will be optimized by lowering thermostats in buildings not in use. Utility bills will be reviewed and analyzed using industry software that will help identify billing errors and energy saving opportunities. College staff will be educated about using the energy under their control, and conservation will be encouraged. Each of the College's buildings will undergo energy audits throughout the year to ensure that all systems are working efficiently and as designed.

As part of this year's Earth Day festivities, the College celebrated the installation of six electric vehicle charging stations – two at each campus. This project, which was primarily funded by the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) is intended to encourage the use of environmentally preferable electric vehicles by providing the infrastructure to make this option viable. Each station can rapid-charge two electric or hybrid/electric vehicles and is connected to the Chargepoint Network for recovery of utility costs. The College installed the charging stations to promote use of environmentally friendly vehicles by students, faculty and staff at the College.

The College has agreed to act as the educational partner to two municipalities' application in the Solarize NY program which streamlines residential solar installations at the local level. The Solarize Brookhaven and Solarize South Fork programs will provide a bulk discounted group purchase model of pre-screened solar installations, as well as expedited project permit review for residents of Brookhaven, Southampton and East Hampton Towns.

Several important sustainability-related transportation initiatives have been undertaken in the past year. Working with 511NYRideshare, a State Department of Energy sponsored not-for-profit, over 200 students, faculty and staff have been registered on its ridesharing portal, which facilitates car-pooling and other sustainable transportation options. In addition, approximately 85 Suffolk students pledged to go car-free during 511NYRideshare's second annual Car Free Day-Long Island in September.

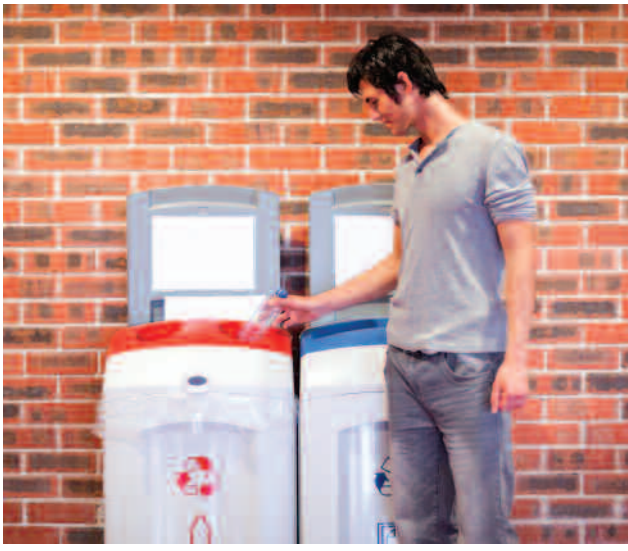
A comprehensive survey of student transportation concerns was developed in cooperation with the College's Office of Planning and Institutional Effectiveness. This is being shared with the Suffolk County Department of Public Works to identify opportunities for service enhancements.

A new Website has been developed, along with a Facebook profile and Twitter feed to keep the campus community updated about activities and opportunities associated with the College's sustainability initiative, and to foster additional engagement for all interested stakeholders.



Our campuses now have electric vehicle charging stations to accommodate a growing demand for electric vehicles.

511NYRideshare



Computer Information Systems (CIS)

The Office of Computer and Information Systems has accomplished much this past year and has begun several exciting new projects. The department has also seen past projects delivering well on planned outcomes.

Collaboration with various functional groups has resulted in operational improvements in several areas. Thanks to an interface built between the College's online learning system and Banner, students now have quick access to their Blackboard course accounts shortly after registration.

As part of a major collaboration among Academic Affairs, Student Affairs, and the Computer Center, the College was able to meet SUNY's new degree credit