



STUDENT SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Funding Award and Acceptance Letter

February 20, 2017

Project: Root to Roof

Dear Dr. Miller:

On behalf of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Student Sustainability Committee (SSC), I would like to thank you for considering the funds raised by the Sustainable Campus Environment Fee to implement a project that improves the sustainability of our campus. SSC is pleased to inform you that we are recommending to the Institute for Sustainability, Energy, and Environment (ISEE) that your project **receives \$94,750 in grant funding**.

In order to remain eligible for this award, you must agree to the following conditions:

1. A final report of all work completed should be provided to the SSC Program Advisor by May 31, 2019.
2. Project status updates and detailed account statements must be provided at the end of each semester until the project is completed.
3. The CFOP provided for this award shall strictly be used for the money awarded in this proposal.
4. Any substantial modifications to project scope, budget, or timeline must first be approved by SSC. These requests must be submitted in a formal letter to the Chair and Program Advisor.
5. All projects will be expected to follow campus policies and procedures as well as any applicable State and Federal laws.
6. SSC reserves the right to revoke funding if the project does not comply with the terms and conditions outlined in this letter.
7. Any press releases or educational/promotional materials involving the project should acknowledge SSC funding.
8. Any signage involving the project or events surrounding this project should include SSC's logo and/or a statement of which fee funded the project. Projects must coordinate with SSC to ensure promotion appropriately highlights the SSC's contributions to the project.
9. Projects must participate in the Campus Sustainability Symposium at least once before June 30, 2020.

If you agree to the terms and conditions for the funding, please sign on the designated line at the bottom of this letter. If you have any questions regarding these requirements please contact the Chair, Paul Couston, at [pcousto2@illinois.edu](mailto:pcousto2@illinois.edu) or the SSC Coordinator, Micah Kenfield, at [kenfield@illinois.edu](mailto:kenfield@illinois.edu). You will be notified when the Institute for Sustainability, Energy, and Environment and Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs officially approves this project. Again, thank you for your interest in improving the sustainability of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. We look forward to working with you in the future.



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**SSC Signatories**

Paul Couston, Chair  
Student Sustainability Committee

Ashley Yu, Treasurer  
Student Sustainability Committee

**Awardee Signatory**

Mr. Lowell Miller  
Applicant

**iSEE Signatory**

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## Project Information

**Project:** Root to Roof

**Funding Source:** Sustainable Campus Environment Fee

**Funding Amount:** \$94,475

**Receiving Campus Unit:** Department of Architecture

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### Project Description:

Root to Roof is a program established to educate students about the sustainability and availability of urban wood for the design and fabrication of furniture, outdoor installations, homes and buildings. It does this through harvesting waste timber from campus and the City of Urbana and milling it to become usable lumber.

Milling material locally produces hundreds of pounds of CO<sub>2</sub> annually compared to tens of thousands to buy the same material from all over the USA. This also allows the Root to Roof program to utilize otherwise useful material for beneficial projects instead of that very same material being shredded into mulch. This creates a net gain of carbon sequestration locally.

As this program expands it will be setting progressive goals for sustainability and urban wood utilization through selling wood back to the F&S Mill and Carpentry shops for use campus wide and using this material to fabricate indoor and outdoor items for campus use.

This proposal directly funds:

1. Milling Equipment
2. Facility Upgrades to Accommodate New Equipment
3. Student Labor for Fabrication Coordination and Training