

## Sustainability Workforce Preparation

- Increase sustainability course offerings.
- Provide students with real-world research, planning and problem-solving experiences.
- Place students with internships in the community.



## Community Sustainability Education

- Host quarterly community workshops open to local government leaders, businesses and community members.
- Host the annual Intermountain Sustainability Summit



In 2019, Weber State University students had the opportunity to design and build a **net-zero house** fully powered by the rooftop solar array. This house was entered into the U.S. Department of Energy Solar Decathlon competition and took 1st place for energy performance, 2nd place for presentation, and 3rd place for engineering.

## COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY SOLUTIONS CENTER



**WEBER STATE UNIVERSITY**

Energy & Sustainability Office





For over a decade **Weber State University** has been recognized as a **leader in the field of energy conservation and sustainability**. As a result of that dedication and effort, WSU is already ten years ahead of its original goal of complete carbon neutrality by 2050.

Now is the time to look beyond our campus borders to **help our state and community** attain their unique sustainability goals with our proven strategies by creating a Community Sustainability Solutions Center.



## WHY CREATE A COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY SOLUTIONS CENTER?

With the creation of a Community Sustainability Solutions Center, WSU would channel the expertise gained over the last decade being at the forefront of this movement and engage our students in solutions-oriented work to assist our region in attaining it's sustainability goals related to energy, clean air, and sustainable water practices.

This pioneering one-stop-shop center would deliver:

- Research and planning services for government and business leaders
- Community education
- Sustainability resources
- Community programs, and
- Sustainability workforce development

## THE WSU COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY SOLUTIONS CENTER WOULD PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING BENEFITS:



### Sustainability Research and Planning

Provide government and business leaders with the research and planning assistance needed to make the necessary transition to more sustainable practices for energy, clean air, and water.

### Connecting the Community to Sustainability Resources

- Create a one-stop center for sustainability resources.
- Connect the community with available public and private rebates, credits, incentives, grants and financing options.



### Hosting Community Programs

Host annual Empower Northern Utah Community Program to incentivize the adoption of energy efficiency practices, all-electric transportation, electric water heating and HVAC systems and renewable energy.

