education around sustainability practices and more opportunities to practice

Coordinate compost bins in each building on campus, ensure recycling is actually being recycled.

n/a

education

Easier e-recycling of electronic waste

What happened to the waste receptacle that used to be just for used paper towels? I would support even more stringent recycling efforts, etc.

How we can do more in our departments to eliminate waste/save energy, etc.

I am not sure

I'm not sure at this point - perhaps tips for reducing our carbon footprint in the office.

Someone who had the technical skills and time to research more efficient power/heat dissipation methods for our server rooms.

No idea

New ideas on how to me sustainable.

Not sure

The dedicated personnel to create practical ways departments and offices at NMU can use less energy, create less waste, and overall have a more sustainable campus and community. A video series with sustainability tips for the NMU and Marquette community. This could also include which companies to support based on their sustainability efforts. Overall, more research must be done that can be converted into public policy at a local, state, and national level.

I'm not sure we need to spend money on a hub.

An audit of my department to identify ways we could be more sustainable and eco-aware.

Power conservation, recycling, utilizing more green products/future tech.

Being that I work in dining there are several factors that having one spot and a contact would be beneficial.

General assistance with implementation of sustainability initiatives and how to be sustainable. Review departmental practices and policies to find places where sustainability can be implemented

We do a lot of recycling with batteries and HAZMAT materials. It would be nice to have that stream lined. Also, I think all departments could benefit from "recycling" office supplies that are no longer needed like Ink cartridges and un-used ink catridges.

Opportunities for sustainability audits and education. Development and ongoing refinement of a sustainability plan that connects various programs and initiatives with sustainability focus.

Education & Outreach

One of the best resources for our department is to have "sustainability" efforts be supported by other departments. We have tried several times to implement paper-free processes with other departments - only to be told that they still require paper copies or original documents and will not consider digital documents as acceptable. This is a small issue, but frustrating. Especially when we hear news like the possibility of more investment in sustainability initiatives. I feel like there is small things that we could do that would not cost more - but the refusal to embrace technology in other departments causes us to be unable to make even small initiatives work.

Local resources and education to practice sustainability on and off campus

I think it would be helpful to have someone to call if there is a noticed need for sustainability process improvement.

Building awareness, providing sustainable solutions to problems of waste for other departments and parts of campus

It would be useful to have a center on campus to provide guidance on sustainable office function practice. It would also be helpful for students looking for ways to assist in sustainability efforts. Finally, staff/faculty involved in the hub could help identify synergies within campus for interdisciplinary efforts and programs.

Having more energy efficient heating and cooling system. Making sure of clean water.

I'm not even sure of what resources and services to ask for, which is why I think we need something like the Sustainability Hub on campus - part providing these resources/part providing education

Technology to better do letter merging, with the ability to easily adjust single letters and send them electronically; thereby saving paper and time printing several copies of the same letter. I now send correspondence letters to the student and keep a copy for the file; but with the new EADV program, I am also send copies to 1-3 advisors, plus Honors advisors and student support services advisors.

I would love to see lighting addressed. So many lights are left on (e.g., hallways in Cohodas) that could be set on timers and/or motion sensors. Sometimes they're on all weekend.

Help different offices on campus learn about sustainability and implement them on campus.

Bonk to

I'm not really sure, to be honest.

Simple day to day things we could do to help improve sustainability efforts - in an office space especially

N/A

Not sure.

Improved recycling programs and materials, food insecurity assistance (especially for student employees)

Educate, educate, and educate through the HUB. And consolidating all information in one place so it is easy search

Unsure what the options are and would like to be educated on sustainability.

NA

These efforts could be expanded within EEGS department as I don't believe there would be enough work to support a full-time position with benefits. Possibly the Student Organization could work in conjunction with EEGS or perhaps an Internship could be offered to get additional physical help.

Composting. Glass recycling. Our building needs to be energy efficient. We need advice, time and money to convert some of our workflows to decrease paper. We need higher wages for TOP workers so they can afford to keep working here.

Teaching us ways we can help the university be more sustainable - especially when it comes to resources/recycling.

Recycling and waste reduction education; transportation and housing needs for living sustainably;

A person to talk to about ideas for sustainability that would have easier/quicker access to the person/s that could make decisions in a more timely fashion.

Educational opportunities to learn more about sustainability and how it directly connects to us and how we can do our part.

solar

Composting on campus Recycling on campus

I would really like to see public recycling receptacles placed around Marquette. I live in an apartment and do not have access to a convenient place where I can recycle.

Resources that are easily accessible -- while sustainability is important, in reality some folks will be participate if it's not extremely easy for them to do so.

Would not apply

More info on recycling

I am most interested in promoting what NMU does. We have a new cohort of students every year, and by the time they realize all the initiatives and opportunities, they are about to leave. Initiatives and opportunities should be promoted from admission and orientation, with a central resources area for students that students know is the 'first contact point' for any questions or objectives.

Recycling

I don't know what a Sustainability Hub is

Tracking and promoting sustainable projects

Being able to help coordinate sustainability efforts across departments.

STUDENT RESPONSES

ST1 - On the following scale, how much do you agree with the statement:

#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	Sustainability is part of the culture at Northern Michigan University.	1.00	5.00	3.54	0.87	0.75	1125

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Strongly disagree	1.87%	21
2	Disagree	11.82%	133
3	Neither agree nor disagree	24.27%	273
4	Agree	54.40%	612
5	Strongly agree	7.64%	86
	Total	100%	1125

ST2 - Are you aware of any sustainability efforts on campus?

#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	Are you aware of any sustainability efforts on campus?	1.00	2.00	1.52	0.50	0.25	1125

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Yes	48.09%	541
2	No	51.91%	584
	Total	100%	1125

ST5 - Considering the definition above, have you covered sustainability-related topics in any of your courses at NMU?

#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	Considering the definition above, have you covered sustainability-related topics in any of your courses at NMU?	1.00	2.00	1.62	0.48	0.24	1125

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Yes	37.78%	425
2	No	62.22%	700
	Total	100%	1125

Q99 - The University's Interim Strategic Plan includes many ways to improve NMU's sustainability. Select all of the initiatives that you believe are most important (select as many as you like):

#	Answer	%	Count
3	Emphasize sustainability in operations and in campus-wide policies	15.62%	62
5	Implement first steps toward achieving carbon neutrality by 2050	13.35%	53
6	Improve waste and recycling efforts	17.13%	68
7	Provide a sustainable dining experience	10.83%	43
9	Create new, interdisciplinary, sustainability-related courses	8.56%	34
10	Educate students and community about different sustainability principles and practices	13.35%	53
12	Build local and regional partnerships to expand educational opportunities	9.57%	38
13	Support applied sustainability-related research	11.59%	46
	Total	100%	397

ST7 - On the following scale, please rate how much you agree with the statements:

#	Question	Strongly disagree		Disagree		Neither agree nor disagree		Agree		Strongly agree	
1	NMU should invest in sustainability initiatives.	36.21%	21	20.48%	17	13.67%	67	29.70%	368	44.60%	595
2	A Sustainability Hub (e.g., office of sustainability) would be beneficial to NMU.	34.48%	20	56.63%	47	36.53%	179	36.64%	454	27.59%	368
3	I would like to see more professional opportunities for sustainability offered on campus at NMU (i.e. internships, research opportunities, conferences, etc.).	29.31%	17	22.89%	19	49.80%	244	33.66%	417	27.81%	371
	Total	Total	58	Total	83	Total	490	Total	1239	Total	1334

ST9 - If a Sustainability Hub were created, what resources and services would be beneficial to you?

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learning about resources

Recycling

E-Newsletter educating students about it.

Sustainable grocery Bikes or electric scooters on campusBike campus police

recycling and composting instructions and tips

Idk

Composting, zero waste products that are contain good ingredients

How to be sustainable when you live a busy life

List of places to recycle, brands that recycle, and to have volunteer opportunities to help find ways to reduce waste materials

Zero waste stores are usually more cost effective which is important for college students

Like as a new student to area it would be helpful to know what kind of sustainability there is. Like what things to do on the weekend with friends that are good for the environment or environmental conscious. It would be a nice area to sign up for volunteering and supporting sustainability projects in the area.

Income based health care

None that I know of

N/A

NOTHING. that's a terrible waste of time and money

Anything affordable such as housing so a student won't be so stressed financially. Reusable products, healthy solutions, recycling, Awareness, and better communication about sustainability efforts. Promoting drive share commutning. Student community garden so we have healthy, affordable foods off and on campus that provides college credit, lab credit, and make-up time credit when your professors won't allow make-up time. All certificate programs should matter to NMU as well. My "degree" isn't even listed below. It is a 64-credit certificate program that should be included.

More information.

guidelines/education, steps to adapting sustainability into everyday life

I have no idea, but a reference to different places in the community that offers sustainability--so I know it's there if I need it?

organic healthy snacks

a renewable energy learning area

Information about sustainability and recycling in Marquette.

Information on how to keep the environment healthy and what can students and faculty do to help with sustainability on campus

Not sure

healthy, ethically sourced food, storage, and waste products.

Basic education about sustainability and it's importance to the future of human kind

Abilities to research local and campus wide sustainability goals.

Not really sure, hard to think

I'm not quite sure

Ways to improve NMU's and MQT's carbon footprint, a more known place to find places to recycle/take glass, community access to what should and should not be recycled

Availability of glass recycling

Efficient home cooking/cleaning w/ minimal waste/max value

E-waste recycling. Maybe a free cooking class for cheap, easy, sustainable dishes?

Notice of events, community compost, community garden, etc.

Possible upcycling. Clothing donations for art majors to use the cloth, things like that.

at home sustainability tips, reusable and recycled times, home decor from recycled items

I honestly wouldn't use it

Information about recycling

Information on how I can become more sustainable in small and big ways, how to properly recycle, ways to reuse items (turning an old shoe into a plant pot), what to avoid doing/buying/using, information on climate change, activities/programs I can join to help the environment and the sustainability movement, emailing petitions to sign for sustainability, etc. I would also like to see NMU be more sustainable and how they're going to become more sustainable.

Education on compost / affordable ways to be waste conscious

More information

Not sure for specifics, but things that influence college students to use those resources more regularly.

Pretty much general information and anything related to sustainable careers I could go into

Recycling and composting information all in one place/one communications specialist that knows the answers to all of my questions. Students being paid to work on sustainability projects/initiatives on campus.

Services like a regular pick up of recyclables, available coupons for "zero waste" stores, or information and tips on being more sustainable.

Sustainable dorm resources, swap rooms for clothing and more, ways for students to be involved on micro scales, not only on the institutional level

I'd want to talk to the people in charge. So I can express how I feel about northern's sustainability problems.

Information on how to implement sustainable products, samples of sustainable products, reward program for recycling projects

Educational programs/presentations

More recycling opportunities

Not sure, would need to learn more

Information about how to get started, even if its small steps. Some people can't make major changes to their lives right away, so providing people with the information on how to become more sustainable would be beneficial for all. New students should be required to take course on how to treat and sustain the new environment they are coming into as well.

I don't know.

I'm not sure

Recycling and composting sites, tip hub on how to be more sustainable in day to day life, a meter/tracker for the university that holds the university accountable.

I'm not sure

Educational services that teach students and faculty on best ways to be sustainable.

buy nothing site?!?

career opportunities and community involvement opportunities

It would be beneficial to have better recycling options on campus and maybe have rewards on campus for rooms using recycling rather than trash for goods that can be recycled. I would also say that adding more composting options could be nice.

Recycling resources

Student forum.

local events to participate in, or creating events that can happen in the area surrounding sustainability efforts.

educational outreach services

I think a zero waste store is a very good idea, I also think the education of sustainability throughout NMU would be very helpful

Information about policies, both local, statewide and federal, and how to be engaged politically.

Basic Information or where to go in Marquette to learn about sustainability

Informational center of sustainable products/businesses

I would like to see more zero waste products on campus

resources for eating / shopping locally to reduce emissions and waste, community cleanup initiatives,

I would like to find a general array of good, like at Cattrax, but sourced from companies that care about sustainability and ensure everything is recycled and doesn't harm the environment.

Information and resources

sustainable products or maybe a hub for things like eco bricks etc

i think if products from the on campus farms could be sold for cheap that would be cool and helpful, im sure you've heard a lot about housing being an issue i don't know how a sustainability hub would help with that but if it could that would be awesome, also if the sustainability hub could create jobs even low level jobs that focused on improving sustainability school wide that would be kick ass too

I think the hub overall would be beneficial and open a lot of doors for the campus.

Tips on being more sustainable.

initiatives to promote student sustainability, official tree planting events

I would love a zero waste store on campus.

I think it would be beneficial for all students to learn how they can live more sustainably on campus.

a compost and information on what materials can be compatible/recyclable and what are not.

information on sustainable and affordable food and resource options; the co-op is cool but it is more expensive than Walmart

any could be helpful

Resources of information about how to integrate sustainability as a student living on campus.

Not sure

As a university I imagine our biggest concern would be disposal or recycling of paper, I think everybody could benefit from a clear and effective recycling program. Perhaps less plastic in our vending machines would be good too? If we're really concerned about our environment then the companies we support with our dollars has a big impact on the world.

A "bulk" marketplace where you can buy things such as pasta, bread, fruit, and veggies with the emphasis on not wasting things (also bringing in your own container).

Locations of recycling dumpsters

Just having a Sustainability Hub where students can go (in person or online) to find frequently asked questions about anything sustainability related.

education and resources for me to go out and practice sustainability

a directory for finding a sustainable version of commonly used products

Affordable resources that are better for the environment.

I don't know enough about this to answer

Locations provided for local farmers/markets where I could get foodZero-waste food items or household items (ie. toothbrushes)Compost bin (so I could actually compost despite living in the dorms!)

Less items with packaging.

Widespread student outreach, accessible composting and recycling initiatives.

-Ways to reduce overconsumption: we don't realize how much as Americans overconsume so many things such as: Amazon shopping, buffet/dining hall food waste, resources, and clothing. Creating a campus system for food waste and educating students about it could significantly reduce it! A campaign could make a difference in this effort.

Quick tips lists on how to be more sustainable

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Ways that I could help the sustainability effort as an individual.

Nothing

More recycling initiatives, more compost piles, showing society how to re-use materials instead of throwing them away, paying people for un-wanted items that maybe beneficial to others, etc.

Educating students about how they can help

recycling/compost at the dining hall. list of recycle able materials more prominent (like a large important looking poster).

city recycling bins and city trash bags for students

Website/social media

Not sure yet.

more/easier access to recycling for the dorms, maybe some solar umbrella chargers around campus, general information on how to be a 'greener' person

Purchasing zero waste products

Education and materials

internships, clubs, and opportunities to provide me with a more well rounded education for the workforce

Maybe handing out pamphlets or having little informational booths every now and then

advice on implementing sustainability day-to-day, groups centered on sustainability, events/opportunities related to sustainability

Sustainable resources, tips, a more green lifestyle for life on campus.

It would be interesting to have a sustainability counselor, in which anyone could be informed about topics they have questions about.

Speaker events, campus farm/garden funded/employee by the Sustainability Hub

I think the zero waste option would be an awesome thing! I know it's be hard to change everything, as all business's and corporations would need to change as well- but change is change.

overview of all sustainability efforts and can and other recycling options, volunteer opportunities and an organization for recycling.

fresh sustainable food, and possibly recycled or donated clothes for students in need

Learning programming and first hand experience

Education on how to properly deal with food waste in a sustainable way & recycling service/center

any and all of it

Easier glass recycling

Less waste

Recycling/ no waste stores/ Reducing food waste

I think having more opportunities for students to have internships, resources, etc. that can be utilized outside the university would be beneficial. I am a senior and graduating this winter so I won't be up here for much longer but I think a response from a senior is important to make it known that they should continue for future wildcats!

recycling , a place to buy sustainable products/ food

none

I love the idea of a sustainability store. I am currently an RA on campus and I feel that it is especially difficult to eat sustainably on campus. I also think it would be cool to educate others on how important it is to reduce the amount of trash we throw out.

I have no idea what service I may even receive

Sustainability is not an individual issue. The culture at NMU does not support sustainability and it is most evident in the demonstrably unsustainable practices in many departments where cutting corners to save money is done frequently, even at the cost of sustainability. An example of this is the plastic silverware and disposable cups and plates at the NLD. If the intention, be it covert or expressed, of the creation of the Sustainability Hub is to pass the buck of responsibility to the students and individual faculty at NMU from the ADMINISTRATION and BOARD OF DIRECTORS, it as might as well not be created. Sustainability is a societal structure issue and can only properly be addressed by those who hold the power to change the systems in place.

Not sure

Something that explains recycling guidelines here, bc as an out-of-state student, I was not aware of some of the policies about recycling that michigan has

Honestly, I'm not sure what services they would offer on an individual level but in general, I think having a sustainability office and board would be very useful and helpful for overseeing and implementing sustainability efforts. *Also there's no undeclared option on the "select a major" question

-Recycling options for uncommon items like batteries, etc.- Tips on how to reduce waste-Zero waste shop

Actually using recycling bin and not putting everything in the trash.

Just generally reducing products even further so that there are less things that end up in landfills or just overall improving the planet in that sense.

It would be good to serve as an education platform as well as providing services. Perhaps provide more sustainable products, such as menstrual cups, wooden toothbrushes, affordable grocery totes, etc.

Events would help promote and educate about sustainability and fun hands-on activities everyone could do together to learn more about it.

Access to sustainable products for purchase on or near campus. Information on how to create less waste and be more sustainable while in college, but also in real life.

information on how to be more sustainable on a budget

Basic things such as compost bins would be a great way to start. Seeing how many people join and use it would be needed before we do anything too big.

informational on campus and local efforts, ways to get involved, advisement on how to get into sustainability careers

Zero Waste options, further opportunities to learn more about sustainability, center for better ways of exposing waste, better support for student groups who focus on this issue

Don't see it being utilized

Any and all

How to properly recycle in the U.P., where I can shop sustainably, information that is helpful/ a place I can go to to invest in sustainability.

Group involvement oppurtunities, present real ways students can help along with that provide real reasons why they should help.

Some sort of metrics produced for those not directly involved to understand efforts

internship opportunities or speakers about different ways that us as students can increase our sensibility efforts.

unknown

Being able to participate in learning more sustainable methods

Tips and tricks

Just more information about being sustainable and ways we as students can help

More information about what we can do in the dorms to recycle and compost.

More waste free products/recycling. Better dining experience/healthier choices.

Information about recycling and composting.

Information on how to improve sustainable living while on campus.

Ways to be more sustainable

Ways to be sustainable on a college budget

I, Personally, probably wouldn't use it but I believe it would be a great thing to have

Not sure

Resources available on how to live more sustainably.

Talks and events to discuss how we can be proactive and lend a hand in being sustainable on campus

Effective and efficient ways for a college student to be sustainable. Better ways to handle trash and recycling in housing and academic buildings.

Easily accessible information to all students, things to get students involved

Access to education materials for students and the community, seminars with guest speakers/faculty regarding certain sustainability policies/information, and maybe a forum for students to express their thoughts, concerns, and suggestions to some council/advisory board.

Information and starting resources for personal sustainability such as composting resources or ways to get involved in community or campus sustainability projects. Additionally, some sort of exchange for clothing and school supplies, especially if it were year round.

year-round clothing swap events
Donation center for dorm essentials (instead of the dumpsters being filled at the end of the semester with perfectly good things)
Upcycling center
Apartment composting information
Carpooling resources

I'm not really ever on campus, so it wouldn't be beneficial to me personally, but I'd like to see things that benefit others and the community.

A place to find more ways to be involved and help out.

Mostly resources and information

Glass recycling

A central and accessible space for sustainable ideas to be considered. More accessibility to student sustainability governance at NMU outside of the EcoReps organization (we need to encourage interdisciplinary action on climate), and an oversight committee to advocate for sustainability in all aspects of university and campus operations.

Recycling services, zero waste products on campus, providing practices for students to be more sustainable as well.

Having ways to get involved, specific initiatives being displayed, and opportunities for academic and professional routes that involve sustainability.

Recycle locations

More information on day to day sustainable practices

Compost services

I don't know

Recycled goods

Providing resources to helping students transition to more sustainable practices in every day life, while running on a tight budget

1. Information about how to reduce, reuse, recycle everything both on-campus as well as in the community. NMU needs to continue moving towards full sustainability. 2. It would be valuable to have a "store" where things can be exchanged, traded, shared, etc. 3. A full discussion about exactly what happens with products we use from the beginning to end of their lives would open up people's eyes as to how we are impacting our planet. 4. Explaining how people can change their usage of chemicals that are dangerous to the environment to using less harmful products would be useful. 5. A discussion about how people can raise food would be useful. Getting people in touch with local farmers and local natural resources would be good.

Just learning how to be more sustainable in general

reusable products

N/A

Glass, can, battery return, having food places that use the least waste as possible, and alternative foods.

Information on how I can live more sustainably on the NMU campus.

recycling and more opportunities to decrease food waste from NLD.

I would like it to be the head office for all sustainability efforts on campus. This would make them more centralized and easier to get involved in.

Not sure

Dining experience low waste, more educational resources

not sure

A sustainability hub is great, but it isn't so much about giving students information about sustainability. It starts with holding those in power accountable for sustainability on campus. A lot of people I know live quite a sustainable life. We don't need metal straws, we need fundamental changes in our university that allows our education to be sustainable as well. If there was a hub, it should focus on getting the people in power to actually make changes.

PLEASE PUT TRASH CANS ON CAMPUS. I have been tempted in the past to litter because it is HARD TO FIND A TRASH CAN. Also, might as well take extreme recycling measures in the process.

A sort of pamphlet that lists small ways you can start being sustainable in your own life

Snacks, water, clothes, shoes, etc

Information on how to live sustainably in your day-to-day life.

I'm not sure but I want to elaborate on one of the questions above. I don't think I would buy from a zero waste store solely because stores like that are very expensive and I would rather spend my money at catrax or something like that because it is cheaper.

Access to information other than what is happening in Marquette, especially potential jobs for soon to be graduates.

Learning more about easy ways to be more sustainable, and better educating about recycling as well as providing resources to make it easier more people to have less waste.

A system to report and possibly remediate poor sustainability practices by the university.

Information on proper recycling and how to make sustainability affordable to students. Have sustainable toiletries available.

How to recycle effectively, which businesses in Marquette should I support so that my money is supporting sustainability, how can I learn more about sustainability

Just expanding general knowledge of how to reduce waste and conserve plastics and such.

Different types of recycling bins; information on ways to reuse items (also a running list of student ideas)

Just education on how to become more sustainable and how to encourage others

Unsure. Advisory/oversight role over other department's practices and use of resources I suppose
a website

I don't think a sustainability hub would benefit me in any way.

Books

Class

Information regarding participation

906 Recycling partnering with NMU so the sustainability hub is backed by Marquette county's recycling program.

I have no idea

Recycle bins in more areas

more info on what can be recycled

Education

Just having the hub being able to educate students and put out information can help everyone become more familiar with a topic that not everyone knows much about.

na

I am not particularly sure what a sustainability hub is or what they offer.

Where to put and make compost.

I would love education on further sustainability practices and ways I can assist on large and small scale.

Information about policies and the struggle for sustainability at state and federal levels of government.

Learning, education and some certifications related to sustainability

I don't think the university should be investing in things like this. We should be more focused on getting better teachers to improve our learning.

Information about the Marquette County & City's recycling programs

Help with making a zero-waste lifestyle more accessible

Info and advocacy to make changes around campus

Helping students get reusable bags, teaching students live more eco friendly.

Educational information, tips to becoming more sustainable in your everyday life. How you could support sustainable initiatives.

None

Information to help make better choices, recycling center, compost

Not exactly sure but would be interested to learn more!

Being able to understand the means and methods done by the university towards sustainability, knowing about the dates and locations of pertaining upcoming events focused on or supporting sustainability efforts around the community, articles with subjects such as tips on how to be more sustainable around campus or how to get more involved, and maybe a forum system that would allow people on campus to discuss current sustainable measures and suggest future ones (of course that would have to be heavily moderated)

Can deposit center on campus, volunteer cleanup opportunities

I'm not sure

reusable water bottles and bags

Education, training, products that are sustainable

Information on Marq-tran, the Co-op, and other community resources. A comprehensive list/location to get information about campus sustainability initiatives, "green" clubs, and green fund information.

Guides to eating sustainably while having the college student budget

Lectures and workshops on practicing sustainability in everyday life, especially during financial stress. Free products that support sustainability. Low-cost trips to universities, businesses, organizations, and facilities that are leading advocates in sustainability.

The support itself is very comforting. I cannot think of any resources I'd need, but knowing my peers are able to be taken care of is very important.

MORE GARBAGE CANS

Composting, further information on sustainability, what I could do to help on campus, resources for students who are interested in sustainability to have an explanation on further careers and opportunities. Essentially the student help center but for questions regarding sustainability and how to live a more eco friendly lifestyle.

Education on environmental things going on in Marquette

Information on current sustainable initiatives, resources for teaching about sustainability and zero waste, and aid in career services centered around sustainability.

Research in a plant based chemistry related to sustainability

NMU Clothing Notebooks
No plastic dining supplies

Easy ways to be more sustainable

Better recycling

Community garden, Education on native plants (especially edible) and ethical harvest

A place to compost

Plastic Bag collection, Battery collection, Classes on creative sustainability practices.

More sustainable waste disposal in dining services.

I think if one were created it would be important to spread the word more about the sustainability things on campus.

Honestly, I would need more information first

information about how a single individual can influence sustainability

I am not sure.

I think educating about energy-conservation best practices would be the most efficient way to advertise a Sustainability Hub. Simple reminders that may draw students into the cause.

job and internship opportunities

A single location for environmental related job opportunities and internships for current and graduating students. As well as a more open and localized source for sustainable developments on campus.

Locally grown food, recycled bags and clothing

community gardens, donation and recycling drives, options to implement sustainable energy, seeing NMU's long term sustainability goals

Education on how to be sustainable, sustainable dining.

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what and where to recycle

Land use. We could feed the entire student body on food grown on the available land. The staff that mows and maintains flower beds could be doing the same for green houses, vegetable gardens and high tunnels. I would volunteer.

Events, info on how companies source their ingredients, expose green washing efforts made by (usually big) corporations

Knowing how to get involved in the cause

recycling center (glass, other harder to recycle items), reusable items (reusable shopping bags, etc.)

Zero waste products, locations for recycling (maybe electronic recycling too?) resources for those interest in jobs or careers in a sustainable field.

Glad recycling and more compost resources.

N/A

Education

I have served as student sustainability officer for student government and worked directly in the office of sustainability at The University of Wisconsin Oshkosh and have had many first hand experiences regarding this. What I saw happen at Oshkosh and the other 10 or so other Wisconsin University programs I was familiar with is that University's admin chased LEED certification and lavish "green" investments to show off and try to win awards and up there sustainability rankings. Most man hours were spent tediously calculating carbon footprints and then buying carbon credits to make ourselves feel like we did something. Many of the functional aspects of reducing waste, inefficiencies in facilities, as well as building of a biodigester to handle food waste and provide substantial energy savings was relatively successful and useful in terms of developing academic programs that had real world hands on avenues that actually made an impact. However, I am very skeptical of a sustainability hub. I think the university should think long and hard about what is doable and what actually constitutes sustainability. Most of what I see at the university level in sustainability is greenwashing and stat gathering. We need a person that can spearhead real change and implement change at the administrative level. Not just getting better recycling cans, while maintaining contracts with multinational corporations that only offer garbage food, etc. I need to know what risk the university is going to take in defining true sustainability goals before I support a hub.

TerracycleBetter recyclingAbility to obtain zero-waste products

I think resources on conscious consumption, composting, and more information on how to properly recycle.

Advising for food services on campus to be more sustainable, more education on what can and can't be recycled

Reusable packaging

Maybe some tips on how to be more sustainable myself

Somewhere to drop off recycling for students who don't have access to transportation. A resale shop year-round or for when the dorms are cleaned out (don't just have huge dumpsters, have a tent for people to leave unwanted furniture). On-campus food pantry for extra supplies from the dining hall.

Using less plastic on campus.

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Advertising is key in order to be able to spread the message of this great program. Student support and support for all student voices regardless of what they have to say. Everyone needs to be able to share in a completely open space. I also believe that any all students should be allowed to join. As long as they are a Northern Student.

Where to shop in Marquette, second hand stores to donate and purchase from, new sustainable food options on campus (vending machines)

Composting options, zero waste store.

Educational sources that are interactive and create a want to participate.

Recycling cans.

Local produce and local car products

A board of some type that connected all the student organizations at NMU that have sustainability-driven efforts, such as a monthly meeting with leadership in said clubs. Additionally, a committee that is dedicated to implementing sustainability efforts that connect the university with the marquette government body and local community groups, business owners, and projects.

Being notified on what is going on

Learning about how to limit food and water waste.

More education on sustainability

Recycling center for off campus students Zero waste refill for soap etc

Access to more sustainable products

Information about lowering waste

Opportunities for students to get involved in sustainability

I saw a lot of waste and greenwashing on the take out containers in the dining hall during peak covid times. When I spoke with the head of dining services I was brushed off and told that wasn't how things were run. I'd like more transparency between staff of the university with those that attend it. I was bothered by so much waste that was deemed "compostable in an industrial facility" yet we don't have access to industrial composting in the UP so essentially a huge build up of trash was happening for year by all the excess waste created from dining.

Tips and practices for individual sustainability and resources proving where NMU's waste will go. As I understand it, the recycling bins outside the dorms don't even go to recycling. I'd like resources proving everything goes where it's supposed to.

How to be more sustainable, for example options on composting on campus. A sustainability hub would also help spread the word across campus as there would be a place to go to learn about being more sustainable. You have to be highly educated when trying to purchase sustainable things at stores like Target and Walmart so it would be helpful to have a hub where you know everything is sustainable.

I would be happy for as many as possible.

Funding

module or events of day to day easy tasks like cooking just enough food reducing food waste

Events where there is zeros waste

Learning about oppportunities

Better ways to manage campus waste, especially in the dining hall and other food facilities on campus

Recycling and reduce of transportation

composting, plastic bag recycling, products in recyclable and/or compostable packaging

I don't think anything that could be offered would be beneficial. The most beneficial thing would be lower costs of pretty much everything and make education more affordable.

Household compost drop-off

Compost resources to avoid food waste

Access to direct organizing opportunities

Reuse/recycle/no waste and/or where to do such

More information about sustainability and benefits

Not having it created, more Northern money will go to something it doesn't necessarily need. Don't need an entire office to teach sustainability, that's ridiculous.

some where to compost waste

It would be beneficial to me because I already stress about how much waste, I, myself throw out now that I live alone. I see that I tend to have lots of garbage and also lots of stuff to store as well. So having help being more sustainable would help me feel better about my carbon footprint and would also save me space, while helping the planet.

community composting

Depends what's available

How information on new things and ideas coming to our area on how to be more sustainable.

Professional job opportunities

Weekly emails that provide quick-tips to to become more sustainable with daily tasks.

Instructions on how to practice sustainability on campus and opportunities to get involved in sustainability efforts

Im not sure what is meant by sustainability hub, but I think ways to make our day to day life more zero waste based

The resources

Hopefully I would have the resources to learn how to use sustainable practices at home. I feel like if there was a 'refill bar' of laundry detergent, shampoo & conditioner & other products like that where patrons could bring in their chosen reusable container, fill it up with their choice of product.

Recycling

Information on sustainable initiatives to be a part of.

I am not sure if I would utilize the hub. However, I know others would

N/a

Not sure

N/A

Different ways of being sustainable, like information on the topic

Research, hands on experience, going out into the community

If a Sustainability Hub were to be created, the resources and services that would be beneficial to myself or students alike would be a place to take recyclables or to learn more about recycling and how to recycle properly.

N/A

Recycling

Unsure

Spreading awareness

Recycling

Not sure what a sustainability hub is

Recycling info

Education on social justice is something very important to me.

An app

More education about it, more recycle stuff

Information on where to obtain and how to practice sustainability

Idk

Idk

Recycling efforts, dining hall initiatives

It would be very helpful to see either an email with what is happening to maintain sustainability, or events posted on the bulletins on sustainability and how to promote it throughout campus.

Knowledge on how I, as a college student, could help be more sustainable

Educational resources so I could better understand sustainability and how to live sustainably in my daily life

Getting better opportunity to get ride of waste and recycle it

Reusable shopping bags

Academic seminars on new technology

Sustainability education

Presentation of all efforts being used to improve sustainability around campus, so everyone is aware.

i feel like this would be a very helpful place for students that have "life" questions not as much academic

Easy access to recycling.

Diesel fuel

Educational materials, starter kits (e.g., for composting), reusable materials

Where I can recycle, ways I can be sustainable in my own home, resources on how I can be sustainable while shopping

What can be recycled in Michigan (for students from out of state), where to bring recycling, sustainable businesses to support, how to grocery shop sustainably.

Help with whats indigenous from great lakes region and where to buy and support its growth

Ways to be more sustainable, club and class opportunities, educational programs

More education on the recycling process (I grew up without recycling in my hometown and still have trouble knowing what can/can't be recycled)

Any

If your opening up a zero waste store through a Sustainability hub, I would totally buy from the zero waste store.

Resources to aid students in implementing sustainability in their lives

Tips for helping the environment, what I can do to make a difference, getting into contact with other students

what locations are best to recycle at, and providing more education whether it be emails or posters around campus with what can and can't be recycled

Designated paper/plastic/can/glass recycling

Where to find sustainable items around town or how to become more sustainable

Na

Zero waste refill stations

Volunteer opportunities, educational programs, resources for recycling, composting, etc.

Consultation for local companies, partnerships with local businesses, a community wide initiative stemming from within the hub

recycling services or area

Access to sustainability initiatives and volunteer outreach

Information on how to live a more sustainable lifestyle, job opportunities in area for sustainability, idea center where you can brainstorm ideas with likeminded individuals,

N/A

see if dining hall can use reusable plates

Where to find where to buy sustainable groceries and tips to live more sustainably

Gift cards to be able to afford to shop at grocery stores like the Marquette Co-op, which practice & support sustainable food products. Some of the students are selling their plasma to afford groceries. NMU is NOT supporting those students who can barely afford to purchase standard groceries, let alone sustainable ones. If you truly, truly want to make a difference in the sustainability of our planet, provide the resources for poor people & students to afford to make such choices. Telling us poors to purchase more sustainable goods isn't going to do shit unless you help support poverty reduction programs.

Items that aren't single use/incentive for sustainability

The service of it being less expensive than 'Cat Trax' and alternatives will be the only thing the store can be strong in.

Something convenient but not intrusive -- i.e. totally voluntary.

composting, projects, garden

New ways to promise sustainability and ways that I can be more environmentally conscious in my own life

Website

Resource to learn

where to recycle, how to locally help

Eco friendly cleaners and house supplies. Vegan and other healthy alternatives for students.

Water conservation, recycling initiatives, compost bins

Tools & advice for incorporating sustainable habits into my own life, education on the effects of plastic waste and minimizing its use, providing sustainable sources of food and other goods

I think it would benefit everyone, it's for the earth as a whole

It would be beneficial to learn of resources that would help me live a more sustainable lifestyle.

compost, more recycling, talking about anti-consumption and consumerism

Anything that segways the students from campus into the real world. Research opportunities and such.

NA

Info on ways to reduce waste, be more sustainable in day-to-day life as a college student.

How to recycle, which food items can be composted

Recycling

Resources to educate further on how to practice sustainability better in daily life, a more sustainable dining experience from on campus eateries, etc

Seminars

reusable bags

I think the educational opportunities would be most beneficial.

Ways to reuse every day items/garbage

Not sure

no idea

clothing swap/recycling

Composting resources and a space to talk about sustainability as a college student

Learning information on how to be sustainable in daily life

Yes

More information on how to recycle certain items

Information about sustainability events on campus + the efforts people are putting in

Water bottles, bees wax wrap to replace seran wrap, a recycling bin communal to nmu students who don't have access to one at home

Recycling center for cash towards NMU bills.

Internships and other career opportunities to continue making a difference after college

Sustainable containers

Events going on that I could support, internships

Don't know

A clothing and item exchange at NMU. Something that was staffed where you could turn in items that are approved and get point to exchange for something else

How to access sustainable products, knowledge of how to be sustainable in one's everyday life, run different zero waste activities on campus, etc.

Resources to help me use more sustainable things to reduce my own waste

Resources for sustainable living in on-campus housing (dorms/apartments), as well as plans to make NMU athletics more sustainable

Recycling

Information about recycling; crafts/ ideas on how to reuse things; a list of stores/ restaurants/ brands that are sustainable yet affordable; information about what sustainability is, how to be more mindful of trash, etc.

I would like to have monthly meetings so that sustainable efforts by students and staff are coordinated. They often are, but there have been several times when events overlap, and although this can be difficult to avoid, we could be more coordinated. I try to reach out to other clubs (through the DivestNMU email) and attend their meetings occasionally but it would be nice to meet with everyone once and a while. Additionally, I think it could be beneficial to share some workload between clubs. I went to eco reps recently and it seems as though several freshmen are keen to get involved with sustainable efforts. Many of them are just unaware of all of the sustainability clubs on campus. I would love for all the climate people at NMU to act as a coordinated force supporting each other in our different missions and projects. This happens a bit, but it could happen more.

I think resources on how to live sustainably and education about it, as well as products and brands that support sustainable living would greatly benefit students and the community.

job board, hands on conservation projects, new pollinator gardens around campus, terra cycle/ electronic recycling days, new groups created to involve students and staff, connect with CNAS and/or local tribal and conservation groups (DNR, conservancies, etc.)

Brochures on how to get involved. Maybe a solar panel engineering/electrician course.

How to emails and updates and a compost bin

im not sure

zero waste storefood for sale that is not commercially produced or heavily processed

Information on how to promote sustainability on campus

Better garbage and recycling situation

Price matching our "regular" products - that winks encourage students to shop more and better the cause

Education about recycling on campus and a plan to make our dining experience less wasteful

An email reminder

the dining experience

What can be recycled and interships to use for credits or classes I could take

Guides on how to recycle correctly/things that you can do to live more sustainably. I still don't know a lot about it but I just recently learned that I'd been recycling stuff wrong for a long time (not taking labels off, etc.). Also information on what to do with e-waste.

Ways to dispose of things properly especially things that have a different thing than other items

Recycling

In general just some better knowledge of how to create a sustainable planet.

How to recycle Where to recycle Low waste options

Information about careers in sustainability after college

General resources

sustainable stores in and around Marquette Phone #/email to call with questions Job opportunities relating to sustainability More information about recycling on and off campus Ways to reduce carbon footprint Sustainable food blogs social justice initiatives on campus and in mqt

Reusable Tupperware or grocery bags, utensils, and less single use items/plastic

Unsure of what the offerings would look like at this time.

Local compost site

i am not sure

Ways to improve recycling and easy ways for sustainability.

Eliminating waste- especially food waste. I'd love to see some food donated vs. being thrown out. Or even saved for compost?

Information of local sustainability opportunities

A weekly email enclosing things you're working on

Free sources for community education on sustainability

Composting on campus/dining hall

Info about how to become more sustainable as a student on campus

Posters or an email sent out

As a member of ASNMU, I would love to utilize some resources to help us make campus more green all together. It makes life more difficult having to jump through so many hoops to get all of the sustainability efforts together making it a daunting task. Having a hub would direct communications easier.

Not really sure, it all depends on what is offered

I don't know

Resources on places where students can go for food/goods that are sustainable

Updates on the sustainability efforts across campus.

events that show you how to practice sustainability

Tips about recycling, food waste, etc.

Career, internship, & volunteer opportunities. Maybe guidance on sustainability available for those who are unfamiliar with learning about it.

a refill station for laundry soap, regular soap, water, etc

Community outreach and working with local governments/boards etc

N/A

Our school has so much soda but no can or bottle returns so maybe that

Not sure

Volunteer opportunities to promote sustainability in local schools and the community.

Guides to more sustainable recycling, educational opportunities/presentations on starting to be more sustainable in day to day living

compost,

laundry soaps, no plastic snacks that are dorm friendly,

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Information and education

Refillable products, sustainably produced and packaged food, educational information on sustainability practices

ways to be more sustainable in my everyday life

Probably none, but it would help others and improve quality of life.

information, sustaining dorm life??

Information on how I can reduce my carbon footprint, more information and insight on sustainable products and living.

Zero waste containers, bags, etc.. Possible employment of engineering students to design sustainable systems throughout campus (solar panels, heating, lighting)

Sustainability

Information on what and how to improve sustainability

Helping off campus students pay for recycling or help get information about recycling.

Info on where to recycle glass, where to compost, info on how recycling and compost are sorted in Marquette

Where on campus you could recycle certain wastes and tips on how to be more sustainable living on and around campus.

opportunities to get involved in activities around campus that encourage sustainability

Recycling information

Info on where we can recycle on campus or how to

Pamphlets talking through important sustainability related issues and how we can help

Eliminate waste from dining facilities. More green energy on campus Turning off the sprinklers or limiting them by at least 3/4, especially when it's raining or hot and sunny out.

Items I would need for student success would be technology, books, bags, clothing, travel coffee mugs, food kits. Regional resources throughout Michigan that have access to opportunities such as internships, scholarships, certifications in the environmental field. A website that global students can easily navigate and click on links of regional resources.

Knowledge on where to get sustainable food, school essentials, etc.

I can only speak on sustainability relating to food consumption and a full spectrum process that allows for education and lowering a carbon footprint. In my experience there are plenty of intelligent students attending this university for medicinal plant chemistry and indoor agriculture yet there are no opportunities for these students to get hands on experience in cultivation. There are MANY students who would gladly devote their time and efforts into producing fruits, vegetables, and mushrooms for the dining hall. Kids are eager to use their skills and passion for growing to better their community yet this university chokes out their passion. There should be more effort given into facilities where students enrolled in plant biology courses can use their passion to grow produce for the school. People will FREELY VOLUNTEER to take part in growing produce. Facilities should be open for students to grow crops that can be used for consumption. PLEASE INCREASE THE OPPORTUNITIES of plant chemists and farmers to use their knowledge and love for plants to positively impact there university. Open up the greenhouses, allow for a university garden in the summers, THERE ARE PLENTY OF FACILITIES GOING TO WASTE BECAUSE STUDENTS CANT PERSUE THEIR PASSION FOR AGRICULTURE! Let the students who love to garden help supply the school with fresh, local produce while simultaneously helping their education in the field. STUDENTS WANT TO GROW! GIVE US THE FACILITIES TO WORK AND PRODUCE FOR THE BETTER OF THE UNIVERSITY!!!

more education (ex. proper recycling)

literally anything other than what we have

Recycling for off-campus students for sure

Any information/objects that would improve our sustainability here at NMU.

Opportunities to recycle & compost, info on becoming carbon neutral

Updates about how/what NMU is doing to be more sustainable. Also offering resources for people to have a better understanding of what that could look like.

More info

Workshop events, could do something like Sustainability Week or something to hype up educational activities for NMU, list local businesses that are proud to be sustainable partnered with the new Hub

Knowledge of events

Increased knowledge of how to be involved with sustainability within the surrounding communities outside of the university, and resources for learning about sustainability on campus

Sustainable resources

To be able to learn more about to how to be more sustainable in my everyday life

what is truly beneficial in the short + long term

Zero waste product would be very beneficial to add onto our campus

Campus wide composting could be cool.

education on sustainability efforts I can do.

I don't know, my apologies.

Everyday use: toothpaste, toilet paper, etc.

A plastics and lab or similar to actual learn real solutions that could also be a cross with product development to create something from it

recycling guides, workshops

Relative community resources, information of how to dispose of certain materials, such as ink cartridges, opportunities for volunteering

I dont know

Clothing swap year round, food swaps

How to compost and recycle well

Compost drop off, better recycling efforts around campus, community garden.

Groups to recycle products and keep our campus clean and promote businesses in campus to manage waste in a green manner

information on the impact of the program on NMU sustainability, and environmental impact

I believe that they should include a spot where i can ask if my item that I may not be sure is recyclable is something i can recycle.

Availability of sustainability knowledge.

Not quite sure, to be honest.

More education to people uninvolved to sustainability majors. Composting on campus.

Picking up litter would be broadly beneficial.

Recycling resources.

Resources around the area that are more sustainable. Potentially people who can work together and share products to be more sustainable

I am unsure

Community info/resources (recycling, compost, public transport, etc)

Brainstorming groups. Recycling. Peer led groups on recycling ideas, reuse ideas, zero waste ideas, etc

Yes

Less car dependent commuting options, research, connections, food systems

None I'm not a panzee.

Idk

Textile recycling, a place to give/take/swap items, on campus bottle return

Proper recycling methods

Replacing/removing single use plastics

Ways to help the cause

food waste options, how to incorporate sustainability in our own lives

More information about how to recycle all types of plastic/where you can find recycling centers nearby, information on how to minimize your carbon footprint, and hold events promoting sustainability(maybe starting your own farm or how to purify water from home?)

Where I can recycle at

A map of recycling recepticals on campus

Information

A place to turn in my recyclables.

A recycle collection center for dorm waste, instead of just the dumpsters. Internships and educational opportunities, talks

A place and resources to research on sustainability.

Locations for recycling and disposing of certain materials that could be harmful if disposed of incorrectly.

None

Clubs

Information and meeting dates of sustainably actions

Ways to be sustainable

Recycling resources for plastic and somewhere to bring them

Place to compost

Ways to be more self-sustainable, ease of access to credible research on what parts of sustainability work the best and things that are more placebo

Offering free samples of more sustainable products. Oftentimes it's too expensive for me to buy a sustainable deodorant just to find it doesn't work, so I stick with more harmful options that work. Same with food alternatives. Also some skill builders about how to properly recycle and how recycling in MQT works. Provide a ride share program for students traveling home during breaks ect.

Just more information on what is available in the Marquette area of sustainability resources or involvement.

Zero waste opportunities on campus.

Greater recognition and support of indigenous based sustainability methods.

Anything

Learning how to become more sustainable, what can be done to improve sustainability, etc

I'm not really educated on this topic so I would be interested to learn more about it

Education on why it is important and how to re use items

Not sure

Reusable items

programs to be more sustainable on a personal level

I don't know.

A recycling drop-off would be great because my current apartment does not offer recycling bins and I often have nowhere to bring my recycling. I hate the idea of throwing all of my recycling away.

Information on campus sustainability efforts and ways to get involved academically or through volunteer opportunities

N/A

Affordable sustainable products that would be accessible to low income students/ recommendations for products, educational conferences, stuff like that.

Just knowing what sustainable things are being done at nmu.

Recycling

Information telling students how to be sustainable in an inexpensive way.

Help with learning where/ what and how to be more sustainable

More information and maybe events showing how I as an individual can be involved and participating in sustainability in my daily life.

Less single use plastics in dining. Composting available to the public. A zero waste store

Easy to access and understand learning material

what do to do with larger recycle items, daily/monthly facts on how much energy is used through campus & set monthly/annual goals, what can be recycled in the UP?

How we can do our part to keep northern sustainable

Not sure

Affordable alternatives to every day items such as shampoo bars, a recycling guide for students, and possibly incentives for partaking in sustainable lifestyle choices.

Money that could go to the Hub could also be allocated to sustainability projects that are not a marketing ploy.

no waste food options

Reusable plastic bags and more resources to find ways to be sustainable

Solar with benches

Resuable utensils, straws, bags, Tupperware. Information guides on how to live more sustainably easy at home.

They wouldn't

Internship opportunities and community based talks about what we can do on the local level for Marquette sustainability

None

A composting option for students, especially those in the apartments

Recycling

Sustainability information. Many people don't know what it means or how to implement. Also how it can be profitable!!

Environmental services and educating people on the importance of sustainability

A commuter bulletin for people's traveling home and willing to carpool. Proper waste disposal resources (compost, recycling). Partnership with affordable and sustainable food sourcing.

locations of close sustainable stores and opportunities

- Easy access to compost and recycling- Education about what materials can be composted or recycled (and what actually gets recycled)- Opportunities to reduce waste in the first place (I'd love a zero-waste shop, though I'm more interested in household and personal goods than convenience store items)- Workshops to upcycle things that would otherwise end up in a landfill - Partnering with local indigenous communities in conservation and sustainability efforts

A better waste collection system that doesn't require stickers and colored bags

Advocating for a sustainable dining experience would be amazing! The waste from the dining hall makes me so sad.

Composting, gardening, reusable items, ways to reuse normally thrown away items like turning plastic bags into string to weave.

Internships and opportunities to learn more about a possible future sustainability related career

How to compost/reduce food waste

Giving students resources to recycle, highlight opportunities around Marquette County, just things to make sustainability something that's increasingly more accessible and easy for students to commit to.

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Healthy food

A website with helpful links on sustainable practices

More information on what things I can do to be more sustainable, eco friendly alternatives, and ways that I can get involved with the community to be make things more sustainable (etc. beach clean ups, donation centers)

Sustainability classes. Information events that appeal to students. Upcycle

Reusable bags/straws/etc, as well as educational resources and the ability to get involved.

Education on sustainability and recycling and reusing efforts

recycling info

Local ways to recycle, local volunteer efforts for sustainability, partnering with BIPOC efforts for sustainability, uplifting local indigenous voices regarding sustainability

information about sustainable efforts on campus and how we can love our lives more sustainably

Better programs to help students with financial purchases (ie. shopping, needs supplies)

How to live sustainably on a college campus. How to eat sustainably. Etc. clothing swaps.

Finding job experiences

N/A

resources for recycling and composting

Information on becoming more sustainable

Information on how I can practice sustainability at school and at home. Also, local resources and volunteering opportunities for sustainability.

Information on cheaper alternatives to living waste free/ sustainably.

Educational resources on sustainability (ex. ways to promote sustainability in everyday life/your home).

Having a dedicated team of people to solely focus on improving sustainability on campus. Resources could be having reusable items (free or to purchase), online resources, volunteer opportunities, what they are actually doing to help the school. NOT having it in the northern center, put it somewhere on the main part of campus.

I think it would be a nice place for students to learn more information about sustainability and different options to make their lifestyles more sustainable.

Sustainability tips

Zero waste shopping

DIY compost, local efforts we can be a part of, second hand clothing, food workshops to utilize and reduce food waste.

Reusable bags would be nice for like grocery shopping or to pick up anything you ordered on campus

information about ways to live sustainably, a place to compost or information on composting, information about places to shop more sustainably in marquette

compost

All of them? I think NMU would be a great place to continue the fight against climate change, I don't care how we do it.

All of it

Recycling, compost

Unsure

reusable dining products, beeswax wraps for food, the cardboard water bottles (like boxed water)

People to answer questions on where to find more sustainable methods and where to recycle items that can't be recycled in local bins but could be somewhere else that isn't locally?

Informational guides, opportunities for advancement educationally, and access to sustainable products

Clubs to meet other people who want to help out.

Recycling (for paper towels) in bathrooms brought back.

It would be beneficial to find new ways to be sustainable

Create a "no buy" organization. Students and faculty can bring clothes, unopened food, new products, or anything they may no longer need or want and aren't interested in selling. Everyone can browse the products and avoid buying something that may already be available

Zero clue just want a healthier earth

Discovering places that are environmentally friendly.

Educational resources, professional connections, information for resources on campus such as composting and how to get involved

i want to know more about sustainability in general as i am very uneducated about the topic

Mainly with connecting with the community and also also doing more with recycling.

How to lower carbon foot print and more

Reusable bags

Easy access to mire ways to be sustainable

Information and tips on sustainability for both on and off campus residents. Maybe include information on any compost programs going on, recycling programs, locally grown food information, etc.

I am not sure, sorry.

More information about sustainability at NMU, opportunities to help out and make our school more sustainable.

Guidelines/tips for improving sustainability at home

The only major issue I can think of is that NLD has reusable dishes and silverware and seldom uses it

education

Information

Education on how to live sustainable and what I can do to help nmu sustainability

Resources about what NMU is doing to obtain sustainability

Any products that make as little waste as possible.

Ways to compost, less wasteful products in places like the dining hall & eateries, informational sessions/panels on sustainability,

composting and recycling options and information, second hand or zero waste stores for student needs, opportunities extending beyond nmu for students to get involved

Zero waste resources and initiatives

N/A

Plants, trash alternatives, better food products, Career opportunities, education

Any and all

Where to dispose of electronics batteries etc.

Unsure

Differing Media

Recycling

More education about sustainability

Recycling information. Zero waste products. Volunteer opportunities

Learning more about sustainability practices and every day applications. Internships or research options for students.

Idk

Extra knowledge about how to properly conserve energy and try to limit waste and take care of our kind for a long time.

Not sure

Job Opportunities

I'm not entirely sure but I feel a lot would be beneficial!

Conferences on how nmu could become more sustainable

Zero waste refill areas for things like soap/detergent etc Education opportunities via pamphlets/presentations

Finding better options for being more sustainable living

Not sure.

easier access to recycling, optional and free/cheap outlet shutoff timers,

Education on Sustainability and resources to make sustainable living more accessible to students.

Brochures with alternative sustainable options. I.e. - I use this ___ but I could use this ___ as a more sustainable option

None

meetings to stay up to date

Like reusable supplies

Zero waste program!

Recycling and getting inspiration for my future work.

zero waste store, bus transportation, leave what you can take what you need food pantry, recycling program

Recycling knowledge etc.

Information, making the dining hall more sustainable, tips on how to shop and eat sustainably on a budget

cleaning products and refill places

Not sure

Info on the university becoming carbon neutral

Not sure.

Zero waste resources

Education on alternative options Plastic bag recycling Workshops (wax paper, recycling crafts, etc)

Soap refill place, etc

n/a

More overall education to students and staff outside of the environmental majors who focus on sustainability in every course. Having the administration do more towards being sustainable and have the goal of carbon neutrality earlier than 2050

Yeah jvt

N/a

n/a

N/A

Any education on how I personally can reduce my carbon footprint while on a budget

Learning and research opportunities

n/a

Probably ways to get more information

Instruction on how to eat more sustainably.

Interested in learning how to get involved

I'm not sure, but would love to learn about it!

Ways to help the and ways people are already helping.

I like the idea of a zero waste store

where refill stations are things like that

plastic free water bottles and items

Things like resources on how to live a low waste life. recycling education. Glass recycling and such.

Learning opportunities to educate others on the importance and reducing waste

X

I have no idea

Teach people how to properly recycle. Make composting.

I would definitely like to learn more overall and how NMU already is implementing sustainability other than recycling.

Sustainable products to decrease the waste I produce.

Notification of sustainability events.

Readings, a detailed plan on how Northern is trying to achieve Sustainability.

Healthy foods and recycled goods, like paper and books

I would like to know what I can do on a personal level to help reduce my carbon footprint. It would be awesome if NMU could provide that type of information to all students.

Information, resources, access, increased sustainability efforts

information on how to be sustainable and reduce waste

Knowledge of where to get stuff to achieve being sustainable

Direct links to sustainable businesses, practices, and I initiatives.

reusable goods store type thing

N/a

Unsure

More information

If this is in relation to the SHINE building I am hoping that it truly becomes a place for all the environmental orgs on campus to come together. That it isn't something performative and that the school listens to the ideas that come out of there to make this campus be sustainable.

Solar panels

Ways to cut down on waste, save money on utilities, how to get involved with climate initiatives

Just having more resources to tell students in my class that I teach how to be more sustainable in dorm life

Workshops on recycling and waste reduction, intentionality and mindfulness regarding consumption, and creative ways to live more sustainably.

All of them!

A website that would have various information such as locations of recycling bins, local sustainable stores, ways to compost and more. An office where students can go to physically and recommend ways that sustainability to improve. A community garden on campus so that we on campus students can compost, grow, and eat food that they and staff are invested in.

Simple switches to make activities of daily living more sustainable

More recycling services, and possibly compensating individuals for recycling efforts. Would be nice to offer more compostable products, and recycled materials.

I would be interested in learning about sustainability practices that I could implement in my home/personal life to benefit myself and the environment, ie energy efficiency programs, composting, etc

Education to others about sustainability and effective ways to implement it in our everyday lives.

There really needs to be a bigger push to educate students and faculty about what they can do to partake in sustainability efforts on campus. Even further than that, there should be efforts to make these changes campus policies. These practices should be encouraged to be the norm here on campus. Opening resources for on-campus students, commuters, and staff is very important to make such changes work and benefit campus. Things like workshops on sustainable practices, reusable bags, recycling 101, etc. would help the general population at NMU.

Trash pick up schedules. Maps of recycling points. Events regarding sustainability efforts.

Resources regarding recycling services, and just general ways that we can be more sustainable in our everyday life.

any and all!

Not sure

student hangout space

refills on soap and bathroom products

Easy access to all information regarding these projects.

zero waste store, professional opportunities (to learn more), zero waste dining

Information on Compost and Recycling, Internship opportunities

A singular place to recycle if needed, a singular place to refill reusable containers with household items, bathroom items, etc.

Combining all sustainable initiatives on campus to be in one locations, zero waste store
