PROGRAM FACT SHEET

Revolving Loan Fund

The Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) was established in 2011 as a financing source for utility conservation projects requested by departments with less than a ten-year payback period. The savings from steam, electricity, chilled or potable water costs are paid back annually, based on initially calculated savings.

The RLF will ask for new project suggestions at the beginning of the academic year when there is at least \$1M in reserve to allocate. Submitted projects will be reviewed by Facilities & Services before undergoing a selection process by the Academic Facilities Maintenance Fund Assessment (AFMFA) Conservation Board.

Facility managers are encouraged to recommend potential qualifying projects, using the online submittal at go.illinois.edu/rlf. If selected, a project will be funded 100% from the RLF.

SELECTION CRITERIA

There are five selection criteria used by the AFMFA Conservation Board when determining allocations for RLF projects:

- 1. Payback Period Project has a short payback period.
- **2. Reduction of Coal** Project reduces the use of steam, which may reduce the use of coal.
- **3. Fund Size Impact** Project increases the fund size through grants or additional allocations.
- **4. Visibility** Project is highly visible to users of the facility/space.
- **5. Project Coordination** Project leverages multiple funding sources to achieve a greater impact or reduce administrative workload.

PREVIOUSLY FUNDED RLF PROJECTS

Lighting Retrofit	\$1.5M
Occupancy Sensors	\$250K

INITIAL CONTRIBUTORS

The Office of the Chancellor	\$1.0M
Student Sustainability Committee (SSC)	
The Office of the President	\$750K





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