

Funding Award and Acceptance Letter

October 26, 2017

Project: Red Oak Rain Garden 2.0

Dear Mx. Brown:

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 your project receives \$9,000 in grant funding. This fully funds all items on your proposal.

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 Coordinator by January 31, 2020.
- 2. Project status updates and detailed account statements must be provided at the end of each semester until the project is completed.
- 3. The CFOP provided for this award shall strictly be used for the money awarded in this proposal.
- 4. 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 Coordinator.
- 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 press releases or educational/promotional materials involving the project should acknowledge SSC funding.
- 8. 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. Projects must coordinate with SSC to ensure promotion appropriately highlights the SSC's contributions to the project.
- 9. Before the project is implemented, project leaders must consult a horticulturist who specializes in native plants about the plant selection.

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, Julia Chang, at jchang3@illinois.edu or the SSC Coordinator, Cathy Liebowitz, at cwl1517@illinois.edu. You will be notified when the Institute for Sustainability, Energy, and Environment and Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs 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

Juila Chang, Chair Student Systainability Committee

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Project Information

Project: Red Oak Rain Garden 2.0 (Student-Led Project)

Funding Source: Sustainable Campus Environment Fee

Funding Amount: \$9,000

Receiving Campus Unit: University of Illinois Extension

Unit Financial Contact: Lisa Merrifield

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Project Description:

Red Oak Rain Garden 2.0 restores the original Red Oak Rain Garden that was established 10 years ago to address the flooding issue between McKinley Health Center and Allen Hall. Students will work alongside faculty, staff, and community members to plant specific plants that provide multiseason flooding protection. This project aims to increase awareness surrounding horticulture and natural flooding management while addressing an infrastructural issue on campus.

This project provides financial support to purchase plants, signage, training materials, and hardscape. The plant species are specifically chosen for maximum efficiency and learning. Likewise, the signage will allow the passerby to identify native species. University of Illinois Extension Master Gardeners will support the garden while students are on academic breaks and provide Red Bison, a student-led organization, with rain garden training.

This proposal directly funds:

- 1. Rain Garden Plants
- 2. Hardscape
- 3. Signage
- 4. Outreach Materials