



[World Food Day](#) is a day dedicated to tackle the issue of global hunger. Held annually on 16 October, it is a declaration of commitment to end worldwide hunger by 2030, and to ensure that everyone has access to safe and healthy food. With that goal in mind, the theme for this year is "Healthy Diets For A #ZeroHungerWorld".

According to the latest [Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations 2019 State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World report](#), an estimated 821 million people suffers from chronic food deprivation. In Asia alone, the projected Prevalence of Undernourishment (PoU) is 11.3%, representing approximately 514 million people.

In Singapore, non-profit The Food Bank Singapore aims to not only reduce food wastage among Singaporeans, but also reduce food insecurity among those who are unable to support themselves. Did you know there is a Foodbank@NTU chapter? You can be part of this meaningful effort by donating your food items in the various [FoodBank bins around NTU](#).

Be informed. Be inspired. Be the change.

ARTICLES & UPDATES



Warming seas may hit seafood availability

Temperature effects and changes in ocean circulation patterns affect nutrients and the abundance of smaller plants and animals in marine food webs. Read [more...](#)



Wasted donated food sparks debate on efforts of volunteers

To give more effectively, it is important for people to volunteer regularly rather than on an ad-hoc basis, and also work with the community to find out what its needs are. Read [more...](#)



Food-saving app aims to cut waste

The Olio app allows users to post pictures of unwanted, but safe and edible food. Users are alerted of food postings nearby, and can arrange a pick-up. Singapore is the first Asian country that Olio has ventured into, and the third-most active one in the world. Read [more...](#)



Climate change threatens global food security

Deforestation and loss of peatlands, mangroves and grasslands for large-scale agriculture are degrading life-giving soils that humanity needs to feed and clothe itself, cutting yields, threatening food supplies for millions and raising the risk of mass migration. Read [more...](#)

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



19 October 2019

International Coastal Cleanup Singapore 2019

A worldwide movement that gathers people with the same goal to clean up our seas and collect important data to be used by governments in environmental policy-making. Organised by Earthlink NTU, lend a helping hand in this annual effort to save our waters. [Find out more.](#)



20 October 2019

CIP @ Red Cross Home for the Disabled

Organised by NTU Red Cross, come with your friends to volunteer and interact with the residents at Red Cross Home for the Disabled. Every minute spent with them is for a good cause. Two-way transport (to and fro from NTU) is provided. [Find out more.](#)



29 October - 1 November 2019

NTU Blood Donation Drive 2019

Organised by NTU Red Cross, come and be part of the team to encourage NTU students and staff to donate blood at this annual drive. At this four day event, volunteers will help to usher and assist to answer enquiries from blood donors and general public. [Find out more.](#)



29 November 2019

Silver Homes Volunteer Project

A volunteer-driven initiative which offers seniors residing in rental flats, a chance to have a cleaner, safer, and healthier environment to improve their living wellness. Volunteers will help in cleaning, painting and interacting with seniors. [Find out more.](#)

COMPETITIONS & GRANTS



12 October 2019 - 1 February 2020

Singapore Youth Action Challenge

Take part in the Challenge and come up with ideas to impact the future of Singapore in areas of environment, social and economy. You may receive up to \$50,000 in grants to turn them into reality. Click [here](#) to read more and apply.

UPCOMING EVENTS



2 November 2019

Mangrove Mystery Nature Trail 2019

Organised by Earthlink NTU, come and explore the mysteries hidden within the mangrove forests. Expect an immersive and relaxing nature walk led by student guides. Free transport and refreshments provided for all participants. Limited slots available, so don't miss out! [Find out more.](#)



1 - 31 October 2019

October Feeding Month

In celebration of World Food Day, the Food Bank Singapore is launching a month-long campaign to highlight food wastage and hunger issues. It will comprise of a food drive, food distribution to low-income households and activities to salvage fresh food produce. [Find out more.](#)



19 - 20 October 2019

AI For Impact

A two-day hackathon which will demystify artificial intelligence and bring together the social service industry and technology evangelists. Join in the dynamic talks which will cover topics such as nurturing a data-driven culture in organisations and amplifying social impact. [Find out more.](#)



18 - 31 October 2019

Soles4Souls Shoe Drive

Do you want to declutter your shoe closet and benefit the needy in India at the same time? You can do so at this shoe drive, where all kinds of footwear is accepted - both new and gently worn. [Find out more.](#)



2-3 November 2019

The Conscious Festival

Back for the fifth edition, the event is an almost zero waste and vegan event where fun and sustainability go hand in hand. There will be a flea market, food and game booths, and informative talks. Join in for a journey towards a more conscious lifestyle. [Find out more.](#)



26 October 2019

Mental Health Carnival 2019

Come and hear from mental healthcare professionals and sign up for free workshops. There will also be a bazaar that will feature handmade crafts by persons in recovery from mental health conditions. [Find out more.](#)

OTHERS



9 - 12 December 2019

Youth For Change Conference 2019

Discover how World Vision pursues social innovation to tackle threats to the well-being of children and their families. To be held in the Philippines, look forward to field visits and interactive sessions with experts in the field. Grants are available for eligible NTU students.

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Student Community Engagement aims to empower students to make a difference through positive social actions. We believe that young people have a critical role to play in building a better world for themselves and the community.

We provide students access to opportunities such as grants for their ground-up initiatives and social entrepreneurship efforts, internships at non-profit organisations, and training programmes to develop community leadership skills.

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