

Greening IUPUI Grants Funded for 2011

Some funding is contingent upon further refinement of the details of the application.

1. University Library and Campus Center – 4 Water Bottle Fill Stations - **\$11,000**
2. CYC Rainwater Recycling and Rain Barrel Demonstration Project - **\$400**
3. Moving and Greening: Why Not Both? - **\$2,600**
4. Re-Usable Water Bottle Promotion - **\$1,200**
5. Sculptural Bike Racks - **\$5,000**
6. Earth Day @ IUPUI - **\$5,768**
7. Healthy High Performance Cleaning Program - **\$6,950**
8. IUPUI Urban Garden Initiative - **\$2,471**
9. Geo Tea – making organic fertilizer - **\$5000**, plus sampling and research - **\$2500**

Total - \$42, 889

Nine sustainability projects ranging from water bottle fill stations to sculptural bike parking to IUPUI Earth Day events will begin late this spring at IUPUI with Greening IUPUI grant support.

The 2011 Grant proposals marked the third round of Greening IUPUI grant awards, designed to fund student, faculty, and staff led initiatives which will “green” IUPUI by advancing the Sustainability Principles. Each year IUPUI is providing up to \$50,000 in grant funding. Grants are for projects or activities that will reduce the environmental impact of IUPUI’s campus either through learning and teaching or instituting “green” behavior.

This year there were eleven grant applications submitted. The review committee consisted of members:

Kenneth Greene	Student Representative
David Craig	Religious Studies
Pat Fox	Engineering and Technology
Kara Salazar	Center for Earth and Environmental Science (CEES)
Camy Broeker	Budget Office – Finance and Administration
John Kamman	Campus Facility Services
Rich Strong	Environmental Health and Safety

The 2011 projects include:

- Installation of two water bottle filler stations in the Library Building and two in the Campus Center. Installing the stations in high use areas on campus will reduce the need for bottled water, consequently reducing plastic consumption on campus. \$11,000
- The Office for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion will develop a workshop to create rain barrels for the Center for Young Children and others. The collected rainwater will be used at the Center for Young Children for a garden which will be developed by the Student Sustainability Council with assistance from DIGS. \$400
- The Office of Human Resources Administration will be evaluated to reduce paper waste and create green efficiencies in the office. After their office has been evaluated and changes and training have taken place the office will utilize their new knowledge to train other campus offices in green behavior. This project has been awarded up to \$2600 if needed.
- The re-usable water bottles with the Sustainability logo will be developed as promotional items for sustainability related events. This project has been awarded up to \$1200 if needed.
- Herron School of Art & Design will develop a means for students to submit designs for and construction of sculptural bike racks for IUPUI. The chosen designs will have green themes or make use of recycled material in a creative and unique way. Bike racks are needed in many areas on campus and will help support green transportation. The IUPUI Sustainability Steering Committee will work with a Herron professor and the University Architect’s Office to develop plans for bike rack placement on campus. \$5000.
- The Student Sustainability Council will complete a greening project for the Center for Young Children and plan an Earth Day Celebration. The council plans to conduct an energy audit,

create environmental education projects, and evaluate and enhance recycling at the Center for Young Children. As part of the Earth Day event they will have a Town Hall meeting and assist in building a garden at the Center for Young Children. \$5768

- Campus Facility Services will develop a healthy high performance cleaning program to minimize the environmental, health and safety impact of cleaning chemicals. As part of the program they will use environmentally friendly cleaning chemicals, supplies and equipment. \$6950
- The IUPUI Urban Garden Initiative will develop on-site informational signage, electronic newsletters, and the Urban Garden Guide which will be utilized as teaching tools. They will also receive funding for next year to start the planting cycle. \$2471.
- Campus Facility Services will conduct a pilot project to investigate the use of organic material to replace the fertilizer currently used on campus. The project will test the use of Geo Tea that will be manufactured on campus as an organic fertilizer that is sustainable and environmentally friendly. This project has potentially long-term implications for cost-savings and reducing the campus' carbon footprint. A research component to sample soil during the process is also funded. \$7500