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Student Sustainability Committee & Coordinator

Dear Student Sustainability Committee,

On behalf of the Zero Waste SWATeam, we would like to formally support the Illini Union Recycling Center Shadow Boxes project funded by the SSC and led by Louis Sommesi and David Guth.

The 2020 iCAP has tasked the Zero Waste SWATeam with promoting and achieving an overall reduction in campus waste. This means innovating within our existing infrastructure to encourage a zero-waste culture on campus. The project to add shadowboxes onto existing recycling bins is a simple addition will improve recycling efforts across campus. The 2020 iCAP objective of the Zero Waste SWATeam to reduce landfill waste is not achievable without continued support for initiatives such as these. Additionally, it utilizes the skills of local artists and fosters student engagement with campus sustainability and waste reduction. The union, a highly utilized and high-traffic area, serves as a perfect pilot project for this method of engagement in our journey to zero-waste culture.

After a team discussion of this project, the Zero Waste SWATeam supports the SSC funding for this project.

Best,

Zero Waste SWATeam

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