



## Foothill College Center for a Sustainable Future

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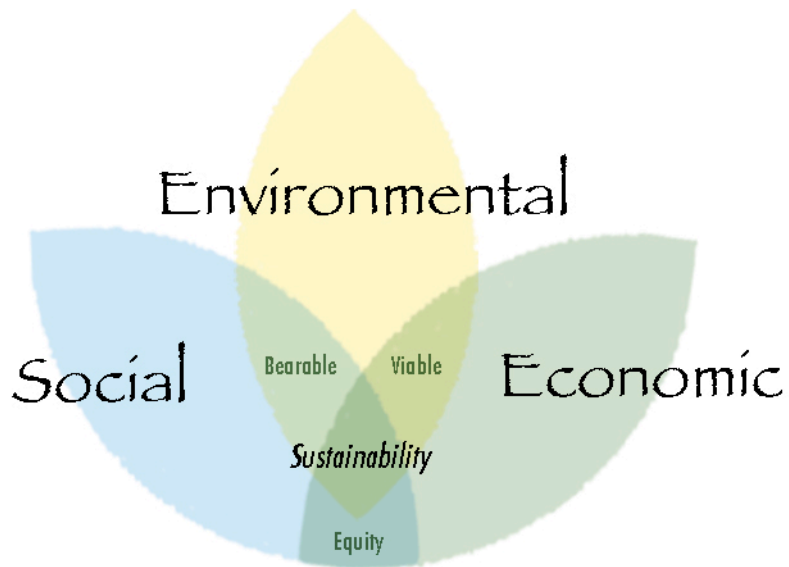
*The Foothill College Center for a Sustainable Future exists to:*

- *Foster ecoliteracy across the curriculum*
- *Revitalize and re-envision general education through sustainability education*
- *Cultivate sustainable values and practices on campus*
- *Collaborate with the greater community toward a sustainable future*

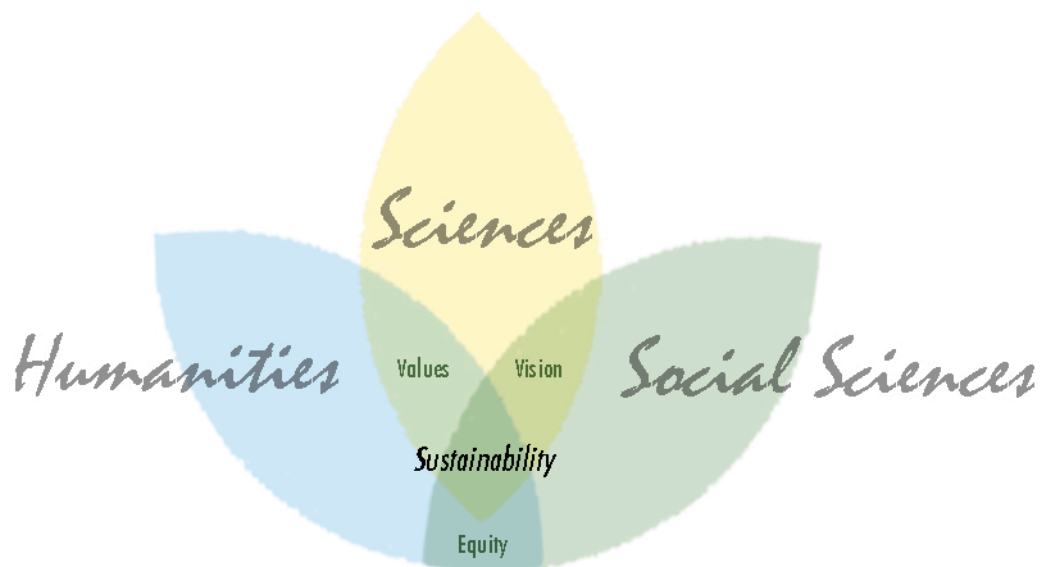
### **GOALS:**

- ✓ Infusing sustainability into the general education curriculum
- ✓ Providing pathways for faculty development around sustainability
- ✓ Developing interdisciplinary courses with environmental themes
- ✓ Building and expanding courses, certificates and degrees in sustainability
- ✓ Sponsoring annual events (i.e. Earth Day, World Water Day, contests)
- ✓ Fundraising/friendraising
- ✓ Bridging Green Career Pathways
- ✓ Engaging the campus at all levels: students, staff, faculty & greater community

*As triple bottom line theory demonstrates, sustainability lies at the confluence of three constituent parts...*



*Applied to education across the curriculum at Foothill, sustainability can also be centered at the confluence of three constituent parts. Creating closer relationships between divisions and departments through collaboration and partnership is key to the integration of sustainable principles on campus. The Center for a Sustainable Future will provide a springboard to foster these relationships.*



## **BENEFITS OF THE CENTER:**

- Serve as a catalyst for moving sustainability forward on campus
- Outreach to Stanford, San Jose State, U.C. Santa Cruz & other universities
- Provide a central hub for student volunteers/internships & co-curricular events
- Assist in fundraising/obtaining grants/naming opportunity
- Broaden the mission and focus of the Sustainability Committee
- Support the college in meeting its institutional learning outcomes of critical thinking, communication, computation, and community/global consciousness
- Complement and enhance the Science Learning Institute and other centers on campus
- Provide a bridge between the Humanities, Social Sciences, Communication, Business, etc. and the Sciences.

## **FIRST STEPS:**

- 1. Integrate our ongoing Sustainability Committee initiatives into the Center*
- 2. Create an advisory board of campus and community members*
- 3. Research developing a Fellows program for faculty*
- 4. Build on the current Sustainable Learning Community model*
- 5. Enhance and expand sustainable curriculum*
- 6. Explore possible certificates and degrees*
- 7. Investigate grant opportunities*