

Clean Energy Fund Recommendations | Fall 2020

This proposal is the first part a proposed two-part project. The first part would be a feasibility study to determine if bringing compost collection in-house makes financial and operational sense. The proposal is seeking funding solely for the student employee or paid internship to assist with data collection and draft reporting. The proposal originated from the Sustainable Campus Fund Infrastructure Committee.

The project would begin with assessing state-wide composting mandate. Several questions were raised, including asking whether this is a cost-savings proposal or an environmental proposal. The project internships are viewed as a great opportunity for an Environmental Science student and Business student for examining both economic cost-benefits and environmental benefits.

Recommendation: The council voted to fund this proposal.

Cigarette Receptable Data Collection

Proposed by: Ian Lynch and Olivia Lopez, Undergraduate Student Government Association, CAS and RSEN

Funding request: \$3,344

This proposal will fund two internships seeking to collect information on the three cigarette butt receptacles that were installed. Interns would conduct a waste audit on the three receptacles, create and conduct a survey regarding potential changes in cigarette usage, research effective messaging strategies to mitigate the usage of cigarettes, place this messaging on campus, and continue to push for the installation of the remaining 11 receptacles that are waiting to be installed.

The group discussed this at some length, noting that the project is totally student-driven. However, the group recommends not funding the proposal at this time and would encourage the students to strengthen the research questions, investigate current smoking policies on campus and perhaps move forward during

Voting outcome: The group recommends denying funding for this semester.

Covered Bike Racks

Proposed by: Abby Bleything, Adam Frasier, and Jim Barr, Transportation & Parking Services

Funding request: **\$229,345**

This request proposes initiating Phase II of the Covered Bike Racks project and seeks funding for the construction of two covered bicycle racks on , at the Harris Millis complex and Davis Center. Each shelter would hold 28-32 bikes. The proposal s fuel use on campus by encouraging people to commute to and travel around campus year-round on bikes and increase equity for those that do not have access to a vehicle. The proposal has the advantages of building on previous funding from the Clean Energy Fund and also aligns with the Active Transportation Plan.

A motion was made and seconded to fund both locations with stackable racks to provide more capacity for accommodating students that do not live on campus. However, there were concerns raised about the overall price tag of the proposal, prompting a discussion of using alternative materials or completing a

competitive bid process prior to approval. A request was made for a more detailed breakdown of the costs and following this information, the group voted to fund the proposal.

Recommendation: After extensive deliberations, the group voted to recommend funding this project for the full amount.

Fleet Sharing Pilot

Proposed by: **Hannah November**, Undergraduate Student,
Transportation Research Center

Funding request: \$42,090

This proposal will support a 12-month long fleet vehicle sharing pilot program among UVM departments toward building a more resilient transportation future. This project will work with the Vermont Clean Cities Coalition (VTCCC) and Transportation and Parking Services (TPS), in conjunction with Carshare Vermont, to acquire and install fleet sharing hardware and software for each vehicle in the pilot. By investing in the fleet sharing technology fort

Recommendation: The council recommends the Greenhouse Lighting Project be referred to the Revolving Loan Fund as it appears to meet the criteria.

Howe Library Stack Light Renovation: Phase 3

Proposed by: **Aidan Doherty and Lynn Wood, CAS, Political Science**

Funding request: \$40,000

Proposal is to replace outdated, non-LED/CFL lighting above the book shelves on the 2nd floor of the Howe library with motion-sensor activated LEDs. Phase 1 of the renovation provided efficient lighting and occupancy sensors with timers for the 3rd floor and Phase 2 began work on the second floor. This proposal provides multiple benefits, including energy savings, better quality lighting, as well as raising the visibility of the CEF/Sustainable Campus Fund on campus. This is a request for funding the 3rd phase of the lighting project in another section of the second floor. The group had two proposals to consider one proposal asked for funding Phase 3. Another proposal requested funding for the next four phases of the project 6 phases in total that are the same and address different sections of the library. The group voted to only vote on Phase 3 for \$40,000.

Recommendation: The SRIAC voted unanimously to recommend funding this proposal for Phase 3 at \$40,000.

New Campus Signage Update

Proposed by: **Corey Berman, UVM Recycling and Zero Waste**

Funding request: \$5,000

This request proposes to design and roll-osis sampte

of which could be used to increase program efficacy. The pricing for this proposal reflects a six-month
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