

# ECO BYTES



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## UPDATES FROM CET

Did you know that CET is a well-known and trusted source on food waste? We have been invited to speak at events such as the [Food Waste Solution Summit](#), the [Rhode Island Environmental Health - Yankee Conference](#), and the [Cambridge Innovation Center - Green Innovation Industry Night](#). One of our food waste experts, Lorenzo Macaluso, will be speaking at these events. Learn more about Lorenzo [here](#)!

Have you signed up for your free Home Energy Assessment yet? A no-cost [Home Energy Assessment \(HEA\) through the Mass Save® program](#) is a great way to reduce energy use and save money! Mass Save® is an initiative sponsored by Massachusetts' gas and electric utilities and energy efficiency service providers, including, The Berkshire Gas Company, Columbia Gas of Massachusetts, Cape Light Compact, Eversource, National Grid, Liberty Utilities and Unitil. If you haven't signed up for your HEA yet, call 1-888-527-7283 to schedule one right now!



We recently filmed a case study at the University of Massachusetts Amherst. Through RecyclingWorks, we helped UMass Amherst Dining Services implement food reduction practices that reduced its food waste by 30%. Read more about it [here!](#) [\\_RecyclingWorks MA](#) is a program funded by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection and administered by the Center for EcoTechnology.

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### **TOGETHER WE MAKE GREEN MAKE SENSE:**

Last month we asked, with 1 being "Not Likely at All" and 10 being "Very Likely", how likely is it for the student in your life to walk or bike to school?

75% of respondents answered 1 or 2, indicating that the student in their life is not likely at all to walk or bike to school. If you need to drive places, discover more information about electric car options and benefits in [our article on the topic](#).

This month we want to know... with 1 being "Not Likely at All" and 10 being "Very Likely", how likely are you to recommend to friends and family that they start composting?

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Check back next month for the results!

## Best of Our Blog



### STORE IMPACT

See how our reuse home improvement store, EcoBuilding Bargains, is making a [huge impact](#) on the environment!



### FOOD STANDARDS

Beauty standards applied to food impact whether it's sold or discarded. Learn [how much](#) food is wasted in the quest for perfect produce.



### UMASS FOOD WASTE

Learn about the [creative tactics](#) UMass Amherst implemented to reduce wasted food on their campus.



### ENERGY EFFICIENCY

October 5th was Energy Efficiency Day! Learn about how you can take [5 easy steps](#) to become more energy efficient in your life!



### MEET LORENZO

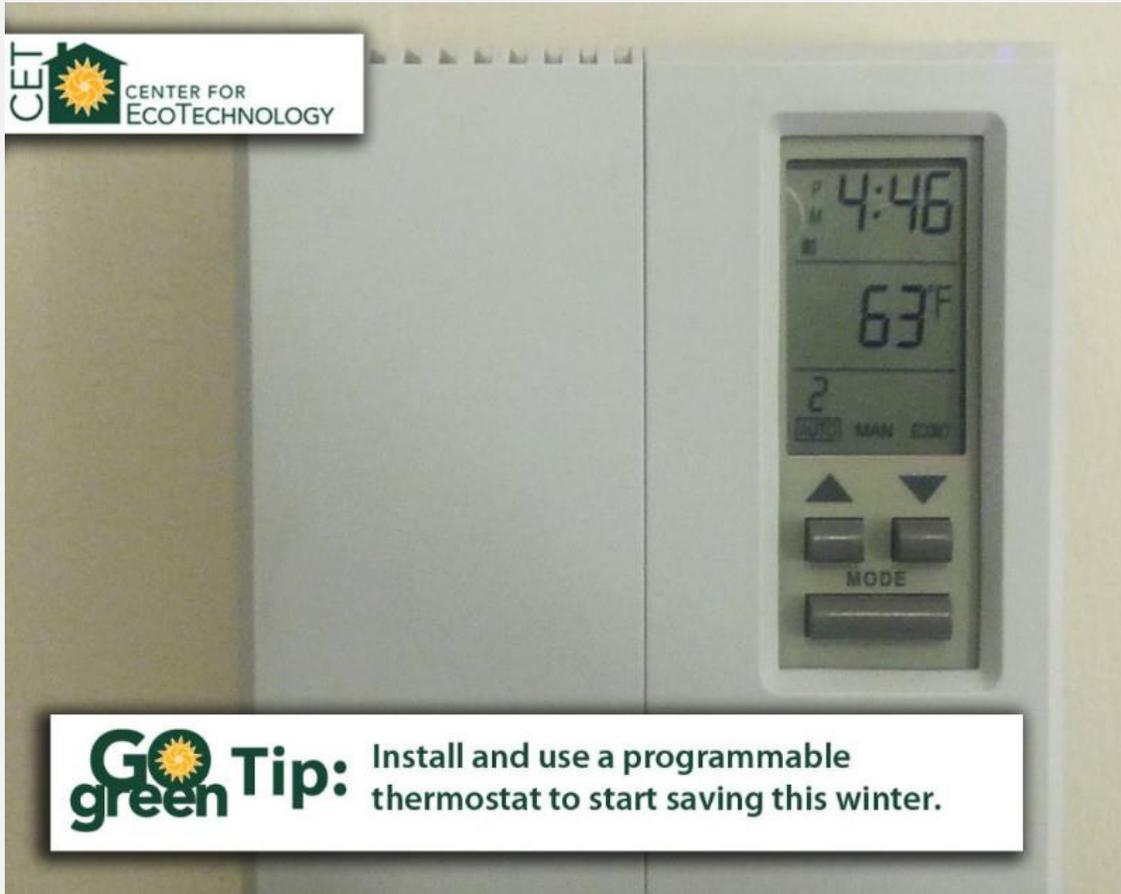
Find out more about our Director of Client Services and the amazing topics he'll be speaking about. See [where you can hear him talk!](#)



### REUSE GROCERY BAGS

Have leftover paper and plastic bags? Here are [14 creative ways](#) to re-purpose them and save them from the landfill!

## Green Tip of the Month



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