



Student Sustainability Committee Funding Award Letter



May 28, 2024

Project: Illinois Solar Decathlon Build Project

Rachel Chen,

The University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign Student Sustainability Committee (SSC) is pleased to inform you that your project has received approval from the Institute for Sustainability, Energy, and Environment (iSEE), and the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs.

The Student Sustainability Committee is proud to award **\$150,000.00** in grant funding for the **Illinois Solar Decathlon Build Project**.

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

1. The project must be completed within two years of the funding awarded. A final report of all work completed, a full list of expenditures, and a detailed sustainability impact report must be provided to the SSC Advisor by **05/05/2026** or project completion, whichever comes first.
2. Project status updates, and detailed account statements must be provided at the end of each semester until the project is completed.
3. The Primary Applicant will be the individual responsible for all official communication and the execution of this agreement.
4. The Project Unit Financial Contact must submit the prescribed FPI form for the assignment of a Chart, Fund, Organization, and Program code (CFOP) within four weeks of receipt of this letter. The CFOP established for this award shall strictly be used to award the funds to this proposal.
5. Any substantial modifications to the project, including alterations to the budget, timeline, project lead, and project direction, must be submitted within a scope change form. A majority vote of the SSC must approve scope changes.
6. All projects are expected to follow university policies and procedures as well as any applicable local, state, and federal laws.
7. The sponsoring department is responsible for all equipment purchased with SSC funds. Equipment should be inventoried according to institutional procedures and should be returned to the department, as applicable, when not in use by the project team.
8. SSC reserves the right to revoke funding if the project does not comply with the terms and conditions outlined in this letter.
9. Any press releases or educational/promotional materials involving the project must acknowledge SSC funding.
10. Any marketing, including but not limited to advertising, signs, and digital ads, involving the project or events surrounding this project must 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.

Project: Illinois Solar Decathlon Build Project

Funding Source: SCEF (303692)

Funding Requested: \$150,000.00

Funding Allocated: \$150,000.00

Primary Unit of the Project: Electrical and Computer Engineering

Unit Financial Contact: Andrew Stillwell

Project Description:

The Illinois Solar Decathlon Build Team is building and designing a home for a low-income family chosen by Habitat for Humanity. Our core principles behind our project are net zero energy emission, renewable energy, environmental sustainability, and affordability. Additionally, the team is planning on competing in the 2025 Solar Decathlon Build Challenge, Gateway Decathlon, Buildner, or similar competitions. The project will continue to update the Student Sustainability Committee (SSC) as the project and competition situation progresses. The project site for this construction is 272 Keystone, Rantoul, IL. The project's purpose is not only to build an environmentally resilient home but to educate students on the green technologies that can be applied in the modern-day construction industry. After completion, the home will be donated to a low-income family matched by Habitat for Humanity of Champaign County.

Project Category:

Energy

This proposal directly funds:

1. Foundations (excavation, concrete, formwork, etc.)
2. House Materials (framing, insulation, siding, roofing, cabinetry)

Funding Approval

Student Sustainability Committee, Chairperson

Claire Keating

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05/29/2024

Name

Signature

Date

Institute for Sustainability, Energy and Environment, Director

Jennifer Fraterrigo

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Signature

Date

Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

Danita Brown Young

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05/30/2024

Name

Signature

Date

Funding Acknowledgement

By signing below, I agree to the terms and conditions for this award. If you have any questions regarding these requirements, please contact the Student Sustainability Committee Advisor at ssc-advisor@illinois.edu.

Award Recipient

Eshana Jain

Eshana Jain

06/08/2024

Name

Signature

Date

Project Advisor Signature (Student-Led Projects Only)

Andrew Stillwell

Andrew Stillwell

06/11/2024

Name

Signature

Date









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