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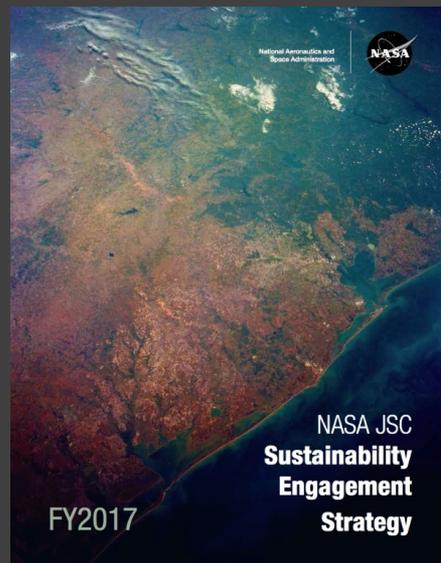
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FY2017 Sustainability Engagement Strategy Is Here!

The Sustainability Engagement Strategy maps out the next year's plan to improve sustainable practices at JSC based on targets outlined in Executive Order 13693. From this report you will get insight about collaborative and individual actions you can take to contribute to the sustainability of JSC.



Signed, Sealed & Delivered: Paris Agreement Enters Into Force

The [Paris Climate Agreement](#) will enter into force on November 4, 2016, 30 days after at least 55 parties representing 55% of global GHG emissions joined the agreement. "Entering into force" means that the agreement elements will become binding for the countries that joined.

Upcoming Events

Nov. 12th –

[Run In The Park](#)

Join the Hermann Park Conservancy for the 13th annual Run in the Park! The run consists of a 5K run/walk, a 1K kids' fun run, and post-race party in Molly Ann Smith Plaza.
Starts at 8:00AM

Nov. 12th –

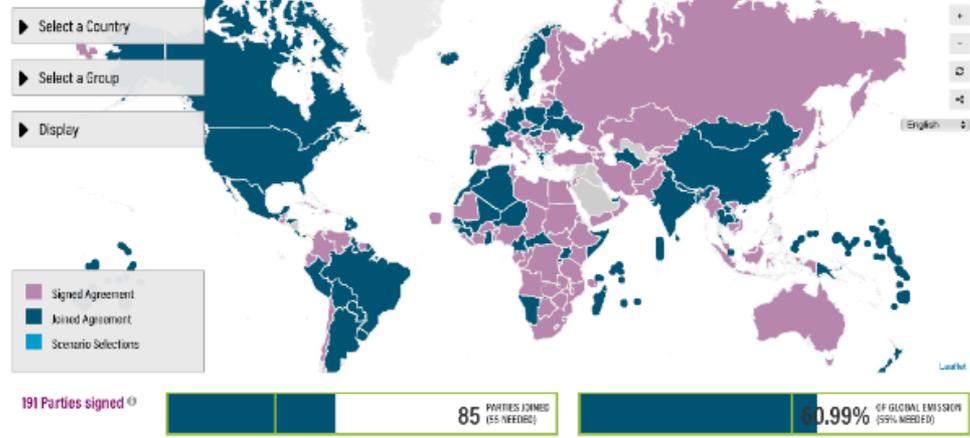
[Pearland Recycles Day](#)

Keep Pearland Beautiful will host Pearland Recycles Day at the Stella Roberts Recycling Center (5800 Magnolia St, 77584). They will take all normally accepted items, with the addition of car and light truck tires and mattresses (this day only).
9:00AM – 1:00PM

Nov. 12th & 13th –

[Martyn Farm Harvest Festival](#)

Come join us down on the Martyn Farm as we travel



JSC Update: Energy Saving Competition Winners

Mall Area Winner

The winner of the mall area was Building 12! Building 12 was able to reduce their electric energy consumption by 14.1% from the June and July baseline. Employees achieved this reduction by implementing energy saving practices.

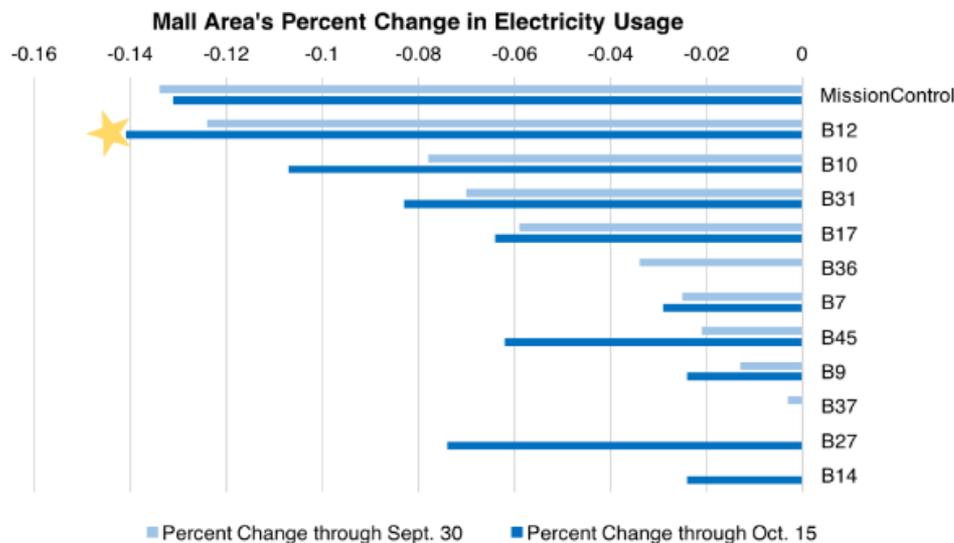


Figure 1: The final top energy savers within the mall area. Please visit the [JSC Green Team](#) website for the full dataset.

back in time to the end of the 19th century during our 36th annual Martyn Farm Harvest Festival.

10:00AM – 4:00PM

Nov. 15th –

[Green Team Meeting](#)

Formed in 2010, the Green Team meets once per month, and facilitates fun and educational events and activities. The Green Team focuses on creating positive behavior changes in people.

2:00PM – 3:00PM

Building 12, Room 152

Nov. 15th –

[America Recycles Day](#)

The national recycling rate has increased over the past 30 years. Currently, the recycling rate is 34%. Find out more and learn how you can start in recycling more.

Ongoing Events

Every 2nd Monday –

[Houston Urban Gardeners](#)

Come to the meetings to learn how to grow your own food and find fresh, local produce.

Starts at 6:30PM

Multiservice Center, 1475 W. Gray, Houston

Every Tuesday –

[Sheldon Lake Prairie Restoration](#)

Come enjoy nature and help restore the prairie.

11:00AM – 1:00PM

Sheldon Lake State Park, 14140 Garrett Road, Houston, TX 77044

FREE

Every Wednesday –

[Nassau Bay Farmer's Market](#)

Enjoy organic produce and other products!

3:00PM – 6:00PM

Every 1st Saturday –

Outlying Area Winner

The winner of the outlying area for the Energy Competition was Building 321. Building 321 reduced their electric energy consumption by 24.7% over a ten week period.

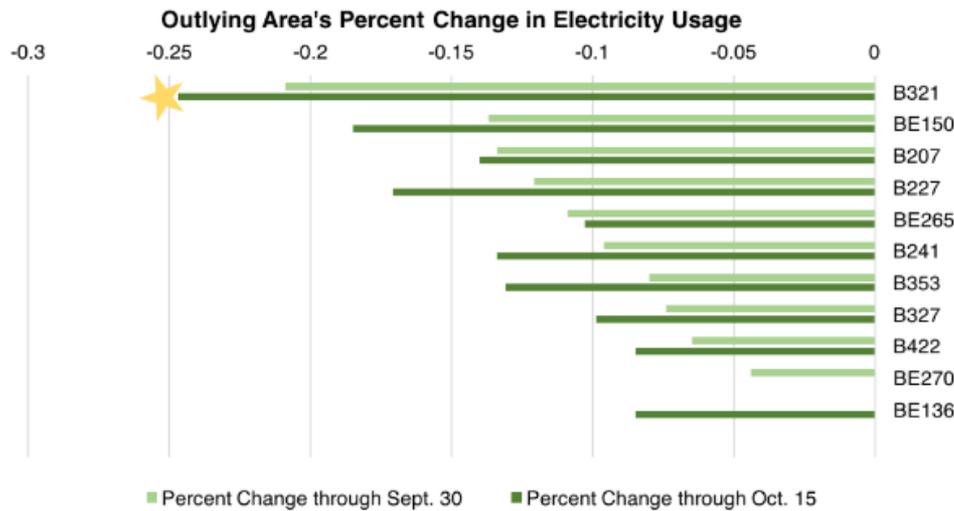
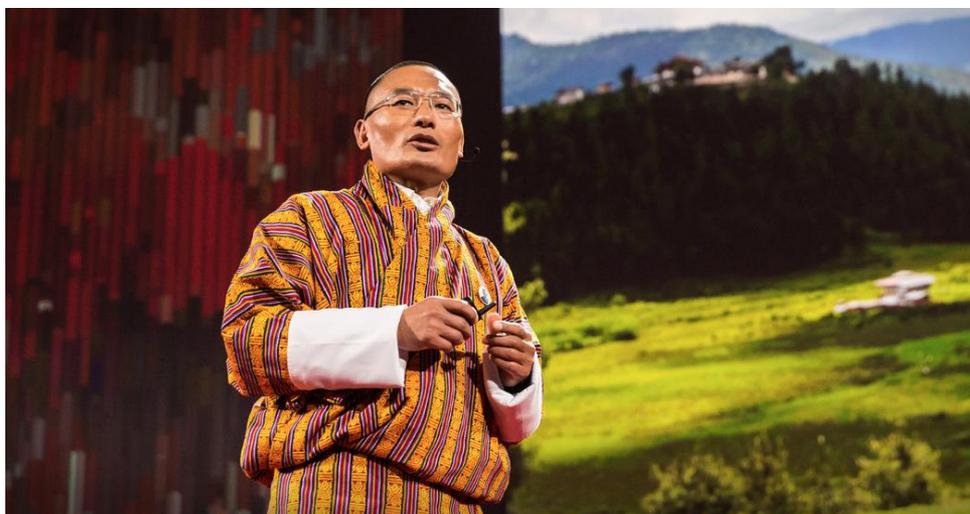


Figure 2: The final top energy savers within the outlying area. Please visit the [JSC Green Team](#) website for the full dataset.

The Carbon Negative Country of Bhutan



Learn how a small county in the Himalayas promises to remain carbon neutral. Bhutan promotes the idea of Gross National Happiness, which strives for development with values.

America Recycles, Do You?

November 15th is

Nature Nurture Series

10:00AM – 12:00PM
Baytown Nature Center
FREE

Every 2nd Saturday– Guided Canoe Trip

Come on a guided canoe trip around the bayou. Reservations are required. Please call 713-274-2688.
8:00AM – 11:00AM
Armand Bayou Nature Center

Every 1st Sunday – Bayou Bikers

25 to 40 mile bike ride around beautiful Houston. Starts at 8:00AM
FREE

Every 1st & 3rd Sunday –

Free Day in Nature

Hike the trails (guides available) and view the prairie, forest, marshes, and reptiles on display.
12:00PM – 5:00PM
Armand Bayou Nature Center

Class Times May Vary – EcoClasses for Kids

EcoClasses are designed to be hands-on environmental education activities for children (Ages 18 months to 12). Please call 713-274-2668 to reserve your spot and check for current curriculum.
Armand Bayou Nature Center

Almost Every Day – Social Bike Rides

Looking for a group ride? BikeHouston is compiling a list of regular weekly group rides for new and experienced riders.

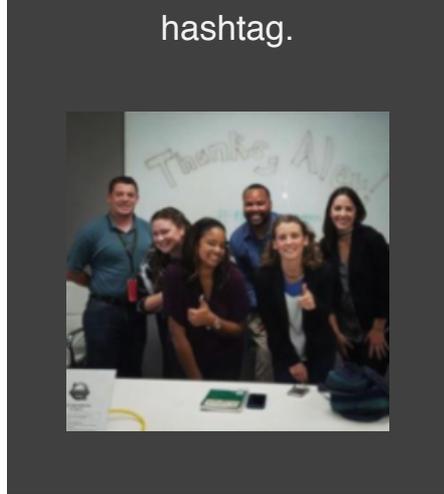
#NASAGoesGreen

We want to see your green inspired Instagram pictures!

Make sure to use our



[America Recycles Day](#). Find out how you can get involved and take the [#BeRecycled](#) pledge. Check out [Earth911](#) and the [iRecycle](#) app to easily locate recycling centers.



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Sustainability At JSC

“My goal as the JSC Center Operations Director is to create a working environment where JSC employees feel happy, comfortable, and productive to support our mission. Similarly, my vision for [sustainability](#) is that it’s something we don’t even think about; it’s ingrained in our thinking. We just do it.”



- Joel Walker, JSC Center Sustainability Officer

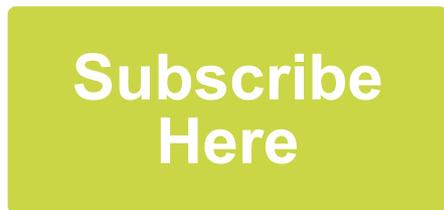
Answers: October Crossword

ACROSS

- 2. LightEmittingDiode
- 5. NewYork

DOWN

- 1. Four
- 2. Louisiana
- 3. Yellowstone
- 4. Forty



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According to [RecycleYourPlastics.org](#), plastic bottles are the most common plastic to be recycled at home.

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