Campus Sustainability Fund Final Report

1.0 - Project Report

1.1 - Project Title:

Increasing waste diversion rates of UVic family housing

1.2 - Report Prepared by:

Please indicate which leader is the main contact person

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1.3 - Key Accomplishments

Please describe your projects key accomplishments.

After two months of the project's implementation, the pilot revealed an average 11.3 percentage point increase in waste diversion. This has been primarily due to the huge increase in the amount of food waste that is being composted.

1.4 - Student Learning:

Please describe how the expected student learning opportunities were realized.

- I was able to experience firsthand the development of the sustainability project from inception, to approval, to pilot, to evaluation, and finally to full-scale implementation. This project demonstrated for me how effective policy could create meaningful changes for the community and environment.
- Within the project's educational outreach venues, many students within the UVic Family Housing community have demonstrated their interest in making informed waste disposal decisions by asking questions about the various waste streams requirements.



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1.5 - Goal Acquisition:

Was the project goal achieved? In answering please describe the how the project effected the relevant stakeholders and where the project is currently.

The program goal is to meet or exceed UVic's pledge of a 75% diversion rate by 2019.

The latest waste diversion rate measured was in November 2018, and the average waste diversion rate between the two pilot waste compounds reached 56.10%. This is an increase of approximately 11 percentage points from the pre-pilot baseline measurement taken 2 months before.

We are awaiting the end of year waste audit to determine if the project was successful in reaching the 75% waste diversion target.

Through first hand reports, Project Lead, Afnan Al-Hashimi received feedback from various members of the UVic Family Housing community:

- Many participants demonstrated their satisfaction with the educational outreach event in raising awareness about appropriate waste disposal procedures.
- One pilot participant demonstrated their satisfaction with the sorting-at-source bins, and how helpful they were in the waste disposal process.
- One pilot participant agreed that the sorting-at-source bins simplified the sorting process, but getting the bins to the common waste disposal facility was a barrier to their participation.

Stakeholders within the UVic Office of Campus Planning & Sustainability, UVic Facilities Management, and UVic Residence Facilities have demonstrated their satisfaction with the effectiveness of the pilot.

1.6 - Long Term Consequences:

How will this project be continued and its accomplishments carried forward?

The project has currently been approved for full-scale implementation throughout the entire UVic Family Housing Complex. Project Lead, Chad Dalrymple, is awaiting approval to hire a Family Student Housing staff person before purchasing the sorting-at-source bins and fully implementing the program.

1.7 - Lesson's learned:

What advice would you give others attempting similar projects through Sustainability Fund?

Ensure that your project's performance metrics are aligned with or approved by current UVic program measurement initiatives.



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1.8 - Timeline:

Please provide the actual project start and end dates

Start Date	End Date
March 20, 2018	December 10, 2018
(Date of project approval)	(Pilot close out meeting)

1.9 - Feedback

Do you have any feedback for the Office of Campus Planning and Sustainability or the Sustainability Fund Application Review Committee regarding your experience with the Fund?

I recommend that Project Leads be kept informed about the developments regarding their proposed programs, even after the project end date. I also recommend that Project Leads be considered as possible candidates to support the project, even after the project end date.

2.0 - Project Financials

2.1 – Budget

Please provide a completed final budget describing how the budget provide was actually spent. Please provide receipts for any expenses that have not yet been claimed through the Office of Campus Planning and Sustainability.

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Item	Cost
Bins	\$2,089.02
Gift Cards	\$200.00
Printing	\$928.85
Total:	\$3,217.87

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Any questions please contact:

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