
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: 3- YEAR BUDGET AND FINANCES OF STUDENT LEAF

TO: AVP OF FINANCE, MICHELLE QUINN AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN COLORADO
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of two board members, the President and Public Relations Officer, pre-approved by the AVP of Finance, Michelle Quinn. All other board positions remained on a volunteer basis.

What can we expect from Student LEAF in Year 3?

As we round out our third year of Student LEAF, we have a number of projects in our proposal pipeline set for implementation. Additionally, we have a series of educational and student engagement efforts as we close our final semester.

Current Projects:

- Powersol umbrellas (~19 on campus) to generate additional solar energy in outdoor spaces for students and the campus community
- Additional recycling receptacles around campus to increase our recycling efforts
- Campus Recreation Center Bag Ass Fans to cool buildings without AC while contributing to HVAC efficiency and reduced energy costs during high volume events
- Water bottle filling stations/ drinking fountains throughout various campus buildings
- Wise Acre Farm to demonstrate sustainable concepts in real life situations

Educational Efforts:

- In partnership with Dining Services, a vigorous educational campaign around recycling/composting around campus with additional recycling receptacles
- Earth Week Educational Series on environmental racism with Diversity Mentors in residence halls

Research Efforts:

- Conducted a successful and completed case study by Treasurer (Cyrus Fernandez) around Student "Perceptions of Sustainability and University Responsibility" program assessment and evaluation with the intent to publish
- Generated a cross-sectional survey around student perceptions of sustainability and recycling/composting. Treasurer (Cyrus Fernandez) and delivered the UNCO student body with a 53% response rate
- Currently working with Dining Services to create a complimentary survey around sustainability to be sent to faculty and staff

Student Engagements:

- Our biggest event, Earth Week, contains a whole week of engagement efforts geared towards raising awareness of sustainability and an opportunity to field interest on possible initiatives

Recommendation

Taking all of what Student LEAF has accomplished within our three year existence, I believe Student LEAF is right on track with building a campus community around sustainability. Our finance report reflects our deep

