

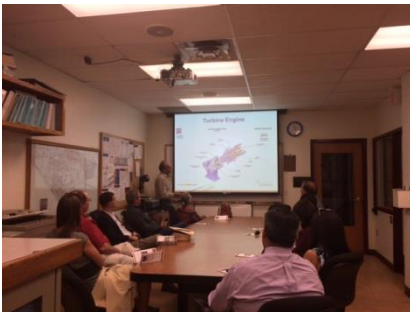
Student Collaboration—Keep State Great!

Grounds personnel and 700 NMSU students actively participated in the 2016 Keep State Great Community Service Event on September 24, 2016. This annual collaborative effort helps beautify the main campus. The teams were tasked with cleaning backyards in vacant family housing units, and cleaning campus roads. Grounds staff were appreciative of the energy and enthusiasm displayed by the students. The teams picked and disposed of approximately 2,000 pounds of pine needles from the landscaping on the north side of Skeen Hall parking lot. Teams assigned to clean the backyards in family housing disposed of 4,000 pounds of debris from their hard work in clearing grass, weeds and trash. Thank you Aggies!



Distribution of DSL Modems: ICT Technology Support Center in collaboration with Housing and Residential Life distributed over 300 DSL modems to south campus housing students. The ICT Helpdesk prepared the DSL packets and worked extended hours to deliver them and provide installation support. All involved departments successfully worked together to better serve the students.

Utility Plant Tours: Facilities and Services Utilities Operations was busy this month conducting Utility Plant Tours for various internal and external entities. The six tour groups included NMSU Engineering students, Facilities and Services Projects personnel and the New Mexico Science, Technology and Telecommunications legislative committee members. The purpose of the tours is to openly share with the community some of the behind the scenes utility operations that occur every day on our campus. In addition, it provides an opportunity to describe operational efficiency improvements that have reduced average electrical energy consumptions to an eight year low.



Environmental Education Center Harvests Organic Chard.

With our sixth sustainability initiative “Food and Health,” the Environmental Education Center (ECC) and volunteers grew organic chard and harvested it Sept. 26th to share and educate on the importance of growing local, organic, and supporting our local farmers. With the help of an Environmental Science (ES) student club, who provided the plants, another ES club who provided the compost, and a single student who watered, we have a great first harvest! ECC shared with students, faculty, and staff in the Regents Row area where the chard was grown.

