



## Purchasing News ~ June 2017 ~



### [A Sustainable Brewed K-Cup Recycling Program: \*Grounds to Grow On\*](#)

In collaboration with W.B. Mason, the Purchasing Department and Sustainability Office are pleased to announce that Wesleyan University has launched a recycling brewed Keurig cup program [Grounds to Grow On](#). For every brewed pod of K-cup, *Grounds to Grow On* recycles the coffee/tea grounds to land compost and the K-cup component to energy. Please see [attached](#) document for more information on how your department can receive a **FREE** collecting bin to help us keep the kitchen spaces more green and sustainable. A prepaid sticker is attached on the bin for **FREE** shipping.

### [MHEC Contracts](#)

Wesleyan University is a member of Massachusetts Higher Education Consortium (MHEC), and MHEC can offer various contracts to departments. A few examples of available contracts are library supplies, athletic/gym/field equipment, uniforms, and laboratory and science equipment/supplies. MHEC is also working on new and expanded contracts such as translation services and vehicle purchase/lease. Please see [attachment](#) for a list of available contracts and MHEC Commodity Managers' contact information.

### [Discounts at XL Center](#)

As of June 12, 2017, Wesleyan faculty and staff can receive discounts on events at the XL Center located in Hartford, CT. There is **NO COST** to utilize this discount program. You may purchase at your own discretion without meeting a minimum ticket requirement and still receive the group-discounted rate on selected events within the expiration date of the promotion. Please see [attached flyer](#) for more details on [promotion codes](#) and [events](#). Whenever new event discounts are available, we will include them in the monthly newsletter, so please look out for our upcoming newsletters!

### [Enterprise: 50 Million Tree Pledge](#)

Enterprise – the largest rental car company in North America and a twelve-year-long partner of Wesleyan University – has been leading a green project to restore damaged forestlands since 2007. In celebration of Enterprise's 50th anniversary in 2007, Enterprise has been collaborating with the Arbor Day Foundation and the U.S. Forest Service to plant 1 million trees per year, with the goal of planting 50 million in 50 years. Enterprise pledged to plant 50 million trees by 2057 in National Forests around the U.S., Canada, the United Kingdom, and Germany. Considering the growing environmental concerns, this is an exciting private-public partnership contribution to making a greener and healthier earth. According to Arbor Day Foundation, 10 million trees can absorb more than 10 million pounds of carbon, produce oxygen for up to 40 million people per day and lift as much as a billion gallons of water out of the ground and into the air.