



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.

Project Name: Restoration of the Low Mow Area at Orchard Downs Housing Facility

Date of Report Submission: May 5th, 2023

Project Purpose:

The Orchard Downs Project is a student-led initiative to turn a low-mow zone into a native prairie. This restoration would increase the biodiversity of the surrounding area and provide habitat for pollinators and wildlife. In addition, to the environmental benefits it will provide students with an opportunity to learn about native prairies and ecological restoration.

Detailed Accounting of Expenditures to Date:

*None this semester

Project Progress to Date:

In the updated timeline, we didn't plan to spend anything for this semester. We did a lot more behind-the-scenes preparation for the coming semesters.

Student Involvement and Outreach to Date:

Approximately 40 students have been involved in the project since it was initiated

Marketing and Promotion Efforts to Date:

We have posted pictures and advertised plot events on our social media accounts.

Additional Comments:

Most of this semester was spent getting our funding back, as the project expired. A lot of the original timeline was delayed due to covid and exec board turnover. We also got in contact with

Facilities and Services and have made plans for next semester to really get going on removals and herbicide.