

Fuel for Thought

Gasoline is largely subsidized by our federal government to keep the prices low for consumers. Environmental costs such as emissions and pollution through extraction, spills during the transportation of crude oil, and emissions from cars are considered externalized costs and not the responsibilities of the fossil fuel companies. ExxonMobil knew about climate change since the mid 1980s and how their industry was a major contributing factor. Other major fossil fuel companies have funded scientist to prove climate change wrong such as the Heartland Institute. Heartland's website proudly states that, "*The New York Times* called us "the primary American organization pushing climate change skepticism" as if it is a prize. Funding work to fight necessary development towards a energy independent future based on renewables holds us back as a society and species.

How you can make a difference this break.

Zimride is a secure, online ride sharing platform for IC students, faculty and staff, just like an old school ride board but, you need an IC e-mail address to post zimride.com/ithaca.

Bus: Several bus lines serve Ithaca, including directly to NYC, from the bus station, and on-campus for holiday breaks, connecting directly to major cities throughout the Northeast. Check Ithaca.edu/ithacaguide for buses.

YOUR ENVIRONMENTAL NEWSLETTER



Keeping Warm in Ithaca

Ithaca is cold, gorgeous but, cold. That's how winter is in upstate New York. Make sure to follow these tips to stay warm inside and outside.

Bundle Up

Make sure to dress in layers. It's easier to regulate your body temperature both indoors and outside when you can control how warm you want to be. Silk, polypropylene, and wool are the best materials for a base layer clothing. Avoid cotton. Once it is wet it no longer insulates.

Turn Down the Heat

Keeping the temperature of your house around 68° F or less will keep both your gas bill and climate impact low. Drink hot beverages to help warm up and make sure to get lots of vitamin C and zinc to ward off colds.

Keep Doors and Windows CLOSED!

If you live in a res-hall, please keep your windows closed. Opening the windows will allow more cold air inside and make the building's heating system work harder to warm the cool air, heating the entire res-hall, not just your room. If your room is hot, open the window and shut-the-door.

Move Around! Get up, walk around, do jumping jacks or plank. Get the blood moving and you'll be warmer.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Transportation is the second largest producer of CO₂, **1,801,710,000 metric tons** in 2013
- 80% observed vehicles on campus only had one occupant. Large amounts of greenhouse gases can be reduced through carpooling and ridesharing.
- The average American drives 13,476 miles per year, roughly 37 miles per day. Alternative modes of transportation such as biking are gaining participants and can save metro areas around \$1 million annually

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

REMP will start a pilot composting program in Circle Apartment! Sign up for one of the two training to participate in composting.

November 9th, 7-8pm in Friends 201

November 30th, 7-8pm in Ithaca Falls Room

Nov 6th IC Natural Lands Fall Fest Spend some time in the grand beautiful outdoors with free food and some super fun activities at the water tower starting at 4:00 pm to sundown. Bring your friends and have a good study break/destress time in the college's backyard in the woods

Nov 19th Look out for a new exhibit in the Handwerker Gallery featuring art made from reused materials

Nov 28th is Small Business Day downtown. Shop at local businesses and help strengthen the local economy and reduce carbon footprint.

Questions about sustainability?

Email us at irecycle@Ithaca.edu

Our Facebook: REMP at Ithaca College