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Introduction

- Sustainable campus is a class dedicated to learning about how we can make our community a more environmentally friendly place.

- Our mission

- What we have seen on our Sustainability based tours
  Rustic Roots, Maine Beer Shed, Flagstaff, Farmington Compost, Garden, B.H.P

- Why we are here
The Methods

Class field trips/tours:
- Flagstaff Hut
- Maine Beer Shed
- Thrifty Beaver
- Rustic Roots Farm
- UMF Dining Hall
- Farmington Compost
- B.H.P

Personal Observations:
- Recycling
- Pre-Covid Reflection

Online sources:
- Journal articles
- News coverage
- College websites
Our Findings

- Building renovations
- Oil Usage
- Composting
- Recycling
- Biomass Heating plant
Recycling Finds

- Students monitored Mallet, Scott North, and Stone recycling bins
- Lack of bins
- Inconvenient and/or hidden bins
- Overflow and Mixing due to not emptying bins
- Minimal education and signs
What Professors Currently are thinking about Campus

“We are moving in the right direction, with the Biomass Heating Plant and LEED certified buildings, which is good moving away from fossil fuels.” - Professor Hardy

“I think there are some things that we do really really well..., especially in terms of heating and cooling.” - Professor Daly

“We have maintained a single stream recycling program,...and have reduced our greenhouse gas emissions by over 30% since 2010.” - Professor Kellet
Our Proposals

- Better with recycling
- Revive trash day event
- Composting in dorms
- Go-Go Refill
- More Organization
Trash Day

Reviving Trash day to educate the people on the correct way to recycle and dispose of their trash.
Go-Go Refill

What is Go-Go Refill?

What would this improve on campus?
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Questions?
Thank you for taking time out of the meeting time to hear about the findings we found about sustainability on our campus and proposals we have to make our campus more sustainable.