

Sustainability Committee

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Agenda

- I. Introductions
- II. Sustainability Updates & Events
- III. Sustainability Office Update
- IV. Subcommittee Update
- V. Committee Bylaws Update
- VI. Committee Member Updates/Open forum
- VII. Next meeting

Introductions

- I. Name
- II. UH Affiliation
- III. Summer plans?

Sustainability Updates & Events

- Bayou Greenway Day – April 29
- New Student Orientations
- Vegan Feast at Cougar Place- May 2nd
- Ongoing Monthly Garden Volunteer Opportunities
- Farm to Work Program – Fridays 3-4pm pickups

Farm to Work



**Where the farmer's market comes
to you!**

Farm to Work

Farm to Work (FTW) provides pre-ordered, fresh and locally grown produce to the University of Houston employees and students while promoting healthy eating and sustainability habits.



Plant It Forward



- The farms are designed to help refugees who have landed in Houston learn how to make a living wage through farming.
- Plant It Forward provides these farmers with a 12 month training program for organic and sustainable farming and then teaches them how to make a living wage selling their crops.

Extra Benefits

- All of the produce is grown using organic (no pesticides!) and sustainable farming practices.
- There are no order minimums. Order as often, or as little, as you like.
- There is a trade basket available at all sites that allows you to trade out items you may not like as much as other produce.



How the Program Works

- Saturday/Sunday – The farmers update the produce list for the week based on growth and weather predictions.
- Monday – The customers are sent an email with the list for the week and the link to the ordering website where they can place their orders. All produce must be pre-ordered and paid online by credit card only.
- Wednesday – The customers are sent a second “Last Call” email.
- Wednesday - The website stops taking orders at noon for the current week.
- Friday – Delivery Day! Soft launch Friday, April 21st. Bring your own bag.
- University of Houston - \$25.00 per share for 7-9 produce items.
- If you do not pick up your share during the time of pick up, the cost will be donated back to the farmer and produce will be donated to the volunteers. However, others can pick up your produce in your place with proof of purchase.

Resources & Information

- Ordering website:
 - uh.edu/ftworders
- A email receipt & confirmation of purchase will be sent.
- Friday – Delivery Day from 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm. Bring your own bag.

THIS WEEK'S BASKET:
For \$20, Lightway Farms will deliver a basket for pickup in 8 days on Jun 08, 2016. It will include some or all of the following:
- Peaches - Yellow Summer Squash - EDS Sweet Onion - Cabbage - Savoy - Beets
- Potatoes - New

Order for pickup in 8 days on Jun 08, 2016:
1 * basket(x)
minimum 5 per order TOTAL: \$20

Contact:
First Name: [input] Last Name: [input]
Phone Number: [input] Cell Phone: [input]

Billing: [I have a discount code](#)
Credit Card Number: [input] Exp Date: Month [input] Year [input] Card Security Code: [input] What's this?

Pickup:
I am aware of the following:
- Pickup date(s)/time(s) for this order is Jun 08, 2016 the front of the Student Services Building (300 West Down Houston Street) from 11:55am - 12:15pm.
- Unclaimed produce will not be available for pick up at a later time and that no credit or refund will be issued for unclaimed orders because there is no on-

TOTAL: \$20
[Place Order Now](#)

[CLOSE](#)

Location

- **Welcome Center– Westside
(Across from the Hilton Parking Garage)**
- Pick-up of produce will be every Friday from 3:00 - 4:00 pm hosted by the Office of Sustainability.
- If you must drive to the location, employees are encouraged to park in the Welcome Center Parking Garage. (First 30 min. free)
- Entrance to Parking Garage – **use Calhoun visitor entrance**



Volunteer Information

- Meet at 2:00 pm on Friday at the Office of Sustainability
- Set up bin includes:
 - 2 Tables
 - Table cloth (2), burlap
 - Table Signage
 - List of shares with clip board
 - Pens, gloves, hand sanitizer
 - A-frame signage (2)
- Volunteers will help with set up and break down
- Volunteer will check off consumer pick up and will provide each produce item to consumer



Questions?



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Office of Sustainability Update

Consultant

- Goal: Develop strategic plan that addresses office structure and funding
- Time frame over summer

Projects and other budgeted items currently on hold

Subcommittee Updates

- Progress on bike policy
- Discussion of bike resale program (possibly this summer)
- Division of policies
- Need for additional leads of policies

Subcommittee Updates

Policies

- [MAPP 03.02.02 – Campus Mail Services](#) (Sally Rowland and Deborah Davis)- Melissa
- [MAPP 04.05.02 – Cougar Cards](#) (Deborah Davis)- Melissa
- [MAPP 03.01.05 – Posting Flyer Information on Outside University Kiosks](#) -Jennifer Rea
- [MAPP 04.01.08 – Historically Underutilized Businesses](#) (Maya Thornton)- Jennifer Rea
- [MAPP 07.01.04 – Disposition of Lost and Found Personal Property](#) (Cindy Granier)- Jennifer Rea/Stephanie Coates

- [**MAPP 04.01.01 – Purchase of Goods, Materials and Supplies through the Purchasing Department**](#) (Mike Glisson)
- [**MAPP 07.02.02 – Tobacco-Free Campus Policy**](#) (Floyd Robinson/Lauri Ruiz)
- [**MAPP 04.01.03 – Vouchers**](#) (Mike Glisson)
- [**MAPP 05.02.02 – Official Functions and Discretionary Expenditures**](#) (Mike Glisson)
- [**MAPP 03.03.01 – Property Management Overview**](#) (Karin Livingston)
- [**MAPP 10.03.06 – College/Division Responsibilities for Information Technology Resources**](#) (Jana Chvatal)

Update re:Vote on Sustainability Committee Bylaws

Approved!

Committee Updates/Open Forum

Next Meeting

TBD