



Community Grants Program

New York State Pollution Prevention Institute (NYSP2I) provides financial and technical support for projects that raise awareness and understanding of pollution prevention practices and lead to implementation at the local level

Greening Food Services –

SUNY Sullivan County Community College

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Project Description

SUNY Sullivan County Community College is a public community college established in 1962 by authority of the State University of New York (SUNY) and accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education. It has grown from a faculty of nine and a student body of 72 in its first year of operation, to a full-time and part-time enrollment of more than 1600 students in over 40 degree and certificate programs.

Greening Food Services works with state, regional and local stakeholders to raise awareness and understanding of strategies to reduce the environmental and health impacts of the food service industry. The program provides facility employees and employers with tools to assess and improve sustainability through practical operational practices that make business sense. The *Greening Food Services* project received funding from NYSP2I to:

- Raise awareness and understanding of strategies to reduce the environmental and health impacts of the food service industry.
- Provide food service leaders with the resources, knowledge and skills to: (1) assess their current sustainability performance and (2) develop and begin to implement a plan to improve the health, environmental quality and economic vitality of their operation or facility.
- Create new connections between the education partners and local employers that can be used as a foundation for continual improvements in facility performance.

Project Status

Greening Food Services is finalizing development of a 10-page overview guide on *Getting Started in Greening Food Services*. The guide will include information and tools that highlight ten questions that should be asked to get started in greening food services. The “answer” to each question will be in the form of a rubric or scale that will enable the reader to assess both where they are in their journey to sustainability and what steps to take next. NYSP2I will be posting on its website (www.nysp2i.rit.edu) the electronic version of the guide once complete.

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