College of Lake County Green Fund Initiative

The College of Lake County Green Fund Initiative (GFI) is currently seeking proposals to fund conservation, sustainability, energy efficiency, and/or renewable energy projects on campus. The 2014-2015 Green Fund is approximately $20,000, which could support one ambitious project, or multiple smaller ones. This fund was established to help increase the use of clean energy technologies as well as aid in fostering a sustainable campus environment within our academic programs, built environment, and campus and community culture.

Green Fund Initiative Goals
1. Further CLC’s pursuit of a more sustainable campus for its students
2. Provide members of CLC with direct opportunities to engage in implementation of sustainable projects that will positively impact the student body
3. Advance sustainability plans, practices, and knowledge on campus
4. Inspire the CLC community to advance in sustainability

Who Can Apply
All CLC students, student organizations, faculty, and staff are eligible to apply.

Application Deadlines
The green fund has a rolling deadline with applications due May 9th, October 3rd, December 5th, February 13th, and April 10th. Completed applications can be submitted to greenfund@clcillinois.edu.

Funding Criteria (Things to consider)
- Impact on student life on campus
- High visibility and educational exposure on campus
- Promotion of renewable energy
- High incidence of student involvement or employment
- Long-term cost benefits
- Direct energy and sustainability impact
- Budget effectiveness, cost sharing, and leverage of external funds (Please count any staff time or internal resources provided toward cost sharing)
- Likelihood for success
- Creativity
- Education and outreach
- Environmental protection, social equity, and economic benefit

Other items to consider with your project proposal:
1. Visibility - Is there a public outreach plan? How will faculty, staff, students learn about this?
2. Economic Feasibility - Is your project financially efficient? Is this a one-time expense or will you need future funding? Does the project have additional funding sources?
3. Program Longevity - Is this program/project repeatable? How and by whom would the project continue in the future?
4. Impact - What are the environmental costs and benefits associated with this project? How will this project impact students educationally?
5. **Alignment with CLC’s Carbon Neutrality Goals** - Please review the Climate Commitment and Green Efforts for the College and identify how your project aligns with these goals (available on the CLC Go Green website: [www.clcillinois.edu/gogreen](http://www.clcillinois.edu/gogreen)).

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**College of Lake County**  
**Green Fund Proposal Application**

**Project Leader**

First Name: __________________________ Last Name: __________________________

E-Mail Address: __________________________

Permanent Phone: __________________________ Cell Phone: __________________________

*Please share any relevant information, qualifications and experience about the project leader, which is directly related to this Green Fund Initiative request.*

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**Project Name:** __________________________

**Project Start Date:** ________________ **Project Completion Date:** ________________

**Abstract** *Please provide a description of the project in 250 words or less*

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**Budget**  
Is this a one-time funding request, or will this project require on-going funding? If on-going funding is required, please specify the on-going costs for the project, and how long this project will require funding.
In addition to your Green Fund project request, are you receiving or applying for any additional funding from outside organizations or entities? If yes, please specify amount being received from the organization/entity, and what their funding will be used for in this project.

List all budget items for which funding is being requested from the CLC Green Fund. Include cost and total amount for each item requested in the various categories.

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Please identify additional participants who will be working on this project, along with their specific roles and responsibilities in the project.
Identify clearly how this project will contribute to improved campus sustainability (increased conservation of energy or a particular resource, enhanced campus-wide understanding of environmental challenges and solutions, etc.)

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What quantifiable sustainability impacts will your project have and what will be the cost savings to the campus?

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How will you measure the impacts after your project is implemented in order to determine if you have met your goal?

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If your project team is partnering with other individuals, organizations or departments, please explain their involvement and include their contact information below:

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Organization, if applicable: ________________________
Campus department, if applicable: ________________________
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