Progress Report - Campus Sustainability Fund

Thank you for submitting a Progress Report for your Campus Sustainability Fund grant! We look forward to hearing about the advancements of your project.

Progress Reports are due the first week of every March, May, August, and December for the duration of the project. This link will open at the start of the week. Progress Report due dates for 2022: May 6th at 5PM and August 5th at 5PM.

Please be aware of the responses minimums and maximums for each question. While this form does not enforce our minimums, we strongly encourage following them. Should we feel that not sufficient information is provided, the Committee might request a new submission.

Should your project not yet have progress to report in some areas, you may type "No progress to report." However, this will be vetted by Committee Members. If you have no progress to report, that should be made evident in meetings with the Committee Member who is your direct contact.

Should your project already be completed, please note in your responses to "Next Steps" and "Progress Support" that neither questions are applicable considering your project's timeline.

Uploading photos is required for Progress Reports - if you have no photos to share because your project has not yet begun, please omit.

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Who is submitting this Progress Report?

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Campus Vegetation - Native Plants

The Native Plants project attempts to diversify vegetation on campus while limiting resource use. Of course, these plants will require water and other resources, but the added benefits of lessened soil runoff and an increased number of pollinators will offset the low water use. These plants will not only boost campus aesthetics, but also support campus ecology and promote biodiversity.

31 total plants will be planted. 6 students were in the core team for executing this project. The overall square footage of the plot of land was approximately 1750 - 2000 square feet. The new vegetation cover on this plant was calculated to be approximately 1250 square feet. We did this by measuring this plot with a ruler and gauging the average size of each plant for the total vegetation cover.
After the grant for our project was approved, we signed our letter of agreement then we reached out to Sandra Obenour-Dowd from facilities management to let them know the project is funded and can begin. We had the project finance manager send our account information to the Cost Accounting Office so that an official job number can be created. I met with Emily Haworth and Emma Romano to discuss the progress of the project so far and set metrics and other tasks to accomplish. So far, no work has been done physically to the plot of land.

1. Stay in contact with Facilities Management to ensure the project is on track to be completed. 2. Reach out to AZ Ambassadors to set up a collaboration to show new students native plants and teach them about some of them. 3. Check on progress through Grounds and Facilities Management and by observing the plot firsthand. 4. Complete the final progress report when the project is complete.
Challenges Faced *

Please identify and describe any obstacles/roadblocks you or your team have experienced, and detail how you've managed them/ will manage them. Should your project already be completed, please note what challenges you faced and what you would do differently. Responses must be 500 characters at minimum and no longer than 2,000 characters, spaces included.

One major challenge we faced was communicating with Facilities Management for a cost quota. It took quite some time, and I would not get a response for as long as a couple of weeks. It was only until the few days up to the grant deadline that we were able to acquire the cost quota from FM. It was a difficult obstacle whether it was an error on my end or a genuine lag of communication.

Project Support *

Can the CSF support you in addressing any roadblocks you’ve encountered? How else can the CSF support your project? Responses must be 500 characters at minimum and no longer than 2,000 characters, spaces included.

The process of acquiring a grant can be quite confusing sometimes. Maybe a guide of the general process on your website could help aid the process in the future. I am definitely getting familiar with it but others in my group are not as familiar as they haven't formulated a grant before. This would be helpful so that everyone can contribute equally more easily.

Photos

Please upload or provide link (below) to relevant photos. Providing photos to your project is required. Please include event photos, any and all relevant photos, as well as flyers or advertisements.

Photo Link

Please copy hyperlinks to photos here should you not be able to individually upload photos. Please include event photos, any and all relevant photos, as well as flyers or advertisements.
Media/Links
Please include links to any media coverage or events information (e.g. news, social media, websites, interviews, etc.)

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