Services and Activities Fee Committee
Application for 2008-09 Long-Term Funding

Instructions: Please complete this worksheet to request funding for a new project that will have financial implications for more than one fiscal year.

Today’s Date: January 17, 2007
Project Title: Campus Recycling
Campus Affiliation: Student Sustainability Club
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1. Please provide a brief (150 words or less) overview of the project.

   One of the most obvious holes in the developing fabric of sustainability on campus is the lack of any outdoor can and bottle recycling options for students. While options exist in classrooms, offices, and common spaces, students would like to provide more convenient options—especially on the Promenade. In addition to cans and bottles, students purchase coffee in cups that are compostable, but only three collection stations are currently available.

2. Please discuss the need for this project, including data that might support or justify your proposal. Estimate how many currently enrolled students will likely benefit from your proposed service or program.

   Facilities staff have discovered that, on most days, recyclable cans and bottles disposed of in regular trash cans around campus can easily fill up to an entire garbage can. Conveniently located containers on pathways frequented by students would help to reduce waste at UW Bothell. Each receptacle runs $900, and we propose to purchase 10 of them ($9,000 total). While many students bring reusable mugs for purchasing coffee on campus, the far majority do not. We propose to purchase 12 additional compostable containers and liners ($3,000 total) in order to help reduce unnecessary landfill.
3. What are some examples of best practices associated with your proposal (e.g., successful ideas from other schools)?

Students have always been at the core of recycling efforts on many campuses over the years. This is certainly true in Washington state. It is reported that ASUW has paid for some of the costs associated with expanded recycling efforts on the Seattle campus.

4. Please indicate other sources of financial support (if any), amount, and how you arrived at this figure.

The university has indicated support for helping to fund additional recycling receptacles and for picking up the costs of purchasing the compostable liners for coffee cups in future years.

5. Please discuss the specific recommendations (e.g., facilities, staffing, capital expenses, operating expenses, recurring expenses, etc.) for your project. Include written estimates for capital expenses and estimated operating budgets.

Purchase 10 recycling receptacles @ $900 = $9,000
Purchase 12 containers for compostable coffee cups @ $181 = $2,200
Purchase the liners for the compostable cups $700
Tax and shipping = $1,500
**Total requested = $13,400**

6. How do you plan to assess/evaluate the success of your proposed project?

The net change in the number of cans, bottles, and coffee cups being recycled compared to current levels will be measured.