

Why Stony Brook University should play a leadership role on on Long Island

It can help both the community
and the university.

Issues

For Long Island

- Built out by 2015
- Dependent on cars
- Real estate taxes are high
- Young adults leaving
- More homes occupied by empty nesters and retirees on fixed incomes
- Global warming
- Need to reduce carbon footprint
- Energy prices will increase
 - More expensive to heat and cool homes
 - More expensive to drive

For SBU

- Have expanded to Southampton and R&D Park
- Increased student enrollment
- Sustainability is important goal
- Agreed to reduce carbon footprint
- Cannot cut all trees and continue to build dormitories and parking lots on West Campus
 - Increases carbon footprint
 - Destroys aesthetics of campus

Solutions

- Need more legal apartments in existing homes near university campuses
 - Provide income to owners
 - Provide homes for students
 - Reduce carbon footprint
 - Reduce need for increased housing on campus
- Need cheap efficient public transportation
 - Fewer parking lots needed
 - Reduce carbon footprint
 - Encourages students to live off campus