



## Ohio State's White House Climate Pledge

The Ohio State University is committed to developing durable solutions to the pressing challenges of sustainability and in evolving a culture of sustainability through collaborative teaching, pioneering research, comprehensive outreach, and innovative operations, practices, and policies. Our commitment to sustainability features many goals, including:

1. **Deliver a Curriculum** that provides Ohio State students at all stages of instruction with opportunities to understand sustainability holistically.
2. **Reward Sustainability Scholarship** by providing incentives for students, faculty and staff to make discoveries and stimulate creative efforts that promote and achieve sustainability.
3. **Implement specific, "world-leading" university-wide operational goals to reduce resource consumption, neutralize carbon emissions, and minimize waste**, including:
  - Achieve carbon neutrality by 2050
  - Reduce total campus building energy consumption by 25% by 2025
  - Reduce potable water consumption by 5% per capita every five years, resetting baseline every five years
  - Reduce carbon footprint of university fleet by 25% by 2025
  - Achieve zero waste by 2025 by diverting 90% of waste away from landfills
  - Increase production and purchase of locally and sustainably sourced food to 40% by 2025



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