

Green Town/Gown Projects:

- 1) Locate any brownfields in Warren County and study the environmental clean up needed to re-use the land (I don't think there are many here but this could be interesting and could help us turn property that is unused back to viable real estate)
- 2) Study local indoor air quality in Monmouth – Radon, smoke other pollutants
- 3) Study how much material is going into landfills in Monmouth and determine how much of that could be recycled. Study impact of current recycling efforts – amount of materials/energy saved and postulate how much could be recycled potentially. Create materials to educate the public on this.
- 4) Work with Recycling Center to determine the feasibility of expanding the range of recyclables currently accepted (for example plastics other than 1 and 2).
- 5) Study local attitudes toward recycling – differences between income ranges, ethnicity, male/female, ages etc.
- 6) Promote the use of Warren county freecycle (on-line list serve where people can offer things they have that they would like to get rid of (that are still usable) or ask for things they need/want. Everything is given for free.
- 7) Promote expansion of area thrift store to include office supplies and other often discarded “new” items
- 8) End of the year yard sale or yard give-away – have receptacles at each dorm where students can drop off gently used clothes, school supplies, and furniture, etc. Items could then be given away or sold as a fundraiser for a local charity (green solutions?)
- 9) Create in house environmental columns for the MC paper, segments for the Campus TV or radio.
- 10) Organize a regular environmental page/article in area papers – work with the paper to get the agreement/requirements and then recruit local/regional experts write and submit articles.
- 11) Study life of average students. How much waste does the average student produce? Are they recycling anything now? and how cognizant are they of issues like product packaging/ recyclable items etc.?
- 12) Survey area businesses about recycling and what they are or are not aware of as far as recycling availability and what resources they are currently taking advantage of.