The Working Group on Food

25 MEMBERS STRONG
COMPRISED OF STUDENTS, FACULTY, STAFF AND LOCAL GROWERS REPRESENTATIVES

http://www.environment.nau.edu
A Sustainable Food Model

- Not eating your seed corn
- Meeting present needs without compromising needs of future generations
- How can we address these issues?

http://www.ehponline.org
Creating a Model

- Collins-Edmondson dining hall chosen as pilot site
- Evaluating baseline carbon footprint
- Changing Demands
- Changing Supply

www.collinsites.org
The Carbon Footprint

- This dining hall’s annual carbon footprint is 94,776 lbs of CO$_2$
  - Not an entirely accurate number...
- Also setting bench mark for individually packaged items
Changing Demands

- Promoting a 12-month diet
- Students For Sustainable Food
- Influencing student groups
- Orientation poster
- Brochure
- IUTV Cooking Show
Changing Supply

- **Sustainable production and delivery**
  - Coordinating with local farmers
  - Improving processing and handling of food
  - Adopting ethics of animal husbandry and environmental stewardship
- **Reduction and recycling of packaging**
- **Reduction and recycling of food waste**
  - Composting food scraps
  - Recycling vegetable oil as biofuel
Integrating Food into Everyday Life

- The average person is detached from food
- We are bringing suppliers and consumers together
- Permacultural garden on 10th & Indiana

http://www.permaculturacanadulce.org
Questions?

Tinyfarmblog.com