

THE GREEN AMBASSADOR



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Term of the Month

September's term of the month is *Single-Stream*. Here at Notre Dame, our recycling program is a single-stream service, meaning various types of recyclable materials are collected in one bin and then sorted later at a recycling facility.

[Read more about single-stream recycling and other waste management terms](#)

Recycling Expansion this Fall

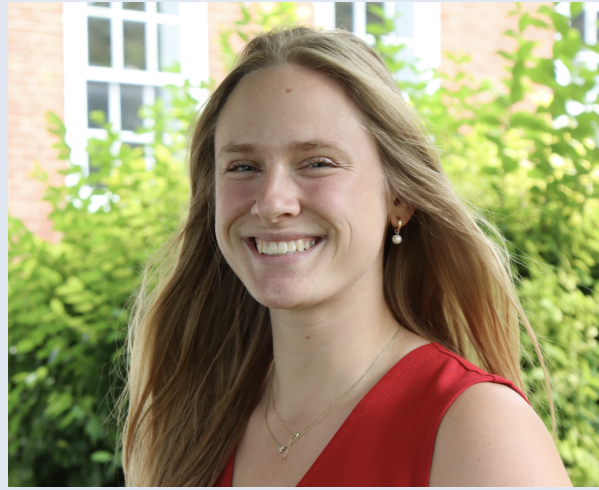


Over the past year, the Office of Sustainability and Building Services have collaborated to improve recycling accessibility and rebuild trust in Notre Dame's recycling and waste diversion systems. As of August 2023, the University's recycling program began Phase 1 of expansion, which includes a wider variety of material collection and centralized landfill and recycling stations.

[See how recycling is changing on campus](#)

Sustainability Spotlight: Lizzie Stifel

Lizzie Stifel is the new Director of Sustainability for Student Government here at Notre Dame. For the 23/24 academic year, she and her team of fellow representatives are planning to focus on zero waste efforts among the student body.



September's Sustainability Tip



Reuse, Reuse, Reuse!

Tailgating season is upon us! As you begin planning football festivities, consider alternative options to single-use plastic items and reduce your generated landfill waste.

Learn more about game day recycling and sustainable tailgating tips

As part of the annual celebration of St. Francis Week, **the Global Day of Action will take place on Wednesday, October 4.** This year, our focus is on reducing waste and participating in a community clean-up effort.

We challenge everyone to gather a team—be it your office mates, friends, fellow dorm residents, or faculty cohort—and spend an hour outside together for a trash pick-up. You might be amazed at what you find!

We want to see your group and the trash you collect! Be sure to tag your group photos and weird finds @sustainableND and @NDinternational on Instagram with #FrancisFest.

For more information on the other events happening during St. Francis Week, visit green.nd.edu/events.

Looking Ahead: Global Day of Action



A Special Thank You to the St. Andre Committee

This year, Building Services piloted two drop-off locations for recycling soft plastics and film waste during move-in week. To ensure that such materials made it to the drop off locations, volunteers from the St. Andre Committee dedicated time to collect plastic waste from their dorms and cart it to the drop-off stations. We wish to thank these volunteers for their time, effort, and dedication to reducing landfill waste!

Student volunteers: Deep Brahmhatt, Luca Fanucchi, Remy Finn, Luke Forman, Eleanor Frederick, Katherine Gilboy, Gus Heatherman, Sam Kaczor, Nadim Khouzam, Mary Laird, Sarah Mahoney, Sophia Rockwell, Grace Waddell, Natalie Volz, and Stephen Zachlin.



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