

HISTORY OF SUSTAINABILITY AT UTA

1994

- Campus-wide recycling program receives presidential approval

2004-2006

- Environmental Vision Awards for recycling are presented by Tarrant County Corporate Recycling Council

2006

- Top 100 four-year colleges for Hispanics ranking is granted by the *Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education Magazine*

2000

2007

- University Sustainability Committee forms and AASHE membership begins
- Composting program receives multiple awards
- UTA is recognized as a trailblazer in "closing the gap" between Hispanic and non-Hispanic white students by the American Association of State Colleges and Universities

2008

- Green roof is installed on campus and receives multiple awards
- Preliminary carbon footprint analysis is completed
- Exemplary rating on sustainability is received from the National Wildlife Federation

2009

- Maverick Office Green Team launches

2010

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- EPA Food Recovery Challenge program participation begins

2011

- AASHE STARS Bronze rating is achieved
- Organic community garden is created
- LEED® Gold Certification is received for the Engineering Research Building
- Photovoltaic panels at College Park parking garage begin operation

2012

- The Green at College Park receives multiple awards and the College Park Center achieves LEED Gold
- The Center for Metropolitan Density is established
- Public transit two-year pilot project is announced
- The Food Recovery Challenge certificate of achievement award is awarded by the EPA

2013

- North Texas Commission grants the Working for Clean Air Award: Best University to UTA
- AASHE STARS Silver rating is achieved

2014

- First of three Leadership Awards for the EPA Food Recovery Challenge (2014, 2018, 2021) are granted

2015

- UTA launches new Institute for Sustainability and Global Impact
- UTA partners with Zipcar to offer new car-sharing program on campus
- UTA launches its first GRI Report

2016

- AASHE STARS Silver rating is achieved
- CAPP is established

2017

- UTA launches first Bike Share Program
- UTA is named a "Cool School" by *Sierra* magazine for campus sustainability efforts

2018

- The EPA recognizes UTA as the largest green power user in the Sun Belt Conference
- UTA receives NACUBO Excellence in Sustainability Award

2019

- UTA wins Outstanding Composting Program award from STAR NTx and NTCRA
- UNU-IAS Acknowledged Flagship Project
- Strategic plan is updated

2020

- UNU awards the *Upper Trinity River Water Quality Report Card* project an Honorable Mention for work on SDG 6
- Strategic plan is updated
- President announces eight DEI commitments

2021

- UTA ranks first in Texas in the THE Impact Rankings
- UNU-IAS awards UTA's Sustainable Cities Challenge project for its contribution to ESD
- UTA earns the Texas Tier 1 University designation
- UTA ranks #1 in Texas for awarding Bachelor's and Master's degrees to African-American students

2022

- UTA ranks eighth among American colleges and universities in the THE Impact Rankings
- AASHE STARS Silver rating is achieved
- UTA ranks third for ethnic diversity in the U.S. News & World Report
- 2022 NACUBO Excellence in Sustainability Award