



Undergraduate Student Government, Kent Campus

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Resolution to Mandate Recycling Training for Resident Assistants

Whereas, Recycling is important because of the immense damage waste has on the environment.

Whereas, Single-stream recycling was first introduced in the late 1990s as a way to simplify the recycling process.

Whereas, Because of the confusion generated from single stream-recycling some estimates say that around 25% of recycling is contaminated because of incorrect knowledge of what can be recycled.

Whereas, To offset this on our campus a solution is to have the resident assistants be trained in how to properly recycle, and they in return could train their residents.

Whereas, This aligns with Residence Services' Core Value of Responsible Decision Making which states, "we aim to be good stewards of our resources, and responsible citizens of the university as well as local, regional, and global societies. We are dedicated to the efficient and effective use of resources,"

Whereas, The training can be as simple as showing the videos on Recycling, Electronic Waste Recycling, and Waste Removal on the Kent State Sustainability website.

Whereas, Though the training of Resident Assistants already cover a wide arrangement of topics, recycling training would be beneficial to include.

Therefore, Let it be resolved by the Undergraduate Student Government, Kent Campus, acting in full session, that Undergraduate Student Government:

1. Expresses its support for the implementation of a mandated recycling training programs for resident assistants.
2. Requests that a copy of this resolution be sent to Jill Jenkins, Executive Director of Residence Services, Stephen Craig, Assistant Director: Staffing and Training, Kevin Mowers, Director of Residence Life, and Melanie Knowles, Manager of Sustainability.

