

# Student Sustainability Committee Funding Award Letter



May 5, 2023

Project: Cultivating Indigenous Gardens within the Southern Arboretum Woodlands

#### Kevin:

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 \$149,320.00 in grant funding for Cultivating Indigenous Gardens within the Southern Arboretum Woodlands.

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

- 1. The project must be completed within two years of the funding being 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 4/30/2025 or project completion.
- 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 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 CFOP within four weeks of receipt of this letter. The CFOP established for this award shall strictly be used for the awarded funds of this proposal.
- 5. Any substantial modifications to the project must be submitted within a scope change form, including modifications to the budget, timeline, project lead, and project direction. A majority vote of the SSC must approve scope changes.
- 6. All projects must follow university policies and procedures and applicable local, state, and federal laws.
- 7. SSC reserves the right to revoke funding if the project does not comply with the terms and conditions outlined in this letter.
- 8. Any press releases or educational/promotional materials involving the project must acknowledge SSC funding.
- 9. 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: Cultivating Indigenous Gardens within the Southern Arboretum Woodlands

Funding Source: Sustainable Campus Environment Fee

Funding Requested: \$149,320.00

Funding Allocated: \$149,320.00

**Primary Unit of the Project:** Natural Resources & Environmental Sciences

**Unit Financial Contact:** Kelly Sullan

### **Project Description:**

The project has been funded with two previous grants. This grant will build upon the previous projects and add additional elements of restoration. Working closely with trial partners, Vice Chancellor Jacki Rand will serve as a liaison to assure the restoration is collaborative with native communities. The project will serve as an educational model for indigenous culture and sustainable land management. The project will start with site preparation in the Fall of 2023 and is budgeted to continue until the summer of 2025.

#### This proposal directly funds:

- 1. Website and Interactive Map development/maintenance
- 2. Signage and Outreach/Education Programs
- 3. 2 Years of Student Wages
- 4. Academic Professional 50% Appointment shared w/Arboretum
- 5. Plant Material and General Supplies

## **Funding Approval**

Student Sustainability Committee, Chairperson Jack Reicherts **Jack Reicherts** 05/05/2023 Name Signature Date **Associate Director for Campus Sustainability** Jennifer Fraterrigo 05/10/2023 Name Date **Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs** 05/10/2023 Danita Brown Young Name Signature **Funding Acknowledgement** By signing below, I agree to the terms and conditions for this award. If you have any questions regarding these requirements, please get in touch with the Student Sustainability Committee Advisor at ssc-advisor@illinois.edu. **Award Recipient** Kevin McSweeney Kevin McSweeney 05/11/2023 Signature Name **Project Advisor Signature** (Student-Led Projects Only)

Date

Signature

Name