

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

To paraphrase the famous naturalist, John Muir, “when one tugs at a single thing in nature, we find it hitched to everything else in the universe.” As a microbiologist, I see how small organisms affect larger organisms and how those organisms affect their local environment, and how local environments create ecosystems that comprise the natural world. Through this frame I look at the world from our corner of it and see the changes that our activities impose on the global climate, but also on the positive impacts that our University community creates.

Our place is unique. Millersville University sits within Lancaster County, Pennsylvania—a location known internationally for its rich history of stewardship of the land. We’re also located alongside the City of Lancaster—a city that’s gaining national recognition for its commitment to sustainable growth born from an intrinsic willingness to put the interest of the community above personal interests and affiliations.

Our programs are world class. The learning opportunities they create are both comprehensive and deep—providing students with experiences that shape a lifetime while creating citizens with the power to shape local and global communities.

Our people are inspired and inspiring. From our faculty to our staff to our students, my conversations with them reveal insights and ideas that enrich, enliven and empower. They have the knowledge and ability to develop local solutions that can be scaled to solve global challenges. Perhaps more importantly they have a sense of purpose and authenticity that compels us to imagine the possible.

Our purpose is clear. Climate change is perhaps the greatest challenge of our time with the power to exacerbate other pressing global challenges, such as hunger, poverty and inequality. It is also a solvable challenge. The strategies in this Climate Action Plan provide answers to the global climate crisis, and when paired with the work of other universities, governments, and businesses create an ecosystem of solutions capable of changing the world.

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