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UPDATES FROM CET

Our profound thanks to our our partners at [Energy Federation, Inc.](#) for their continued support of our EcoFellowship program!

Thanks so much to everyone who made a contribution to the Center for EcoTechnology during [Valley Gives 2016!](#) Your generous support encourages and inspires us to develop practical solutions to the environmental challenges that we face in our daily life. Thank you again!

This month, our 40th anniversary series takes a look at [the Center for EcoTechnology's role in green building through the last four decades](#), from our pioneering home energy audits and green design workshops to today's HERS ratings, LEED, Passive House, and other testing and

Did you notice that we've added a [calendar of upcoming events](#) to EcoBytes? Check it out, and take a look every month- you never know where you'll see us next!

Finally, thank you to everyone who came out to join us at [EcoBuilding Bargains](#) for the first annual EcoBuilding Barbeque! If you didn't make it this year, check out our recap below. Thank you to [PeoplesBank](#), who generously sponsored this great event!



We recently paid a visit to our friends at [Mass Appeal](#) to talk about the ways you can upcycle old tiles to make a mosaic decoration at home. This Sunday from 10am-5pm, we'll be doing it in a much bigger way, and we want your help! We're partnering with [Make-It Springfield!](#) and renowned artist [Robert Markey](#) to decorate a public mosaic in downtown Springfield. [The event](#) is free and open to all (we recommend ages 12 and up because the small pieces can be sharp, and we want everyone to have a great time), so join us and help make Springfield beautiful!

fluorescent lamps (CFLs) or light emitting diode (LEDs), with one being 'None of them' and 10 being 'All of them!.' As usual, EcoBytes readers did not disappoint, with 76.7% of respondents answering 9 or 10, indicating that there are a LOT of energy-efficient bulbs out there! How illuminating!

This month, we want to know... With one being "almost never" and 10 being "all the time!", how often do you use a reusable shopping bag when completing errands?

lowest [1](#) [2](#) [3](#) [4](#) [5](#) [6](#) [7](#) [8](#) [9](#) [10](#) highest

Sorry, voting is closed.

We'll announce the results in our July issue!

Go Green News



ECOBUILDING BBQ

We had a great turnout for the first annual EcoBuilding Barbeque! Food, activities, live demos, and more! [Check](#)



WASTED FOOD

Americans waste 40% of our food supply every year. It's a problem we can work together to solve, and here are [some of](#)



ECOFELLOW REUNION

Recently, we had EcoFellows from three cohorts come together to share their experiences. It was a [fun and](#)



GREEN YOUR WORKDAY

Now that everything is green and blooming outside, the last thing you want to do is sit at work. [Bring some spring inside with these tips](#) to help your green your working day!



GREEN-N-FIT

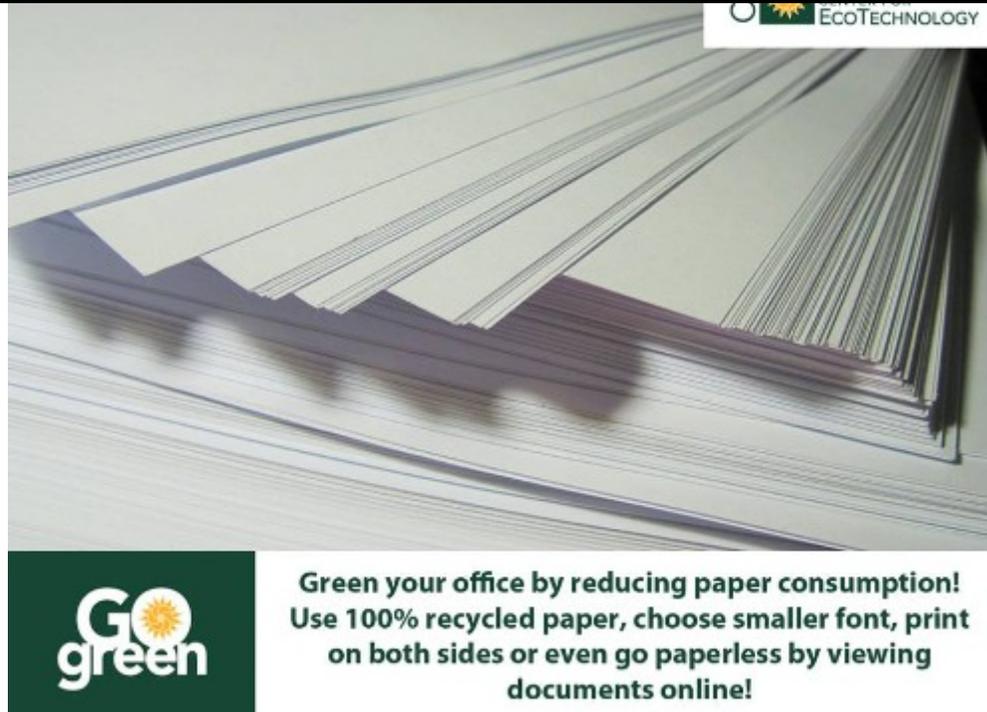
Center for EcoTechnology and EcoBuilding Bargains staff took part in [Revitalize CDC's Fourth Annual Green-N-Fit event](#), helping to rebuild a block in Springfield!



REUSE MOSAIC

Not sure what to do with those leftover tiles? Are some of them broken? Break a few more and [make an upcycled mosaic with this how-to guide!](#)

Go Green Tip



UPCOMING EVENTS

Remember that we're adding new events all the time, so keep checking [our Events page!](#)

June 8

10:00am-11:00am [Upcycling Made Easy Workshop, Pleasant View Senior Center, East Longmeadow](#)

5:00pm-7:30pm [Morningside Neighborhood Pride Night, Morningside Community School, Pittsfield](#)

5:30pm-10:00pm [Western Mass. Green Consortium Green Night, Platform Sports Bar, Northampton](#)

June 12

1:00pm-5:00pm [Make Downtown Springfield Beautiful, 168 Worthington Street, Springfield](#)

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