



## STUDENT SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

### Semesterly Report

*Thank you for your commitment to green initiatives at the University of Illinois. One of the ongoing requirements listed in the terms of the funding agreement for your project is the submission of semesterly reports with key information about your project. In addition to this form, please provide additional financial documentation and/or progress photos if available.*

*Please be as accurate as possible in describing the project (including possible setbacks or challenges in meeting the initial goals of the project). Not fully meeting your project's goals will not disqualify you from making future funding requests as long as your reports are as complete and accurate as possible. If you have any questions, please contact the Student Sustainability Committee, at [sustainability-committee@illinois.edu](mailto:sustainability-committee@illinois.edu).*

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**Project Name:** Bike and Ped Counters

**Date of Report Submission:** 1/18/2022

**Project Purpose:**

**Bike and Ped Counters**

The Champaign Urbana Urbanized Area Transportation Study (CUUATS) had been awarded \$35,000 by IDOT (for the MCORE project) to purchase and install counters (to automatically count pedestrian and bike traffic) along the identified MCORE corridors. This project proposal is to collaborate with CUUATS to install these counters, which will support future research, projects, and policy. There are 12 predetermined locations where the counters need to be installed. Three locations have been identified to install the Eco-Counters:

1. Illini Union (one at North of Green Street and one at South of Green Street) – Installed and online since March 2020
2. Intersection of Armory Avenue and Sixth Street – Planned installation date of August 2021
3. Intersection of Wright Street and Healey Street – Planned installation date of August 2021

This SSC funding will be used for the installation of the Eco-Counter installation at these two locations. The remaining funds will be used to purchase and install additional bicycle and pedestrian counters for the other pre-determined MCORE corridors.

**Detailed Accounting of Expenditures to Date:**

A new CFOAPAL, with remaining funds, was created for Bike and Ped Counters in May 2021: 1-304479-701-SSC Bike and Ped Counters.

We installed 2 Eco-Counters (1 set) at the intersection of Wright Street and Healey Street. The cost for installation came out to be \$6,345.17.

We also purchased 2 new Eco-Counters (1 set) in fall 2021 for \$14,149.

We spent \$666.90 more from the allotted SSC funding. This over expenditure will be paid using the F&S TDM account. We have initiated a transfer to balance this account.

#### **Project Progress to Date:**

So far, we have installed Eco-Counter pedestrian and bicycle counter at the Illini Union location and the intersection of Wright Street and Healey Street. We have also purchased a new set of Eco-Counter to be installed at the intersection of Green and Goodwin. We have utilized all available funding for this project. We will use the F&S TDM account to cover the over expenditure for this project.

We will install the counters at the intersection of Armory Avenue and Sixth Street and at the intersection of Green and Goodwin in spring 2022 using the TDM funds. This project will be completed after the installation of Eco-Counters at these two locations.

We have auto data transmission for all Eco-Counters and we are reporting monthly data on the [iCAP Portal](#) and the [F&S website](#). We also display the monthly data for bicycle counts at this location (and others, when available) on the [Bike at Illinois website](#).

#### **Student Involvement and Outreach to Date:**

Students were involved in identifying the need for this project as well as determining the locations to place the Eco-Counters. The data collected from Eco-Counter will help us make our streets better for pedestrians, bicyclists, and all other modes of transportation.

#### **Marketing and Promotion Efforts to Date:**

The Eco-Counter at Illini Union (North and South of Green St) was installed in March 2020, and F&S had published it in the Customer Relations E-Update newsletter. F&S had also reported this project in the [progress report on the 2014 Campus Bicycle Plan](#) and published the report on the F&S website, Bike at Illinois website, and the iCAP Portal. F&S has also included the Eco-Counter in the Bicycle Initiatives section of the [Biking page on the F&S website](#).

#### **Additional Comments:**

We have initiated a transfer to balance out this account. Once this transfer is completed, I will submit a final report. I will also update the SSC once the Eco-Counters at the other two locations have been installed. We are very grateful for SSC's continued support to enhance our students' transportation experience on campus as well as SSC's continued patience with this project.