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What does it take to clean 981,007 square feet?

With more than 1,600 students and nearly 350 employees, Linfield’s McMinnville Campus is the size of a small town.

Garbage is emptied, lawns are mowed, toilet paper is replenished, buildings are repaired and painted, and light bulbs are replaced. Facilities Services and Auxiliary Services make sure that Linfield functions smoothly and efficiently. While you may see the ground crews out on occasion, you rarely see the electricians, painters, carpenters, mail staff, food service workers and dozens of others who toil behind the scenes to keep our little city operating. Here’s what happened over the course of one year.

That’s a lot of care packages

Mail services handled 926,808 pieces of mail – 240,950 pieces going out and 685,858 pieces coming in. Linfield’s post office has three employees and eight work study students.

Food and drink

Sodexo served more than 1,055,000 meals and sold 34,560 bottles of beverages. Talk about your dishpan hands – some 462,000 dishes are washed annually.

Collated and stapled

Despite the growth in digital communications, copy services made 2,899,532 black and white copies and 80,690 color copies. Machines on campus produced 2,980,222 copies.
About that TP

More than 5,200 rolls of toilet paper were replenished at 297 commodes, 762,000 feet – 144 miles – of paper towels were used at 279 sinks, and 48,120 trash can liners were used in indoor and outdoor trash cans.

Shine a little light

More than 10,000 light bulbs were replaced during the last campus-wide lighting upgrade.

Books and T-shirts

The bookstore sold 14,641 articles of Linfield clothing and 5,329 new and 2,959 used textbooks.

Reduce, reuse, recycle

Facilities services recycled more than 800 tons of material, including 120 cubic yards of leaves each week during the fall. They collected an additional 1,318 tons of solid waste that was not recycled.

On the road again

The college vehicle fleet recorded 1,215 rentals by campus departments, who traveled more than 169,000 miles.

Crews clean, maintain, replace and modernize:

981,007 square feet of building space
11.5 acres of parking lots
41,553 linear feet of sidewalks
3.1 miles of private roadway
539,000 square feet of roofing
1.37 miles of steam lines
2.80 miles of fresh water lines
27 street lights
225 walkway lights

And you think your lawn is big

With over 185 acres of grounds, including turf, sports fields and planting beds, grounds crews mowed 2.25 million square feet each week during the growing season.