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Fights World Hunger with EarthBox® Systems**

My ecology students at Lackawanna College are growing in EarthBox Containers to support the Fight Against World Hunger. Both the number of students and EarthBoxes has grown since we began this project last year. The EarthBox lettuce seedlings are tended to by the students, and the harvest will be weighed and donated to a local food bank and Salvation Army in Scranton, Pa.



We are partnering with our local Salvation Army for the entire semester. My students now realize that world hunger is not always a continent away; there are many hungry people not far from our campus.

Our Fight Against World Hunger goals for the semester include:

1. non-perishable food drive to coincide with the harvesting of the lettuce, for the Food Bank at the Salvation Army.
2. Help organize and hand out food during the Salvation Army's Holiday Food Drives.
3. Students in the biology classes engaged in this project will present the importance of Photosynthesis, Green Plants, Sustainability and World Hunger to other groups of students in our community.

As a Biology Professor, I am very excited about this project. The EarthBox system provides a wonderful medium to accomplish these goals. Lackawanna College is located in an urban environment with diminished areas for growing anything. Students have realized the need to both learn about and incorporate sustainability into the world in order to combat World Hunger.