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Template for Strategic Investment Funding Proposals, FY 2018

Proposals must be submitted to the YSU Budget Office, no later than February 1, 2018

Section I: Proposal name and contact information

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| Title / name of proposal: | Student Government Association Water Bottle Refill Stations |
| Contact person name and title: | Rayann Atway; Student Government Association President |
| E-mail address: | ratway@student.ysu.edu |
| Phone number: | 330-727-9236 |

Section II: Approvals of the appropriate College Dean and/or Division Officer

To certify that the proposal is aligned with the strategic objectives of the department, college or division, signature approvals are required by the appropriate Department Chair or Director, College Dean, and/or area division officer, i.e., Provost, Vice President, Associate VP.

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| Signature of Dept. Chair or Director: | |
| Name (printed/typed): | ERIN DRISCOLL |
| Title: | DIRECTOR / STUDENT ACTIVITIES / SGA ADVISOR |
| Date: | 2/1/18 |
| Signature of Dean (if applicable): | |
| Name (printed/typed): | |
| Title: | |
| Date: | |
| Signature of Division Officer: | |
| Name (printed/typed): | Eddie Howard |
| Title: | Vice President for Student Affairs |
| Date: | 1/31/18 |

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Section II: Description of the proposal and its alignment with the YSU 2020 Strategic Plan

Please summarize the proposal and specify how it aligns with the YSU 2020 Strategic Plan.

Youngstown State University's 2020 Strategic Plan places emphasis on accountability and sustainability. In 2014, the Student Government Association (SGA) identified that a healthier and more cost-effective alternative could be made available to students in place of buying bottled beverages. Since, SGA has spent several years pursuing a more environmentally sustainable campus. This has been demonstrated by working towards having water bottle refill stations installed in each of the academic buildings and residence halls on Youngstown State University's campus. Water bottle refill stations directly correlate to sustainability by reducing plastic waste and aiding the use of more sustainable water bottles. With this funding from the Strategic Investment fund, SGA plans to install water bottle refill stations in the following buildings: Lincoln Building, Phelps Building, Sweeney Hall, Meshel Hall, Fok Hall, Tod Hall, Jones Hall, and Building 200 of the University Courtyard Apartments.

Section III: Shared governance and stakeholder engagement

Was the proposal developed collaboratively and with input from all stakeholders? Please describe the process used to develop your proposal.

The Student Government Association Executive Board meets weekly to discuss updates and new ideas that will improve our university outlook and create a more inclusive campus for the students and faculty. When the Strategic Investment Funding Proposals were released, our idea to add more water bottle refill stations was unanimous amongst SGA's Executive Board. Since, this idea has been endorsed by the Assessment and Enrichment Committee and Legislative Assembly of SGA. Providing additional water bottle refill stations will benefit all members of the University community.



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Section IV: Return on Investment

If applicable, describe how the proposal may generate new revenue to support related expenses or other strategic initiatives. If there are benefits other than revenue-generation, whether tangible or otherwise, you may also describe those.

The costs of the stations are worth the investment based on student interest alone. In 2014, SGA administered student surveys to confirm the need for these fountains, and the students overwhelmingly responded in favor of installing water bottle refill stations. The students also reported that they were unsatisfied with the outdated water fountains on campus, thus reaffirming the need to install the stations. The new stations will serve as a great way to increase potential savings for students and YSU. They will allow students to continue to reduce their reliance on plastic water bottles and will decrease unnecessary waste. Since the installation of the first stations, the YSU Recycling Department has noticed a significant decline in water bottles recycled near the stations and over 226,000 water bottles have been refilled. This estimation is perceived to be relatively low, due to usage data resetting each time a station is unplugged. Additionally, the water bottle refill stations immediately showcase the university's dedication to environmental sustainability to prospective students and their families.

Section V: Proposed funding amount requested (NOTE: Available strategic investment funds are one-time dollars left over from the prior fiscal year. Consequently, proposals requiring multi-year funding will require additional consideration.)

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| Single year funding request: | \$7,352 | (Each station quoted at \$919 x 8 stations) |
| Multi-year funding request (if applicable): | \$ | No. of years: |

Section VI: Space utilization and/or modification

If applicable, describe any special and/or additional building or space requirements that would be needed to pursue your proposal.

Installing the water bottle refill stations would require minimal space as each would either replace a current water fountain, or be installed in a building location in which a water bottle refill station can be efficiently instituted.



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Section VII: Personnel costs / additions

If applicable, explain any additional costs associated with the need to add staffing and/or faculty resources required to pursue your proposal.

The projected costs of installing the water bottle refill stations are minimal. The only costs projected are departmental labor fees incurred by installing the water bottle refill stations to existing water fountain locations which will be completed by the University's Facilities Department.

Section VIII: Enterprise risk management

If applicable, describe the risk mitigated by your proposal, or the risk elevated if your proposal is not funded.

By installing water bottle refilling stations, we are continuing to promote sustainability by reducing waste. This initiative would provide the means to a healthier and more self-sufficient campus by mitigating the risk created from the disposal of plastic waste.



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| HTHB-HAC8PV-WF | Halsey Taylor Filtered Water Cooler with HydroBoost | 4 | \$ 919.00 | \$ 3,676.00 |
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