



Sustainable Action Fund Grant Program

SMALL GRANT FINAL REPORT GUIDELINES

Project Name: Campus to Compost

Project Team: Alicia Terry (project lead), Julian Frawly, Darcy Ruppert

Project Advisor: Luke Mason

Project Stakeholder(s): Gary Hodge, John Furman

Date that project was worked on from start to finish: April 22nd ground break, finished about May 15th

Awarded Funds from Sustainable Action Fund Grant Program: \$4,934

Actual Project Cost: \$5,685.38

One of the most important functions of this grant program is to keep track of projects funded by the Sustainable Action Fund and report back to the student population. The information in this final report will provide important feedback/advice for future projects. Please submit this report to the Sustainable Action Fund Grant Program Coordinator upon final implementation of your project.

1. PROJECT SUMMARY

a. Accomplishments and successes – what went well?

Team building and a great final product that is producing quality compost

b. Goals of the project

a. What did you set out to accomplish?

Reduce waste

b. What campus need were you trying to fill?

Lower Carbon Footprint and operating expense

c. Challenges and obstacles

c. What were the challenges/obstacles in this project and how did you handle them?

It took us a while to find times where the whole team could meet but we figured it out

d. What did you have to change from your original application submission?

I don't think anything

e. What would you like to have known before you started the project?

I think it was all presented well.

f. What improvements or recommendations would you change about the grant process?

If it could be simplified.

2. SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT

- a. Did your project tie into any broader campus sustainability initiatives? If yes, please describe.
Yes, Zero Waste has the same goals.
- b. What quantitative and/or qualitative sustainable impacts did your project have? For quantitative impacts, please provide documentation for the data you provide (if applicable, include sources and equations).
I do not have documentation but I believe we've generated over twenty yards of compost and prevented over fifty yards of debris to be hauled out.
- c. Do you expect on-going benefits (annual cost savings, etc.)? Please include estimates of these impacts. Please include documentation for the benefits you provide (if applicable include sources and equations).
These numbers were submitted with the grant and I do not have them here.

3. SAF IDEA LABS: These info sessions, a.k.a. "Idea Labs," are designed to familiarize potential applicants with the SAF grant process, and to encourage them to apply for grant funds.

- a. What did you like about the Idea Labs?
Meeting people with similar goals and collaborating.
- b. What could have been better?
Nothing, they were great.

4. ONE-ON-ONE MEETINGS WITH THE SAF GRANT PROGRAM COORDINATOR: These meetings were to help flesh out your application, troubleshoot any problems, and strategize for success.

- a. What did you like about these meetings?
Finding ways to overcome obstacles.
- b. What could have been better?
I think they work well.
- c. Was the meeting frequency enough? If not, provide alternative ideas.
Yes.

5. CONCLUSIONS AND NEXT STEPS

- a. Will your project continue on into the future, and if yes, who will be carrying on the project?
Yes, the grounds shop will continue to compost and apply it to the grounds.
- b. What are the next steps for this project?
Improve the "Tarp" cover and make it easier.
- c. How should this project be replicated in other areas on campus?
I think one is fine.

d. What could the Sustainable Action Fund Grant Program staff have done better to advise or help your project?

SAF staff was great!

e. What group of students, academic department(s), or faculty/staff on campus do you want to know about your project that might not know about it?

Biology or the Outback