

December 2018

SLC Footprint

Monthly Theme: Sustainable Shopping

"Every time you spend money you are casting a vote for what kind of world you want to live it"- Anna Lappe



Thrifty is Nifty!

Thrift Stores in your City!

- Kingston Talize Value Village Phase 2 Goodway The Salvation Army Clothes For Cash-Kingston
- Brockville Second Time Around Salvation Army May Court Thrift Shop The Score
- Cornwall Value Village The Salvation Army Agape Centre Thrift Shop Echo Trends

What is Sustainable Shopping?

To be a Sustainable shopper, we need to recognize that everything we buy has health, environmental and social impact. Sustainable shopping is your chance to support with your wallet what is important to you and avoid products and services that do not align with your beliefs.

Buy Less, Buy Better, Buy Local.

A recent study estimated that every year 100 million tonnes of new textiles come onto the market globally and with only a tiny percentage of clothing that is worn 100 to 200 times. We are buying more and throwing away more too. Not only is this bad news for the environment, but it also means that in a bid to create cheaper clothes to meet our desire for newness, companies look to locate factories in places where they operate more cheaply at factory level (Carvell, 2018).

How you can be a Sustainable Shopper?

Choose Reusable Gift Wrapping Paper

Did you know the normal gift wrapping paper is not recyclable? Choose to wrap with reusable paper, cloth or reusable bags to create a happier more sustainable gift that can then be used for future gifts!

BYOB-Bring Your Own Bag!

Choose to eliminate plastic bags from your shopping trip by bringing your own reusable bags which will make the planet a cleaner and happier place for the holidays!

Buy Nothing- Make Something!

You can choose to save money while making something for your loved ones! Follow this ink to get easy-to-make recipes for holiday gifts! http://www.makesomething.ca/

#DonatenotLandfill

A staggering 85% of our collective apparel ends up in landfills...that's over 10.5 million tons of clothing according to second-hand store Value Village. Most of this waste is not recovered for recycling like other waste. It's among the lowest on the recycling rung right near food waste and wood!

You can choose to eliminate this waste by voting with your wallet and buying from ethical fashion brands or thrift shopping! Donating your clothes to thrift stores or shelters offers a convenient and sustainable alternative to ensure you are helping the planet!

Ethical Fashion

The majority of trends and styles from the big name designers on the runway, are often utilized by fashion conscious individuals at a low price. Although this enables one to access fashion cheaply, it has a negative effect on the environment and for those creating the garments. These effects include contaminating lakes and rivers surrounding factories in other countries.

Ethical Fashion considers the materials used, how the garment is made and who is making it, in order to be ethical without compromising on quality. Ethical fashion or slow fashion aims to decrease the speed of production, consumption and disposing of by placing greater appreciation on one's purchase. Carefully considering an acquisition, connecting with clothes instead of having another addition to the wardrobe which may be only worn for one occasion



December 4th to December 7th from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM in the cafeteria CICE students will be collecting men's, women's, and infant's socks for SOCKS Kingston!

For every sock donation you will receive a candy cane!



Santa's Little Helpers!-Kingston Campus

Donate non-perishable food items and any cash donations you can at the cafeteria from December 10th to the 14th in the Cafeteria and support our Enactus team and the community! On Friday December 14th get pictures with Santa for \$2 from a professional photographer!

Courage with DR Congo

Buy your gifts this holiday season with social sustainability and empowerment by supporting the women of the Tchukudu Women's Training Centre! Shop online or see them at the pop-up store on Kingston campus until December 7th! www.couragecongo.com





Have you been looking for the new Indigenous Gathering Center in Kingston? They are located on the first floor in the new building! Don't let the remaining bit of construction keep you from visiting!

Tri-Campus E-Waste!

Each campus is now a permanent e-waste drop-off site with our new partnership with Ontario Electronic Stewardship! The drop-off sites are in I.T Services for Kingston and Brockville and the Advanced Computing Lab in Cornwall!

Winter Coat Drive Results

Great work Kingston Campus on donating 74 winter items which have been collected and distributed at the Student Association, Hotel Dieu, and the Goodway! This raises the total amount of clothing donated in the past years to 245!

Clothing Swap Kingston Campus!

December 11th from 12:00-2:00 pm the Green Team will be running a clothing swap in the Innovation Hub! Bring clothes that you can swap with other students and faculty and learn about the impact clothing has on the environment!

Annual Friends of Pottery Sale! Brockville Campus!

On December 6th & 7th from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM in room 250 the Ceramics program will have one-of-a-kind handmade pottery items on sale which make a great gift for the holidays!

Cornwall & Brockville- Student Jobs Available!

Cornwall and Brockville will now have a Sustainability Marketing Assistant at each campus! Apply here to create sustainable impact on your campus!

http://www.stlawrencecollege.ca/work-at-slc/jobs-for-current-students/current-jobs/



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