

**President's Green Grant:
Empowering the Union College community to make a greener world**

Request for Proposals – Due October 17

Do you have a great idea that would make Union more sustainable? U Sustain, Union College's committee on sustainability, is pleased to announce the President's Green Grant Program. *We are accepting proposals for projects that fall into one of the following categories:*

- 1) Campus projects: These are projects that will make Union more sustainable in such areas as energy use, recycling, transportation, or dining, among others;
- 2) Research projects: These are projects that will make specific contributions to sustainability at the regional or national level.

Grant guidelines:

- Funding requests can be up to \$2000
- Proposals should be no more than 3 pages, and include specific information detailing *rationale, project/research plan, anticipated outcomes, detailed budget and timeline*. Please include Green Grant Application Form as a Cover Sheet.
- Students, faculty and staff are welcomed to apply; each new project will be considered, regardless of whether or not the individuals have been funded before. However, preference will be given to individuals or groups who are first-time applicants.
- Campus projects will be funded based on the likely benefit to campus sustainability and the project's feasibility; research projects will be funded based on the benefit to regional or national sustainability and the project's feasibility.
- The duration of project is flexible, though funded projects are not eligible for funding in subsequent years.
- Grants will not be made retroactively (e.g. to reimburse).
- Grant awardees will provide a written report to the President and U Sustain upon completion of the project.

Proposals should be emailed as a PDF file to sustain@union.edu by October 17, 2008

Examples of potential projects:

- Purchase of supplies to promote recycling or other environmental programs on campus
- Purchase of supplies that stress reuse and waste reduction, such as reusable water bottles or coffee mugs
- Purchase of supplies to decrease auto emissions, such as encouraging carpooling, or conversion of campus vehicles to biodiesel
- Research to improve renewable energy or green building technology
- Research to study and restore habitats degraded by human activities

Be creative, and make that great idea you have a reality!!

Questions about eligibility or proposal format can be sent to Jeff Corbin at sustain@union.edu.

President's Green Grant Application Form

Contact Name: _____

Contact E-mail: _____

Proposed Project Title:

Project Category (please select one):

- 1) Campus project _____
- 2) Research project _____

**Amount of support requested
(include a detailed budget in the proposal):** \$ _____

Executive summary of proposed project (100 words or fewer):