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Fourth Annual GreenFest Event Set for Oct. 1 in Downtown Statesboro

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A promotional poster for the 4th Annual GreenFest. The background is a gradient of green and blue with abstract shapes. In the center is a stylized green plant with three leaves growing from a blue lightbulb base. Text elements include: 'Pallet Challenge (register online)' in a white banner on the top left; '4th Annual GreenFest SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS FOR YOUR LIFE 2016' in the center; 'Activities Green Shopping Blue Mile beautification Workshops' on the top right; 'October 1, 2016 | 9 A.M. - 1 P.M.' and 'Bulloch County Courthouse Lawn & Downtown' in the lower middle; 'GeorgiaSouthern.edu/sustainability' below the location; and logos for the Center for Sustainability, Student Sustainability Fees at Work!, and Georgia Southern University at the bottom.

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Student Sustainability Fees at Work!
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GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY

Georgia Southern University's Center for Sustainability is gearing up for its fourth annual GreenFest event, set for 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 1 in downtown Statesboro.

The event, which brings town and gown together, will showcase all that the region has to offer for sustainable living. Georgia Southern President Jaimie Hebert, Ph.D., and Darron Burnette, president/CEO of Sea Island Bank and the chair of the Blue Mile Committee, will give remarks at noon on the Courthouse Lawn, and more than 40 vendors and exhibitors will share sustainability information and green products to encourage a green lifestyle. A schedule for the day's events can be found [here](#).

Festival-goers can enjoy live music, sustainability workshops, children's activities and more. Featured workshops this year include up-cycled vases and planters, pallet birdhouses, and bookmarks and

placemats made from recycled Georgia Southern banners. The weekly Downtown Statesboro Farmers Market will also offer festival visitors fresh and delicious local produce, baked goods and more.

New this year, activities will extend past the Bulloch County Courthouse Lawn throughout downtown and along the Blue Mile, with GreenStop shopping for sustainable products at many downtown businesses, green activities and green wall tours at City Campus, recycled art projects at the Averitt Center's Roxie Remley Center, and bike riding on the Willie McTell Trail. Bicyclists will be eligible to enter a drawing for sustainable prizes at the festival.

Also new this year, the City of Statesboro is hosting a service opportunity for beautification along the Blue Mile, so volunteers can get their hands dirty and make a difference in our community. Check in on the courthouse lawn to participate.

Entries in the second annual Pallet Challenge will also be on display along Siebald Street, and winners will be announced at 12:15 p.m. Last year's competition drew entries from as far as Savannah and included pallet picnic tables, catapults, compost bins and even a bunkbed. Register your pallet creation in the competition this year at georgiasouthern.edu/sustainability.

The goal of GreenFest is to educate the public about sustainable solutions throughout the community, and to share green resources and eco-friendly ideas in an outdoor festival atmosphere.

The downtown festival attracts 1000+ visitors each year, and we hope that you will bring your friends and family and join in the fun. GreenFest is just one more reason why Statesboro is one of America's Best Communities.

Shuttle services to the festival will be offered for Georgia Southern students living on campus. For more information and to get involved, visit the Center for Sustainability online at georgiasouthern.edu/sustainability or contact cfs@georgiasouthern.edu, 912-478-5895.