

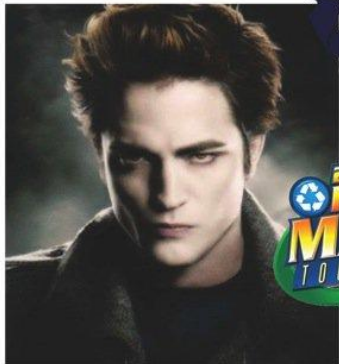
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**DO MY RECYCLING SKILLS DAZZLE YOU?  
EDWARD CULLEN NEVER PUTS TRASH IN THE  
RECYCLING BINS.**

*In the U.S., 4.39 pounds of trash per day and up to 56 tons of trash per year are created by the average person.*



*New York City alone throws out enough garbage each day to fill the Empire State Building.*

Everyone on campus scores points for New Paltz in the 10 week long national RecycleMania contest when they recycle.





It takes 20 MILLION trees and 12 BILLION gallons of water to produce the paper for the cups





OF COMPUTERS DISPOSED  
OF IN 2009, ONLY 38%  
WERE PROPERLY RECYCLED  
-EPA





**SUNY NEW PALTZ REUSE TO REDUCE 2014 !**



**APPROX. 4,500 LBS OF DONATIONS WERE COLLECTED DURING MOVE OUT WEEKEND!**





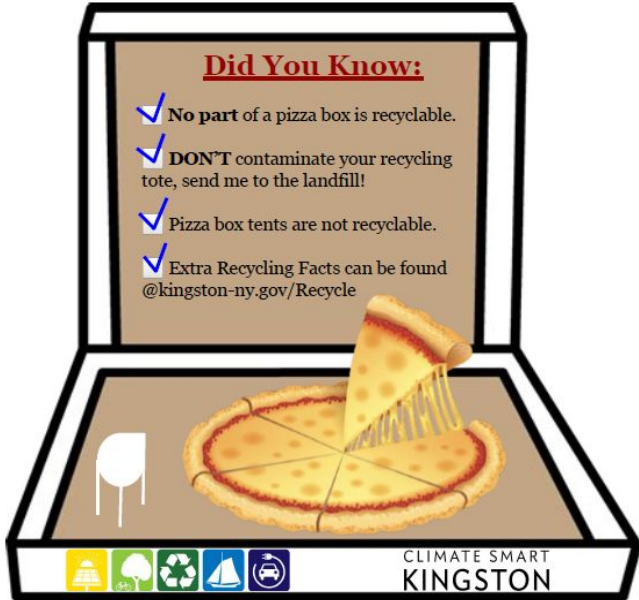
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# CLIMATE SMART KINGSTON

## The City of Kingston will become a Model Sustainable City by:

- Reducing overall energy consumption, improving air quality and the quality of life through energy efficiency, conservation and renewable energy
- Shifting to modes of transportation that are less dependent on fossil fuels
- Reducing waste
- Preparing for climate change
- Leading by example and inspiring others
- Maximizing economic opportunities for the local workforce
- Being inclusive of all sectors of the population





**Climate Smart Kingston**

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Pongo is here to help us kick off our pizza box campaign. Did you know that pizza boxes are NOT recyclable in the City of Kingston? Grease or no grease, your pizza boxes should be put in your brown (garbage) tote. In fact, here in Kingston, pizza boxes are one of the top three Recycling contaminants.

We've partnered with pizza places and pizza restaurants city wide to help us Educate our Community together. Look for one of our pizza fact stickers on your next take-out order (thanks to Pie for the People for being our first partner!)

How can you get involved?! During this campaign please help us spread the word with a photo or status pledge of you (or your pooch) throwing away your pizza box. Be sure you have liked and tag our Climate Smart Kingston Facebook page. We will randomly pick a winner to receive a free pizza!

#nonrecyclable #pizza facts See less

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Like Comment Share



Comment as Climate Smart Kingston





August, 2019: 12 volunteers sorted through \*everything\* collected from waste barrels at all 14 Kingston recreation areas the day before. About 1,300 pounds of it! WHY? To separate it all into 3 categories: --compostable organics (food scraps) --recyclables --and trash.

BECAUSE Kingston is looking for ways to reduce the number of truckloads of trash that go to the Seneca Meadows landfill 235 miles away. That is VERY expensive trash. But what if we could locally compost, say, a third of it instead? That would be BIG savings for the City! Stay tuned!





# City of Kingston Boards and Commissions:

- [Arts Commission](#)
- [Board of Assessment Review](#)
- [Civil Service Commission](#)
- [Climate Smart Kingston Commission](#)
- [Community Development Advisory Board](#)
- [Complete Streets Advisory Council](#)
- [Conservation Advisory Board](#)
- [Electrical Examiners Board](#)
- [Ethics Board](#)
- [Fire Commission](#)
- [Heritage Area Commission](#)
- [Historic Landmarks Preservation Commission](#)
- [Housing Task Force](#)
- [Human Rights Commission](#)
- [Kingston Housing Authority](#)
- [Kingston Local Development Corporation Board](#)
- [Live Well Kingston Commission](#)
- [Marijuana Regulation and Taxation Task Force](#)
- [Planning Board](#)
- [Plumbing](#)
- [Police Commission](#)
- [Public Works Commission](#)
- [Recreation Commission](#)
- [Rent Guidelines Board](#)
- [Tree Commission](#)
- [Water Board](#)
- [Zoning Board of Appeals](#)





**Power  
Buildings and  
Transportation sectors**

**Networking opportunities**



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# **NEW YORKERS**

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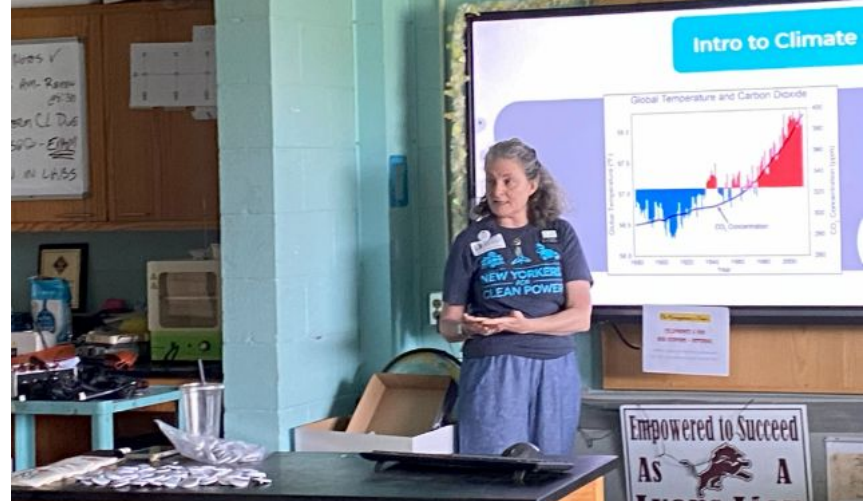
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# **CLEAN POWER**

**Policy is a key to making  
change!**





# Ways you can make a difference and get involved!

## Climate Action Now app

## NYSERDA Clean Energy internship

*(the state office of renewable energy)* offers paid internships and job training in clean energy and climate justice fields: [More info and Apply!](#)

## Local one-off volunteering events/opportunities:

Street clean ups, community garden help, etc. Follow your community on social media! i.e. the City of Kingston Earth



CLIMATE ACTION NOW

Take action with **NYCP** on the **Climate Action Now App!**



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Use Affiliate Code **293**  
Learn More at: [climateactionnow.com](https://climateactionnow.com)



# Thank You!

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- 1) Think about where you grew up, what kind of services are needed for your community? What kind of volunteering can help address these voids? I.e. I'm from Queens, access to community gardens, farmers markets, fresh fruit and vegetables are not as widely accessible as in the Hudson Valley.
- 2) On a more regional/global scale, after hearing from our panelists, assess the types of issues that motivate you most and where you'd like to see change. Think about how volunteering for whom and where could be most impactful in making a difference.