

UIS Green Project Letter of Intent- Step 1

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Once completed and saved to your device, return to the Green Projects website at <http://www.uis.edu/greenprojects/get-involved/>

Click the hyperlink titled, **“Submit your completed UIS Green Project LOI”**
This can be found under **Step 1** of the “Submit a Green Project Proposal” section.

You will be redirected to an external WebQ. Upload your completed application by the deadline which can be found in the **“Timeline”** section of the Green Projects website.

If you have any questions regarding the application or submission process, please contact us at greenprojects@uis.edu.

Project Name:

Contact Information:

Project Team

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Project Information:

Please provide a brief description of the project. What are the goals and the desired outcomes of the project?
The goal of this project is to get rid of the plastic straws that we have in the Student Union. Researching into something like paper straws or straws that are biodegradable would be more sustainable than the ones we have there currently.

Please describe why this project matters to you and how it relates to sustainability.

Buying a reuseable straw for everyone is a good idea, however, the percentage of students that are actually going to use the straw, remember to bring it, or wash it or remember that it is in their bag is going to be rather small. We need straws of convenience. This will get rid of any potentially harmful waste in the ocean as well as in the land fill. Students use many, many straws every single day, this is a small project that could bring real change on campus, even if no one can see it.

Where will the project be located?

Student Union

Please provide a brief summary of how students will be involved in or affected by the project:

Students will affect the project buy just using the straws that are provided to them.

Please provide a brief summary of the project timeline (Most approved projects are proposed in the Fall and implemented in the Spring)

I don't believe that finding a good biodegradable straw will take too long, we could implement this at the beginning of January

Please provide a brief itemized breakdown of the funds needed.

Biodegradable straws:

<https://crewsupplyco.com/products/bulk-straws> This is a good site for the straws

\$54 (4000 straws)

X6 (about 2,000 students may be using the straws upwards of 3x a day)

\$324

Plus any taxes and shipping

\$50

\$374 TOTAL

Do you have any suggestions for how we could measure the success of this project?

I say we just make sure to keep up on asking how many straws they have to gauge how much the students are using.

Additional comments:

Any additional comments/relevant information about the project proposal