

Funding Award and Acceptance Letter

May 11, 2015

Project Leaders: Ben McCall Project: Illini Bike Share Program

Dear Mr. McCall:

On behalf of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Student Sustainability Committee (SSC), I would like to thank you for considering the funds raised by the Sustainable Campus Environment Fee to implement a project that improves the sustainability of our campus. SSC is pleased to inform you that we are recommending to the Institute for Sustainability, Energy, and Environment (iSEE) that the Illini Bike Share Program project receives \$86,795.00 in grant funding.

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

- 1. A final report of all work completed should be provided to the SSC Program Advisor by May 2, 2017.
- 2. Project status updates and detailed account statements must be provided at the end of each semester until the project is completed.
- 3. Any substantial modifications to project scope, budget, or timeline must first be approved by SSC. These requests must be submitted in a formal letter to the Chair and Program Advisor.
- 4. The implementation plan for this project will be developed in consultation with the Student Sustainability Committee, via the SSC Chair or designee.
- 5. All projects will be expected to follow campus policies and procedures as well as any applicable State and Federal laws.
- 6. SSC reserves the right to revoke funding if the project does not comply with the terms and conditions outlined in this letter.
- 7. Any signage involving the project or events surrounding this project should include SSC's logo and/or a statement of which fee funded the project.
- 8. Any press releases or educational/promotional materials involving the project should acknowledge SSC funding. Projects must communicate with the SSC's External Vice Chair to come up with appropriate marketing for the project.
- 9. Projects must participate in the Campus Sustainability Symposium at least once before June 30, 2018.

If you agree to the terms and conditions for the funding, please sign on the designated line at the bottom of this letter. If you have any questions regarding these requirements please contact the Chair, Amy Liu, at amy.linqin.liu@gmail.com or the SSC Program Advisor, Micah Kenfield, at kenfield@illinois.edu. You will be notified when the Institute for Sustainability, Energy, and Environment officially approves this project. Again, thank you for your interest in improving the sustainability of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. We look forward to working with you in the future.



SSC Signatories

Amy Liu, Chair

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Project Information

Project: Illini Bike Share

Funding Source: Sustainable Campus Environment Fee

Funding Amount: \$86,795

Award Code: 1-303692-508000-508029

Receiving Campus Unit: Institute for Sustainability, Energy, and Environment

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Project Description:

In Spring 2011, SSC funded a bike sharing feasibility study, and it established a three-tier approach to bike sharing. However, it was found that no improvements to developing a bike sharing could begin until the bike infrastructure was significantly improved. In the last 4 years, there have been vast improvements and new infrastructure plans are continuing to be implemented.

The UIUC Pilot Bike Share program is a proposal for a two year pilot bike share program. This pilot program will be a 50 bike fleet. It will be using a new approach to bike sharing through smart locks. Smart locks contain all the technology for the bike-sharing program linked to a smart phone. The smart locks will allow for versatility in the type of bikes to use within the system and where the bikes could be located. iSEE is exploring a collaboration with BitLock for the smart locks and Neutral Cycle for the bikes.

This two-year pilot bike-sharing program is in with collaboration with CUMTD, City of Urbana, City of Champaign, and CUPHD (CU Bike Share Task Force) in creating a bike share program on campus that can be scalable into the community. The desired outcome is to design a bike share program that is equitable and gives students the best access to traveling around campus, while reducing our carbon footprint.