

B & G being Green

Save Energy, Save "OUR" Environment

Buildings and Grounds, B & G being Green, has committed to making a difference at our College and for our environment.

Working with the NY Power Authority, our electricity provider, we have committed to reducing energy use on our Campus. Currently, we have been able to commit to a Peak Load Management Program for the summer months.

Soon you will see posters, emails along with students and staff supporting simple things that everyone can do to help make a difference, like closing a window shade or shutting off a light on a sunny day.

To simply put it:

Energy reduction = less carbon and green house gas emissions released into "Our" atmosphere.

What more can we say about climate change? We are living through it now. Worldwide suffering from disasters of such magnitude as the recent earthquakes and Tsunami in Japan, the earthquake in Haiti, Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans or if we really want to get close to home the tornado, at Queens College on September 16, 2010.

B & G being Green Plan

- Buildings & Grounds, B & G being Green's website is where you will be kept informed on all of the materials we use, what we are doing related to water saving efforts, what we recycle and how much, the trees being planted and many other updates with featured stories about what "WE" are doing to be Green.
- Queens College has a 10 Year sustainability plan, available for all to view located at <http://www.qc.cuny.edu/about/sustainability/>. Within this Plan, B & G being Green will be coming forward with our immediate plan and actions supporting the Campus efforts.
- We will have meaningful comparisons over a period of time letting all on Campus know what our Kilowatt savings were for each quarter. What does this Energy savings mean? Energy savings are converted into a number we can relate to in tons of Carbon Monoxide we have saved the atmosphere, ideally reducing Queens College's carbon footprint.
- Our Agreement with NYPA, along with our success on this conservation plan, may create incentives for us to continue "Green" campus projects despite our current State budget & funding constraints.
- As part of our plan, we will be facilitating information to the Queens College Community, Students, Faculty and Staff.
- In the end, our goal is to build a more diverse sustainability community, along with Student Organizations NYPIRG and the Environmental Club, we ask for everyone to support our efforts. "WE" are so proud of our College, and together, we really can make a difference.

Visit us at <https://myqc.qc.cuny.edu/AdminServices/BuildingsAndGrounds/beingGreen/default.aspx>

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