



American U Sustainability Fund Project Proposal

American University - Office of Sustainability



American University's Sustainability Fund advances the university's active pursuit of sustainability by providing financial and administrative support for campus sustainability projects developed and proposed by members of the university community.

This program is open to students, faculty, staff, alumni and neighborhood residents. Projects must have a research or implementation component on the American University campus or in the nearby community. Preference is given to projects with a long-term impact rather than a movie screening or other one-time event. A committee of students, faculty and staff reviews and votes on proposals at least once per year and grantees will be expected to provide a progress report in January and a final report and presentation during Earth Month in April.

Proposal Instructions:

Complete this Project Proposal form electronically using only the space provided.

Email completed proposals to sustainability@american.edu by October 8th, 2013.

1. Applicant

Name

AU ID#

Title (if applicable)

Email

Phone

2. Check all that apply and complete additional info if applicable

Faculty: School/College/Department

Staff: Department

Student: Major

Alumnus: School/College and year

Neighbor: describe any relationship with the university

3. Executive Summary

Briefly describe the project, using only the space provided.

4. Amount of Funding Requested

5. Project Work Plan

Describe, in detail, how you will implement your project, including a timeline and important milestones.

6. Project Sustainability Benefits

Projects should advance one or more of the university's sustainability commitments, which include: carbon-neutrality, green building, sustainable purchasing, zero waste, and community engagement in sustainability. Projects should produce measurable results, such as tons of waste eliminated or diverted, tons of CO₂ mitigated, gallons of stormwater managed, number of people educated. Describe and estimate the social, environmental, and financial benefits associated with the project.

7. Funding

Applicants may request between \$500 – \$1,500 per project. Project funds may be used for:

- a) Materials or products required to implement the project;
- b) Professional work, installation, or design;
- c) Research and testing or monitoring equipment;
- d) Student wages.

Project proposals should also seek to take advantage of other grants or existing programs that could contribute to their project's potential success.

Total Project Budget:

Amount requested from Green Eagle Sustainability Fund:

List all expected project expenses:

8. Project Support

List any additional project participants, including students, faculty, staff, organizations, or other participants expected to be involved in the project. Be specific, if possible.

Please list any AU departments (e.g. Facilities Management, Grounds, Housing & Dining Programs) which might be affected by your project. If you are unsure, please consult the Office of Sustainability for advice. You must receive written approval from a representative in each impacted department. Print this page and gather handwritten signatures. Then scan and submit this page along with the rest of your application. Letters of support accompanying the signatures are also encouraged but not required.

	Department	Name	Signature	Date
Person 1				
Person 2*				
Person 3*				

**As necessary*