

# THE GREEN MOVE-IN GUIDE



## WELCOME TO CLEVELAND STATE UNIVERSITY!

*We're glad you've chosen to join our vibrant and diverse community.  
While you're here, you can help us to reduce our impact on the environment!*

### TIPS FOR PACKING

- ▶ Use reusable totes and suitcases that will last for years to come.
- ▶ Wrap fragile items with clothing, sheets or towels instead of packing materials.
- ▶ Talk with your roommate(s) before moving in to discuss who will be responsible for bringing particular furnishings to the room. There's no need for two televisions or microwaves!
- ▶ Plan ahead to avoid multiple car trips to bring all of your things to campus.

### WHAT TO BRING TO CAMPUS

- ▶ Reusable kitchen ware – storage containers, plates, cups, utensils, etc.
- ▶ Refillable water bottles and coffee mugs. Filtered water refill stations are located across campus. Cafes and outlets offer a discount for coffee refills if you bring your own mug.
- ▶ Energy star rated electronics and appliances.
- ▶ Power strips. Many devices draw energy even when turned off. Plug all your electronic devices into

a power strip, and simply flip the switch when they are not in use. Be sure it includes a surge protector/circuit breaker.

- ▶ A bicycle – get around downtown quickly and easily. Don't forget a helmet, lock and lights.
- ▶ Energy efficient LED light bulbs.
- ▶ Plants for your room - they help clean the air and bring a bit of nature indoors!
- ▶ Reusable shopping bags.
- ▶ Warm bedding and clothing – conserve energy by putting on a sweater or adding an extra blanket before you turn up the heat.
- ▶ Recycled content paper, notebooks, and other school supplies.

### WHAT NOT TO PACK

- ▶ A personal printer. CSU provides free printing to students at multiple locations. Don't forget to print double sided.
- ▶ Electric heaters or blankets.

# VIKINGS GO GREEN! TIPS FOR ON-CAMPUS LIVING

## REDUCE WASTE

- ▶ Reuse or recycle cardboard from moving into your dorm room.
- ▶ Coffee lover? Bring your own mug and refill on campus at a discounted rate!
- ▶ Avoid bottled water – carry a reusable bottle and take advantage of the free filtered water refill stations located across campus.
- ▶ Recycle paper, plastic, cans, batteries and cardboard on campus
- ▶ Carry reusable shopping bags to the store
- ▶ Print double sided and avoid printing when possible
- ▶ Buy secondhand and donate your unwanted goods.
- ▶ Rent your textbooks instead of buying new.

## CONSERVE ENERGY

- ▶ Turn off the lights when you're not in your room.
- ▶ Dress for the weather! Add layers of clothing before turning up the heat.
- ▶ Enable your computer's [power saving settings](#).
- ▶ Turn down the heat when you're not in your room and keep the windows closed when the heat is on.
- ▶ Take the stairs instead of the elevator.

## SAVE WATER

- ▶ Limit shower time to five minutes.
- ▶ Wash only full loads of laundry and use cold water to minimize energy and water use.
- ▶ Don't leave the water running while you wash the dishes.
- ▶ If you notice a water leak or dripping tap in your room, report it immediately by notifying the front desk in your building (24/7) and submitting a work request.

## GREEN YOUR LIFESTYLE

- ▶ Go car free! Bike, walk or opt for public transport. All students receive an [RTA U-Pass](#) with enrollment.
- ▶ Use the [Zipcar](#) system (located in front of Fenn Tower) for a convenient way to travel around Cleveland without having to keep a car on campus.
- ▶ Get a student membership to [UHBikes](#), located in front of Fenn Tower, and get 60 minutes of ride time a day.
- ▶ Choose meat free meals several times per week.
- ▶ Shop local markets and small businesses.



A CSU SUSTAINABILITY MOVEMENT

These simple steps will go a long way toward ensuring that CSU leads the way toward a more sustainable future for us all.

***Your efforts make a difference!***

If you'd like to meet other students interested in the environment and sustainability, join the [Student Environmental Movement](#).

**TO LEARN MORE ABOUT SUSTAINABILITY AT CSU**

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**[BEGREENCLESTATE.COM](http://BEGREENCLESTATE.COM)**

