

# Green Campus Action Plans: Tools & Resources

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# CT Climate Change Action Plan

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- New England Governors & Eastern Canadian Premiers (NEG/ECP) signed a CC Action Plan in August 2001
- In 2002, NEG/ECP identified college & university campuses as a sector for early climate change actions
- CT is integrating campus outreach into the CC Action Plan that it is currently finalizing

# Climate Change-related Campus Actions

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- While a Green Campus Action Plan will include many elements (see *ISE's 13 Steps Toward Campus Sustainability*), the energy-related initiatives (conservation, purchase of renewable energy, transportation, green buildings) are the measures in that Action Plan that will have the greatest impact on greenhouse gas reduction efforts on campus.

# GHG Inventory

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- Develop a campus GHG Inventory to determine where emissions are occurring and to establish a baseline from which GHG reductions can be measured
- Clean Air - Cool Planet can provide software & assistance to help compile a GHG inventory  
[www.cleanair-coolplanet.org/for\\_campuses.php](http://www.cleanair-coolplanet.org/for_campuses.php)
- Information compiled can also be used to analyze energy usage on campus



# ENERGY STAR program

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- US EPA has developed tools & resources designed to assist the college & university sector

[www.energystar.gov/highered](http://www.energystar.gov/highered)

- This website includes information on showcase dorm rooms, (computer) monitor power management, purchasing & procurement of energy-efficient products and online training & presentations



# Rebuild America program

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- US DOE's Rebuild America program provides guidance on how to improve facilities, energy technologies & approaches, how to benchmark current & future energy performance and how to demonstrate the savings potential for individual campuses & university systems. Assistance can also be provided to make already-planned and financed projects achieve as much energy improvement as possible.

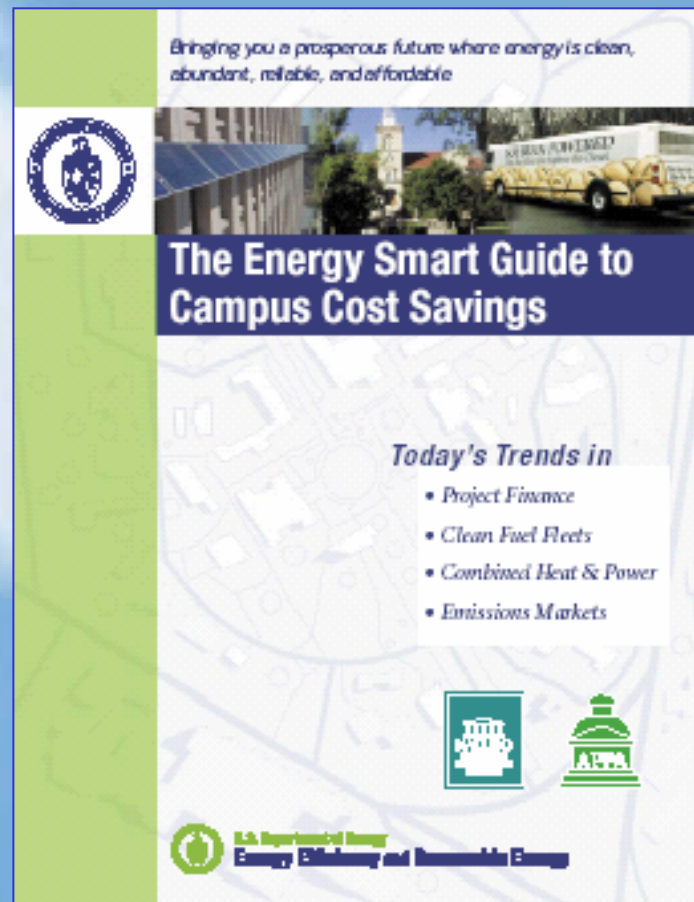
[www.rebuild.org/sectors/col\\_uni.asp](http://www.rebuild.org/sectors/col_uni.asp)

# US DOE Publication

- *The Energy Smart Guide to Campus Cost Savings*

available online at

[www.nrel.gov/docs/fy03osti/34291.pdf](http://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy03osti/34291.pdf)

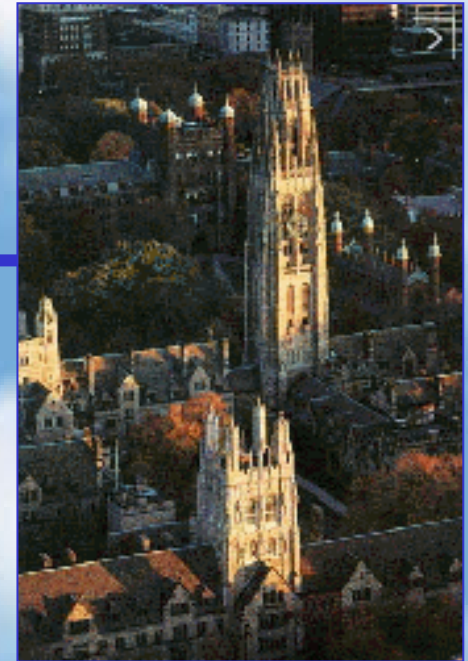


# Existing Campus Programs

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Numerous campuses have already launched substantial green campus / climate change efforts. Following are just a few examples:

- Harvard Green Campus Initiative  
[www.greencampus.harvard.edu/index.php](http://www.greencampus.harvard.edu/index.php)
- SUNY Buffalo's UB Green program  
<http://wings.buffalo.edu/ubgreen>
- Tufts Climate Initiative  
[www.tufts.edu/tie/tci/TCIMenu.html](http://www.tufts.edu/tie/tci/TCIMenu.html)





# National Wildlife Federation

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- NWF has established a Campus Ecology program designed to help transform the nation's college campuses into living models of an ecologically sustainable society  
[www.nwf.org/campusecology](http://www.nwf.org/campusecology)
- NWF also compiles a Campus Environmental Yearbook that highlights environmental initiatives being implemented at colleges & universities across the country  
[www.nwf.org/campusEcology/dspYearbook.cfm](http://www.nwf.org/campusEcology/dspYearbook.cfm)

# USLF / Talloires Declaration

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- The Association of University Leaders for a Sustainable Future (ULSF) is the Secretariat for signatories of the **Talloires Declaration**, a ten-point action plan committing institutions to sustainability & environmental literacy in teaching and practice. Over 300 university presidents and chancellors in more than 40 countries have signed the Declaration. More information on the Talloires Declaration can be found at [www.ulsf.org/programs\\_talloires.html](http://www.ulsf.org/programs_talloires.html)



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# Green Campus E-mail List

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- A **CT-Green-Campus-Exchange** listserve has been established to facilitate communication between Connecticut campuses.
- Join by sending an e-mail to [CT-Green-Campus-Exchange@yahoogroups.com](mailto:CT-Green-Campus-Exchange@yahoogroups.com) or by signing up at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/CT-Green-Campus-Exchange>

# Upcoming Event

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- Connecticut Green Building Council's *Meeting the Challenges of Sustainable Buildings on Campuses*
- Tuesday, Nov. 4, 2003 @ University of Hartford
- For more information, go to [www.ctgbc.org/events.htm](http://www.ctgbc.org/events.htm)