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# Sustainability at Mt. SAC

The three pillars of sustainability are **PEOPLE**, **PLANET**, and **PROSPERITY**.

## A Summer In Sustainability

Mounties! We congratulate you on all your hard work this semester and as finals week quickly approaches and the semester comes to a close, we would like to take the opportunity and share some wonderful opportunities in sustainability and climate action this summer. A summer hiatus is a perfect chance to explore your passion for our planet while gaining hands-on and tangible experience in the field. Opportunities are bountiful for both staff and students looking to incorporate sustainability in their lives and professions!



# For Faculty

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## The Los Angeles Extreme Weather & Coastal Forum

Join the Los Angeles Regional Collaborative for Climate Action and Sustainability (LARC) and USC Sea Grant for a collaborative workshop and a day of networking with environmental and coastal practitioners, Thursday, June 11, 2026 from 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM at the USC Michelson Center for Convergent Bioscience (MCB) Room 101. As Southern California faces more frequent heatwaves and destructive fires, the need for interdisciplinary approaches and creative solutions is imperative. To dig into these connections, sessions will cover:

- Heat Relief & Equity: Understanding the impact of extreme heat on coastal visitation and ensuring public knowledge of coastal access rights.
- Post-Fire Impacts: Examining how inland wildfires affect marine ecosystems and beach safety through runoff.
- Resilience Funding: Sharing resources on State grant programs to fund extreme heat and coastal adaptation investments.

Visit their [event page](#) for more information and to register for FREE.



# Sustainable Environment Institute (SEI) Curriculum Resource Library

The Sustainable Environment Institute (SEI) is a faculty-led, district-wide initiative dedicated to advancing environmental sustainability across the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD). We welcome you to visit their online [resource library](#) with curriculum material free and ready for use! This resource page is currently in its early stages and represents the beginning of a transformative effort to make sustainability a living part of education across the Los Angeles Community College District. It recognizes all disciplines, from English and Political Science to Graphic Design and Business, and provides insights and ways to address the climate crisis. This is a wonderful resource for professional development and the integration of environmental equity into every classroom. •



## For Students



## FIFA World Cup - Metrolink Volunteer Opportunity

Metrolink is looking for volunteers in supporting the World Cup events across the greater Los Angeles region, to support increased ridership for game days, fan zones, and regional watch parties to help create a smooth

and welcoming experience for riders. Volunteer roles include supporting riders at various stations, helping guide riders to the correct platforms, assisting with ticketing, and providing general support to ensure a positive experience for everyone traveling to and from events.

As a thank you, all volunteers will receive:

- A Metrolink volunteer shirt

- A complimentary mobile 5-Day Flex Pass (in addition to a day of ticket, if needed)

- A thank you bag

- Community service hours, if applicable

**\*\*All volunteers must be 18 years or older**

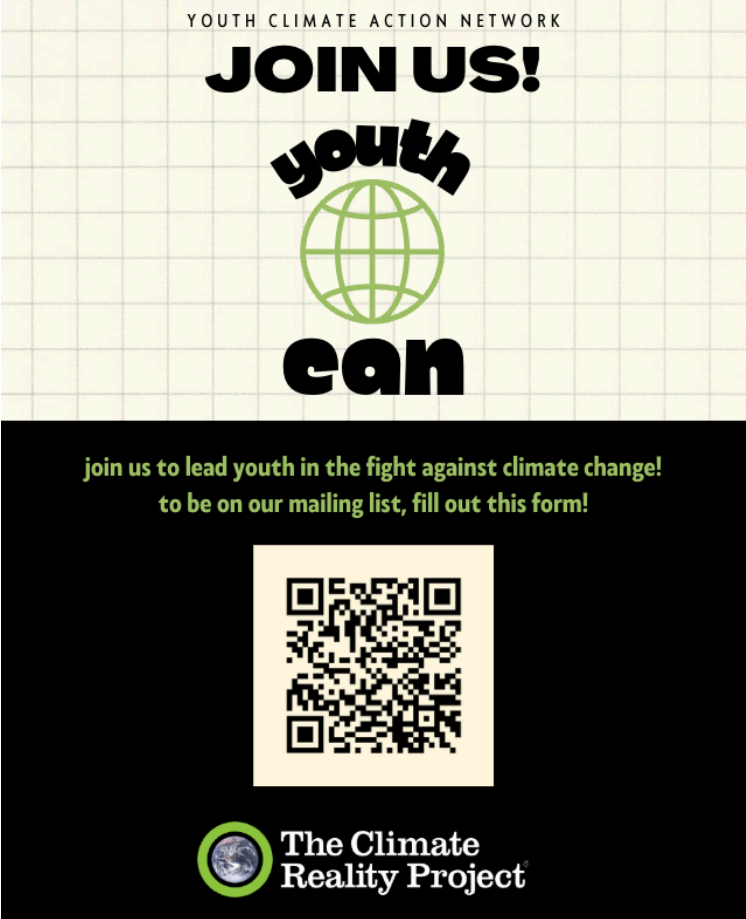
Find more information on the [FIFA website!](#)



## Youth Climate Action Network

The LA Climate Reality Project, Youth Climate Action Network (YCAN) aims to connect youth nationwide for collaboration and inspiration. It also promotes viable climate-related careers for youth to consider. A zoom meeting will be held with more information on Sunday, July 19, 2026 from

8:00 PM 9:00 PM. You can find more information at the [Climate Reality Project Website](#) and use their direct [zoom link](#).



# Sustainability Spotlight



## Student Sustainability Awards Contest

The Mt. SAC Student Sustainability Awards Contest application due date has been extended! This contest encourages students from all disciplines to develop solutions that promote sustainability. The top 5 submissions are eligible for awards of up to \$500. Individuals, groups, and student clubs may enter. Submissions should address environmental challenges, social equity, or economic viability—whether on campus or in the broader society—by fostering innovative approaches to a more sustainable future. Visit the Mt. SAC Sustainability Awards Contest [webpage](#) for submission instructions and details. New submission deadline date will be posted soon!



# Sustainability Living



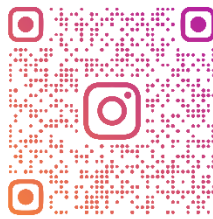
# 2026-27 California Climate Action Corps Fellowship

The California Climate Action Corps Fellowship is a national service program led by California Volunteers and implemented by Bay Area Community Resources dedicated to advancing climate actions that engage community members, cultivate change, and leave a lasting impact. Fellowship placements range from working in multiple specialties and with local organizations to mobilize communities through climate volunteer engagement, climate action and education service projects focused on urban greening, organic waste and edible food recovery, and wildfire resiliency. Benefits include:

- Up to \$35,250 Living Allowance (before taxes) spread evenly over 11 months.
- Combined \$10,000 Segal Education Award and California for All Education Award (upon completion of service term).
- Forbearance on existing qualifying student loans and payment of interest accrued during service.
- Childcare assistance for qualifying Fellows, paid to an eligible provider of their choice.
- SNAP (Food Stamps) – for those eligible.
- Professional development benefit of up to \$300 for aligned training or conferences.

Applications are open up until July 31st, 2026. The fellowship runs from September 21st, 2026 - August 13th, 2027. Find out more on [CCAC Website!](#)

If you are interested in signing up for our new sustainability campus tours, please reach out to [Lauren Greenberg](#) directly.



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