Bike Parking on Campus

In 2008, Facilities and Services asked the Student Sustainability Committee for funding for a bicycle parking project involving three locations: Freer Hall, the Agricultural Engineering Sciences Building, and the Undergraduate Library. The Student Sustainability Committee approved the grant request to be completed by November 2009, and allowed for a total of $10,600 to be used toward the new bicycle facilities.

For Freer Hall, $4,407.79 of the grant was spent, which included the costs of removing existing “donut-hole” style parking, installing 21 “U-loop” racks, and core-drilling into existing concrete. For the Undergrad Library, a total of $5,381.13 of the grant was spent, covering the cost of removing eight benches, and installing six 8-bike racks. For the Agricultural Engineering Sciences Building, a total of $811.08 was spent, covering the fees of installing one 10-bike rack. Each of these locations also assumes some of the cost of the labor and production of Student Sustainability Committee signs, which were in turn applied to the bike racks.

The impacts are already visible: the racks at the Undergraduate Library are nearly always full, while the racks at Freer are used by not only students at Freer Hall, but students living at the Busey-Evans Residence hall as well. The Agricultural Engineering Sciences Building rack also remains full throughout the day. Below are included several pictures from each location.
The project is being publicized by the attached signs to the bike racks. In addition, a press release is being drafted to include both photos and the information about the new rack locations and funding used to pay for them.

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