

# 2018-2019 TEAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS



#### CLIMATE ACTION TEAM



- Got 1,418 faculty, staff, and students to participate in the UC's Cool Campus Challenge
- Received a small Carbon Fund grant for "smart power strips" that were distributed during multiple educational and outreach events around the CCC and energy conservation

#### **CARBON FUND**

- Received and considered 27 applications for both Micro (under \$5000) and Macro (over \$5000) grants from organizations across campus
- \$103,887 in funding was awarded to 14 projects



#### **ZERO WASTE**

- Provided trash talking services to 20+ Waste events, including OPERS Fall Fest, the College graduations as well as 4 ERC graduations
- Hosted the 5th Annual Campus Cleanup where 131 students cleaned up 245 pounds of litter & waste from campus
- Hosted "Not An Aesthetic, Our Resilience; Re-Rooting Sustainability" dinner and panel with three UCSC alums. Engaged over 600 students in dialogue around environmental justice and a more inclusive zero waste movement.



#### **EDUCATION & OUTREACH**

- Tabled at 8 events on and off campus, a total of 25 hours of tabling, and had 175 new sign ups for the Sustainability Office newsletter
- Talked to and engaged with 266 people interested in Sustainability
- Reached hundreds of people via our social media
- Hosted successful InterOrg weekend retreat with 84 participants



#### **GREEN LABS**



- Took over Styrofoam recycling from EH&S and held two collection days
- Recertified 10 Green Labs and certified 7 new labs bringing the total of certified labs to 35
- Worked with Energy Dept. to complete phase 1 & 2 of the Equipment Retrofit Program, replacing 6 80° freezers and 17 20° freezers
- Got information about sustainable lab practices and the Green Lab Program into EH&S's new lab orientation package

# SUSTAINABILITY CERTIFICATE PROGRAM



- Engaged 3 faculty, 7 staff and 1 alumni instructors
- Had 72 unique participants total and graduated 23 participants in Spring
   2019

## **GREEN OFFICE**

 Conducted a program overhaul to better align educational messaging directly with the Employee Sustainability Certificate program curricula and promote social justice and inclusive sustainability on campus



## STUDENT SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORS

- Conducted 4 sustainability implementation projects with tangible benefit to the colleges, including: researched/planned a pilot to test the viability of a durable rental system to reduce single-use bio-plastics in college events; hosted an Environmental Justice-themed camping trip with 10 students to Manresa State Beach in Watsonville; assessed best practices and presented recommendations to Housing Facilities about standardizing residential composting service
- Hosted 34 sustainability-themed educational events in the residential colleges to educate their peers

