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Sustainability at Mt. SAC

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

Greetings!

As the crisp autumn air settles in and we reflect on the changing seasons, it's a great time to pause and consider how we can all contribute to a more sustainable future. This month, we're excited to share fresh ideas, eco-friendly tips, and inspiring stories to help you make a positive impact on the planet.

For Faculty

Embedding Sustainability into Your Curriculum

Winter Semester 2025

The next “Embedding Sustainability Into Your Curriculum” training will be offered in Winter 2025. Please consider becoming part of the growing number of faculty who earn “leaf” designation for courses on the course schedule. You can earn up to 16 hours of PGI/6 PGH! Training will be offered via Zoom and will include synchronous and asynchronous components as well as one hybrid meeting. Please see the dates below and register on the [POD Connect calendar](#). For more information, please contact Lauren Greenberg at: lgreenberg1@mtsac.edu



New Climate Change Teaching Resources

CFR Education from the Council on Foreign Relations is releasing a comprehensive library of accurate, accessible, and authoritative teaching and learning resources on climate change and its implications for global issues and foreign policy. Explore these free resources and their accompanying teaching materials by visiting the [CFR Education website](#).



For Students

Native American Indigenous Heritage Month Events

Native American and Indigenous Heritage Month, celebrated each November, honors the rich cultures, traditions, and contributions of Native Americans and Indigenous peoples while raising awareness of their ongoing struggles. It offers an opportunity for all people to learn about the diverse Native nations that have lived on the lands now known as the United States for thousands of years, well before the arrival of European settlers. Originating in the early 20th century and officially designated in 1990, the month recognizes the resilience and cultural heritage of Indigenous communities. Through educational programs and cultural events, the month addresses important issues like sovereignty, environmental justice, and language preservation, ensuring Indigenous voices are heard and valued in broader cultural conversations.

For a listing of events, please visit the [FPNC website](#).



Basic Needs Fresh Food Pantry

Students, you have resources available for your consideration through Basic Needs for the holidays. The [Mountie Fresh Food Pantry](#) is located in 67A-103. They will operate the 2nd and 4th week of the month*. Subscribe to our newsletter to stay updated! We are committed to providing supplemental food resources to enrolled Mt. SAC students. If you are in need of any accommodations, please contact us at least 5 days in advance. If you have any questions regarding the Mountie Fresh Food Pantry, please email mountiefresh@mtsac.edu



Metrolink Student Adventure Pass, Foothill GoPass, and GoSGV

Ongoing

Start off fresh this Spring by traveling sustainably. Consider one of these stress-free and environmentally friendly transportation options:

- Metrolink provides FREE rides for students anywhere in California. [The Student Adventure Pass](#) makes it easier to connect to opportunities and experiences throughout SoCal, by train for free.
- The [GoPass](#) is an expanded version of the Class Pass. It allows Mt. SAC students to ride public transit for free, whether it's for school, work or fun.
- Are you a resident of the San Gabriel Valley? Discover the joys of riding an e-bike! Sign up with [GoSGV](#) for access to a deeply discounted e-bike!

A promotional graphic for Metrolink and GoSGV. The left side features a woman wearing a yellow helmet and a grey shirt, riding a white e-bike. The background is a bright blue and yellow wave pattern. The right side shows a black and teal Metrolink train with the number 686. The text 'EXPLORE SOCAL WITH METROLINK AND GO ⚡SGV!' is prominently displayed. Below this, it says 'What is Go SGV? An affordable monthly membership e-bike share program for SGV residents.' followed by two bullet points: 'Discounts available!' and 'Keep your e-bike at home'. A white box states 'GO SGV MEMBERS RECEIVE A FREE ROUNDTRIP METROLINK TICKET!'. At the bottom, there are logos for GoSGV, Mt. SAC, and a globe icon, along with the website 'GoSGV.com' and email 'info@gosgv.com'. A small caption at the bottom right reads 'Image Source: Metrolink instagram'.

Mt. SAC 2035 Student Conditions for Success Survey

The Fall season represents a time of planning for the future. As we develop Mt.SAC's Education Facilities Comprehensive Plan, we look to our amazing students to lend their insight as we look ahead. Students, we want to hear from you! What makes you feel comfortable, supported, and successful at Mt.SAC? Please consider participating in this online survey to ensure that your voice is heard!



Sustainability Spotlight

Sustainable Giving

To continue to raise awareness of the contributions and continued presence of Native American and Indigenous peoples of the region, please consider supporting Mt.SAC's First Peoples Native Center through Mt.SAC Foundation's ['Giving Tuesday'](#).



Please also consider a donation to Mt. SAC's Basic Needs program to help provide food resources, housing referrals and case-management support. Visit the [Basic Needs Donation page](#) to make your contribution.



Sustainability Living

Sustainable Holiday Celebrations

Try these tips for a more memorable and [sustainable Thanksgiving](#).





Check out [Mt.SAC Sustainability](#) for more information!

