## Student Sustainability Council Meeting Minutes 2/17/2020

Taken by: Claire Hilbrecht

- 1. Beginning of Meeting
- a. 7:00 Reading of the Preamble and Introductions
- 1. Proposal Presentations
- a. 7:03- Design Society Presentation Begins
- b. 7:13 Design Society Presentation Ends and Q&A Begins
  - a. Is the Design Society as an organization helping or just you two?
    - i. There are two other leaders and 15-20 students in the organization
    - ii. It is a great opportunity for students; there will be a speech for students outlying the process
  - b. Can you speak to the relationship between UK and the Parachute Factory
    - We have had shows from UK students and professors; we bring on student and alumnae interns and volunteers
  - c. Fundraising clarification- is the budget including fundraising
    - The Parachute Factory fundraised \$1,300; most of the money will go toward a mural designed by the local artist
  - d. Is wood commonly used for wheelchair ramps
    - i. Yes
  - e. Did you all look at the price of solid concrete
    - i. Yes, but it would be so much more expensive
- c. 7:20- Design Society Q&A Ends

- d. 7:20 UFI Tree Week Presentation Begins
- e. 7:31-UFI Tree Week Presentation Ends and Q&A Begins
- f. 7:31 UFI Tree Week Q&A Ends
- g. 7:32 Quantifying Microplastics Presentation Begins
- h. 7:40 Quantifying Microplastics Presentation Ends and Q&A Begins
  - a. You are trying to determine which areas of campus have the most plastic, correct?
    - i. Yes
  - b. What are you using for your control
    - Thinking about the Arboretum, but that may change; will be higher topography, higher up from water table and less developed
  - c. What is your timeline for presenting the info
    - There are several groups on campus who would be interested in receiving the info, with a timeline of the project being ready by mid October
  - d. SGA would be interested in these data
  - e. How many samples can you process with those materials
    - i. Approximately 100
  - f. How do you foresee your info being used as a solution
    - i. In informing some type of management
  - g. Can you differentiate the different plastic sources and types
    - i. No
    - ii. The College of Engineering may have one
  - h. Are you exploring this methodology yourself

- Yes, but it is a simple process and I have done lots of research prior to engaging with the methodology
- i. 7:47- Motion to extend by Joel, 2nd- Cameron
- j. Where will the materials from the membrane go
  - i. Onto a tray and do a randomized selection of the different grids
- k. Are you taking any water samples
  - i. No, but I wish
- i. 7:49 Quantifying Microplastics Q&A Ends

#### 3. Proposal Discussions

- a. 7:54 Discussion of Design Society begins
  - i. Did they meet the funding requirement as per the Constitution
    - The fact that they reduced the cost so much counts as seeking funding;
       they also had a GoFundMe page
  - ii. Connection to sustainability is tenuous at best- wood doesn't necessarily mean sustainable
    - 1. They have a weak grasp of sustainability
  - iii. The economic equity and the social inclusion aspects of their application are strong
    - 1. Supporting local artists and bringing the design students in
  - iv. The environmental stewardship portion is weak but it is important to support the arts and inclusion
  - v. Was suspicious at first but probably putting too much weight into the pillar of the environment
  - vi. Could transportation help with funding

- 1. Perhaps some
- vii. Student involvement and connection to UK
  - 1. Good opportunity for design students
  - Similar to tree stand in McConnell Springs that design students worked on; have a precedent of funding projects off campus
  - 3. The space itself is used for student ideas that are sometimes sustainableart piece of renewable materials
- viii. Could the design school help fund this
  - They had meetings with the college of design but can assume that they

    were unfruitful
- b. 8:02- Discussion of Design Society ends
- c. 8:02 Motion to vote on Design Society (Motion by Joel, 2<sup>nd</sup>- Cameron)

VOTE RESULTS - PASSED Yes [14] No [4] Abstain [1]

#### PROPOSAL #1 VOTING RECORD

Name	Y/N/ A	Name	Y/N/ A	Name	Y/N/ A
Josh Ehl	N	Cameron Luker	Υ	Isabel Jenkins	N
Sophie Beavin	N	Kristen Gould		Edward Lo	Α
Beth Evers	Υ	Joel Huether	Y	Megan Reinhart	Y
Camille Harn	Υ	Sam Leuthold	Υ		
Bethany Schagane		Alyssa Archer			
Jake Simanek	Υ	Brittany Lefebvre			
Bri Stanley	Υ	Madi Syndor	Υ		
Darren Tosh	N	Olivia Tussey	Y		
Claire Hilbrecht	Y	Sydney King			
Kelly Walker	Y	Ashlee Edmonson			

	v	Danielle	v	
Skyler Hornback	'	Doering	•	

Amount requested: \$6,784.00

Amount approved: \$6,784.00

If no, why:

I like the project, but I feel that the group could try a bit harder for fundraising the project (at the \$6000 cost, since they already had over \$1000 pledged) and then come back to us for partial funding.

I don't believe there's enough connection to environmental stewardship, and I also don't buy that this is going to help economic inequality- the night market is a pretty notorious example of gentrification in Lexington

I feel that the seeking of funds was not meet, being it was started funding in 2017 for a different idea. The Pillars was not strong enough for Sustainability funding for me. Great project just should not be all funded by this funding source.

not comfortable with spending student money on this project. want more correlation to UK students

- 8:04 Discussion of UFI Tree Week begins a.
  - 1. Tree Week is one of the most comprehensive displays of urban forestry information; it includes all of Lexington
  - 2. Issue with counting employee hours as 25% of funding
    - 1. Funding can be in kind; the professors that work for UFI do not have UFI as their full time jobs-donating a lot of their time
    - 2. Is the salary to support one person? Yes
  - 3. How well attended is Tree Week

#### 1. Very

- Worry about sustainability of this funding long term- could be problematic to fund someone's salary each year
  - 1. Language in the Constitution to help avoid problems here
- 5. Is the SSC logo included on any of their materials
  - 1. Yes
- b. 8:09- Discussion of UFI Tree Week ends
- c. 8:09 Motion to vote on UFI Tree Week (Motion by Claire, 2<sup>nd</sup>- Josh)

**VOTE RESULTS** - **PASSED** Yes [18] No [0] Abstain [1]

#### PROPOSAL #2 VOTING RECORD

Name	Y/N/ A	Name	Y/N/ A	Name	Y/N/ A
Josh Ehl	Y	Cameron Luker	А	Isabel Jenkins	Y
Sophie Beavin	Y	Kristen Gould		Edward Lo	Υ
Beth Evers	Υ	Joel Huether	Y	Megan Reinhart	Y
Camille Harn	Y	Sam Leuthold	Y		
Bethany Schagane		Alyssa Archer			
Jake Simanek	Υ	Brittany Lefebvre			
Bri Stanley	Υ	Madi Syndor	Y		
Darren Tosh	Y	Olivia Tussey	Y		
Claire Hilbrecht	Y	Sydney King			
Kelly Walker	Y	Ashlee Edmonson			
Skyler Hornback	Υ	Danielle Doering	Υ		

Amount requested: \$9,551.00

Amount approved: \$9,551.00

- d. 8:09 Discussion of Quantifying Microplastics begins
  - 1. Loved it!
  - 2. Have we historically funded research projects
    - 1. Historically by faculty, one of few that is student led
  - 3. The ideal student project
- e. 8:06- Discussion of Quantifying Microplastics ends
- f. 8:06 Motion to vote on Quantifying Microplastics (Motion by Josh, 2<sup>nd</sup>- Joel)

**VOTE RESULTS** - **PASSED** Yes [18] No [0] Abstain [1]

#### PROPOSAL #3 VOTING RECORD

Name	Y/N/ A	Name	Y/N/ A	Name	Y/N/ A
Josh Ehl	Y	Cameron Luker	Y	Isabel Jenkins	Y
Sophie Beavin	Y	Kristen Gould		Edward Lo	Υ
Beth Evers	Y	Joel Huether	Y	Megan Reinhart	Y
Camille Harn	Y	Sam Leuthold	Y		
Bethany Schagane		Alyssa Archer			
Jake Simanek	Α	Brittany Lefebvre			
Bri Stanley	Υ	Madi Syndor	Y		
Darren Tosh	Y	Olivia Tussey	Y		
Claire Hilbrecht	Y	Sydney King			
Kelly Walker	Y	Ashlee Edmonson			
Skyler Hornback	Υ	Danielle Doering	Υ		

Amount requested: \$631.00

Amount approved: \$631.00

#### **ATTENDANCE**

	P/		P/A		P/A
Name	Α	Name		Name	
Josh Ehl	Р	Cameron Luker	Р	Isabel Jenkins	Р
Sophie Beavin	Р	Kristen Gould	Α	Edward Lo	Р
Beth Evers	Р	Joel Huether	Р	Megan Reinhart	Р
Camille Harn	Р	Sam Leuthold	Р		
Bethany Schagane	Α	Alyssa Archer	Α		
Jake Simanek	Р	Brittany Lefebvre	Α		
Bri Stanley	Р	Madi Syndor	Р		
Darren Tosh	Р	Olivia Tussey	Р		
Claire Hilbrecht	Р	Sydney King	Α		
Kelly Walker	Р	Ashlee Edmonson	Α		
Skyler Hornback	Р	Danielle Doering	Р		

#### **Funding Application**

Before beginning the application process, please verify that you understand the terms and conditions for receiving funding from the SSC:

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- If approved, the project leader has twelve months to spend the funds. If the project requires an extension beyond this timeline, the project leader will need to submit an extension request.
- The money disbursed from this fund comes from student fees, so sustainability-related student impact is a necessary component for any proposal.
- Presenting the project to the Council is mandatory.
- In order to preserve the Council's ability to effectively review and consider proposals we are limited in the amount of proposals we may review per meeting. In the case that more proposals are received than can be reviewed for a given meeting, Council directors will decide which proposals are heard based on project timeline and order of submission.

I verify that I understand and accept these terms and conditions (please write Yes): YES

**Project title**: Accessibility for All at the Parachute Factory

**Organization:** The Design Society

Project leader name: Alexa King

Project leader email: alexa.king@uky.edu

Project leader additional contact information: Trevor Cox, trevor.cox@uky.edu

Total amount requested from the Council (round up to the nearest whole number): \$6,784

#### **UK affiliation (Student, Faculty or Staff):**

Alexa King – UK Graduate Student; Trevor Cox – UK Graduate Student; Bruce Swetnam – UK Faculty

Please fill out the following information about <u>yourself and any other individuals</u> involved on the project. Previous involvement with the SSC may include membership, funding requests, or involvement with an organization affiliated with the SSC. Answer to the best of your knowledge.

#### Please list the following information:

Name	Major/Department	Academic Year	Previous involvement
		Based on Project	with SSC
		Graduation Date	
Alexa King	Interior Design /	Project completion -	2018 - funded by
	Urban Design –	2020	SSC to attend
	Graduate Student -	Graduation - 2021	AASHE
	College of Design		
Trevor Cox	Architecture –	Project completion -	n/a
	Graduate Student –	2020	
	College of Design	Graduation - 2021	

**How did you hear about the SSC?:** I was funded by the SSC to attend the ASHEA conference in 2018.

Describe how your project relates to the three pillars of sustainability (environmental stewardship, economic equity, and social inclusion):

#### Social Inclusion Pillar:

The project is to build a handicap access ramp. The Parachute Factory is a non-profit organization that values art, culture, and its Lexington community. This non-profit serves as an art gallery that exhibits local artists. Also, the Parachute Factory's space is used for community engagement events. By building a ramp for people to easily access the Parachute Factory will enhance that public space as well as social inclusion for all

With help from the Student Sustainability Council, the funding will directly benefit the Lexington community. It has been disheartening for the Parachute Factory to not be able to invite community members who are wheelchair-bound, to their events and art exhibitions. We the Design Society, are offering free design work and labor to make art accessible for ALL. We want nothing more than to dedicate our semester to this project, so the Parachute Factory can truly fulfill their purpose to be an inclusive art and culture community center.

#### Environmental Stewardship:

Initially, Gray Construction designed the ramp to be made from concrete. Our alternative is to make it from wood. There are a few reasons why wood is more beneficial. Not only is concrete substantially more expensive, it also leaves a greater carbon footprint compared to wood. Wood is not only a natural resource; it carries high strength and tension in wood construction. Concrete is great in compression, but the method of construction would require in-cast construction. This means that the ramp would be there permanently. A benefit of the wood ramp, it is affordable

and can be easily repaired. Not only is wood sustainable environmentally, but it also is sustainable financially.

#### **Economic Equity:**

The Parachute Factory participates in the Night Market which occurs on the first Friday of each month. All vendors who participate in the Night Market are all local businesses. In 2018, three-thousand people went to the Night Market.

The ramp will bring more visitors to the Night Market and to the Parachute Factory, which allows income for the events and supports the local community. While the Parachute Factory is a non-profit, the artists who exhibit their work at the gallery benefit financially if the space is all-inclusive.

#### Please provide an in-depth description of your project:

"When people find an entrance difficult to navigate we are essentially blocking or barring access, Looking at this from a Civil Rights perspective is also informing. On an essential level, why purposely bar those of us who will only add to the creative potential of such an organization?"

#### **Bruce Burris**

Founder and former Director of Latitude Arts Community, Lexington KY

At The Parachute Factory, we prioritize eliminating all barriers that might keep our community from experiencing the art and events we host in our space—whether social, economic, or physical.

We know that our entryway is not accessible to those with physical disabilities, and it's vital for us that we eliminate that barrier.

Not only is there no wheelchair ramp for one to access our space, but our door—our only entrance—is too narrow for a wheelchair to enter through.

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Hello, my name is Alexa King and I am an Interior Design graduate student at the College of Design. Not only am I a graduate student, but I am the Vice President of a student organization known as the Design Society. The Design Society is a multi-disciplinary group of student designers (interior, architecture, engineering, and urban design), who wish to use their newly developed design skills towards community projects.

For our first community project, we are working with the Parachute Factory. The project is to build a handicap access ramp and entrance which includes a deck, stairs, and new door. Also, we will have to hire a master electrician to remove and relocate an electrical panel that is stationed where the proposed ramp will be.

Our contact is Sarah Brown, who is a Digital Media and Printmaking Instructor at the University of Kentucky and is the Cofounder and Gallery Director of the Parachute Factory. For the last few years, The Parachute Factory's goal is to build a ramp. They have sought out professional help; however, the costs to design and build by professional designers are expensive.

As of right now, we have the original iterative construction drawings and artist renderings drawn by Gray Construction. We the Design Society have completed the first draft of the estimate and material inventory needed to construct the ramp, deck, stairs, and new door.

The Design Society will start drawing the final construction documents for the ramp, deck, and stairs. We do have a licensed Architect, Bruce Swetnam, who will be overseeing and giving the final architectural stamp.

The Environmental Stewardship Fee is a \$4 per semester student tuition fee. Given that the SSC is in charge of distributing these funds, please describe your project's plan to maximize student impact:

Half of the staff at the Parachute Factory are professors at the University of Kentucky. In addition, the organization offers internship opportunities to Art and Design students.

Please list all groups that your project is intended to impact (Faculty/Staff, Graduate Students, Lexington Community, Undergraduate Students, UK Community as a Whole):

Lexington Community and the UK Community as a whole.

Please select the type of project that best describes your project. Mark all that apply:
□Campus Infrastructure
□ Conference
☐ Career Development
□ Education
□Award
Research
☐ Seminar/Speaker Series
⊠Other: Community Project
Please select up to three disciplinary categories that best describe your project:
☐ Agriculture/Food Systems
⊠ Arts/Architecture
□Campus Sustainability
□Economics/ Behavior
☐ Engineering
□ Entomology
⊠SSC- External

□ Forestry/Gardening/Landscaping			
□SSC- Internal			
□ Recycling/ Waste Management			
□ Solar Energy			
☐Water Conservation			
⊠Other: Non-profit			
□ Water Conservation			

The SSC is always seeking further outreach opportunities. Please place an X next to one or all of the following with your project to help us reach more people:

Green Talks Radio segment (recommended)
Feature SSC logo on promotional material X
Social Media Promotion
Other

Does this project require the approval of any outside or UK entity (Yes/No)?

Building permits are required from city. The city approved the ramp project when Gray Construction was going to build it. All we need to do is resubmit new drawings with update architect.

\*\* If yes, please include documentation of support at the end of this document.

Have this, or any related project, been funded by the SSC in this or previous years (Yes/No)?: If Yes, explain how this project differs from previously funded projects. Projects deemed as repeat projects by the council will be subject to the funding requirements under Article VII Section H of the SSC Constitution.

Please attach out an itemized budget for your project or complete the table below.

Category			
Material	4"x4"	18'	\$24
	2"x8"	220'	\$303
	2"x6"	130 - 10' boards	\$1,000
	Safety Tread		\$130
	Fasteners / 3" deck screws	3 boxes	\$90
	Post bases		\$187
	Brackets		\$42
	Railing		\$78
	Ballasts		\$140
	Wood Paneling		\$150
	Corrugated Plastic Paneling		\$200
	Hinges		\$30
	Door		\$250
	Outdoor LED lighting and channel		\$250
*Electrical Contractor	Electrical work		\$3,000
*Building permits	Permits		\$1,000
		Estimated total:	\$6,874

Are you willing to accept partial funding for this proposal? Yes

Please describe who will be in charge of dispensing the funds. If it is not a UK department, how will the funds be dispensed?:

-The College of Design – Kimberly Light - kimberly.light1@uky.edu

Does this project have any additional funding partners? If so, please list them and briefly describe their contribution and involvement:

The Parachute Factory is fundraising; however, their contribution at this point is not sufficient to jump start the project. The Parachute Factory will continue fundraise and contribute what they are able to. If the Design Society receives contribution from the Parachute Factory or receives funding from other sources, we will return that amount received from other funding sources back to SSC.

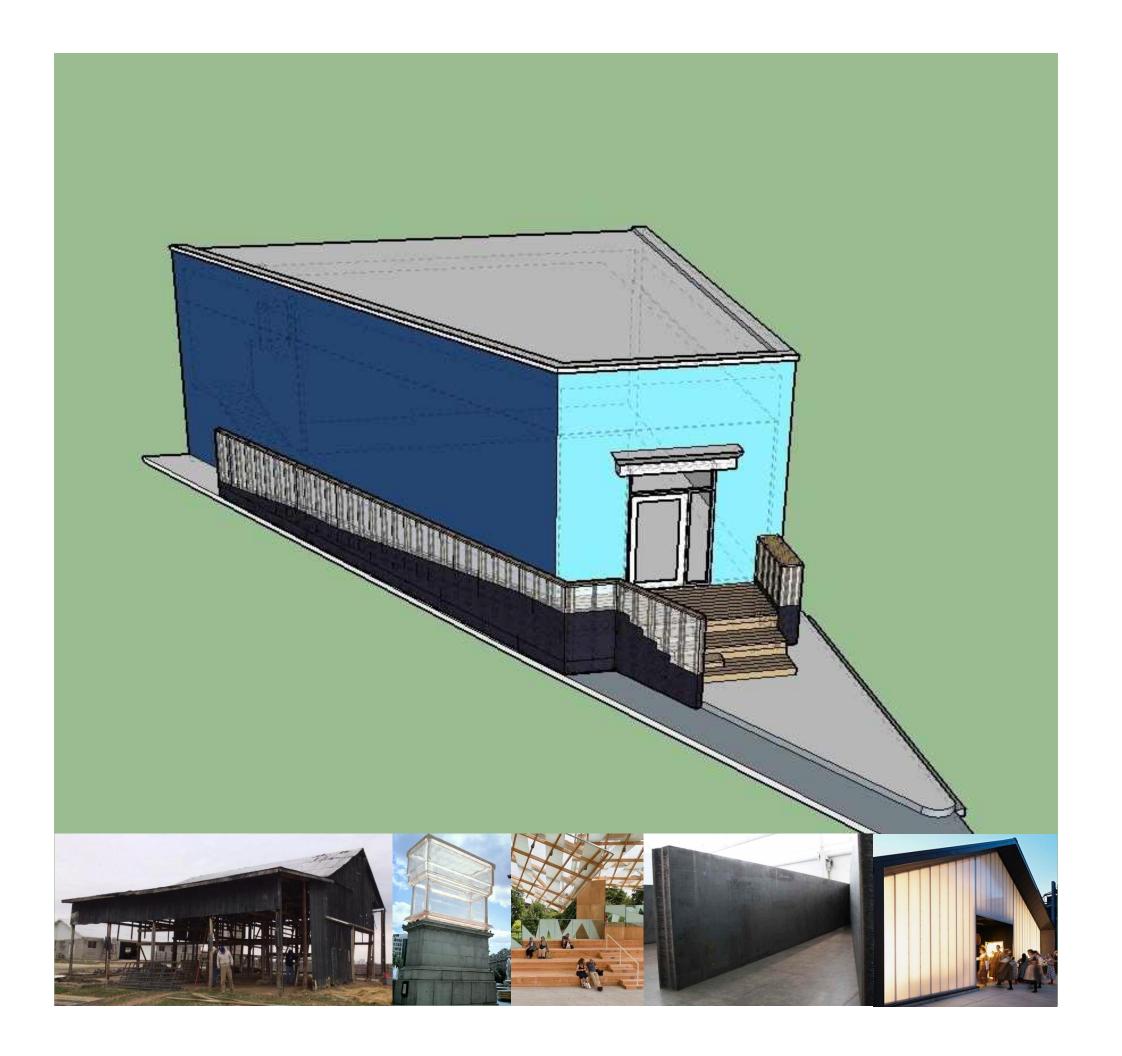
Use table below to provide a list of the major milestones of your project. This should include all relevant events to your proposals, such as dates for completion of key presentations and/or equipment purchases. Include project start and completion dates.

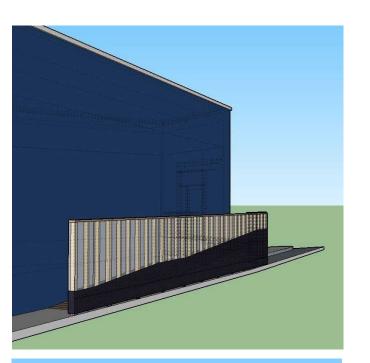
Date	Event Title	Brief Description
October,	Field & Client visit	Site visit to Parachute Factory to take
2019		measurements of the site and structure.
November	Estimate	Development of fabrication strategy and cost
'19 – January		estimate
'20		
February	Per-construction	Complete construction documents, obtain building
	schematics and permits	permits, and finish final digital model
March	Construction	Being prefabricating structural elements of the
		ramp off-site
March -	Construction	Within a three-day – S, M, & T between 3/18 to
April		4/10 being construction of ramp.

If your project timeline is greater than a month, please provide a date around the middle of the project when sufficient progress will have been made to update the SSC.:

<sup>\*\*</sup> Please attach supporting documents such as promotional material, letters of collaborative funding, or a budget spreadsheet, in addition to the budget provided previously. If you are working in partnership with a UK entity such as the Physical Plant Division, an academic department, etc., their letter of support should be uploaded here as well. Please only attach documents necessary to your proposal, so documents such as individual resumes or cover letters should not be included. All supporting documents should be in PDF format.:

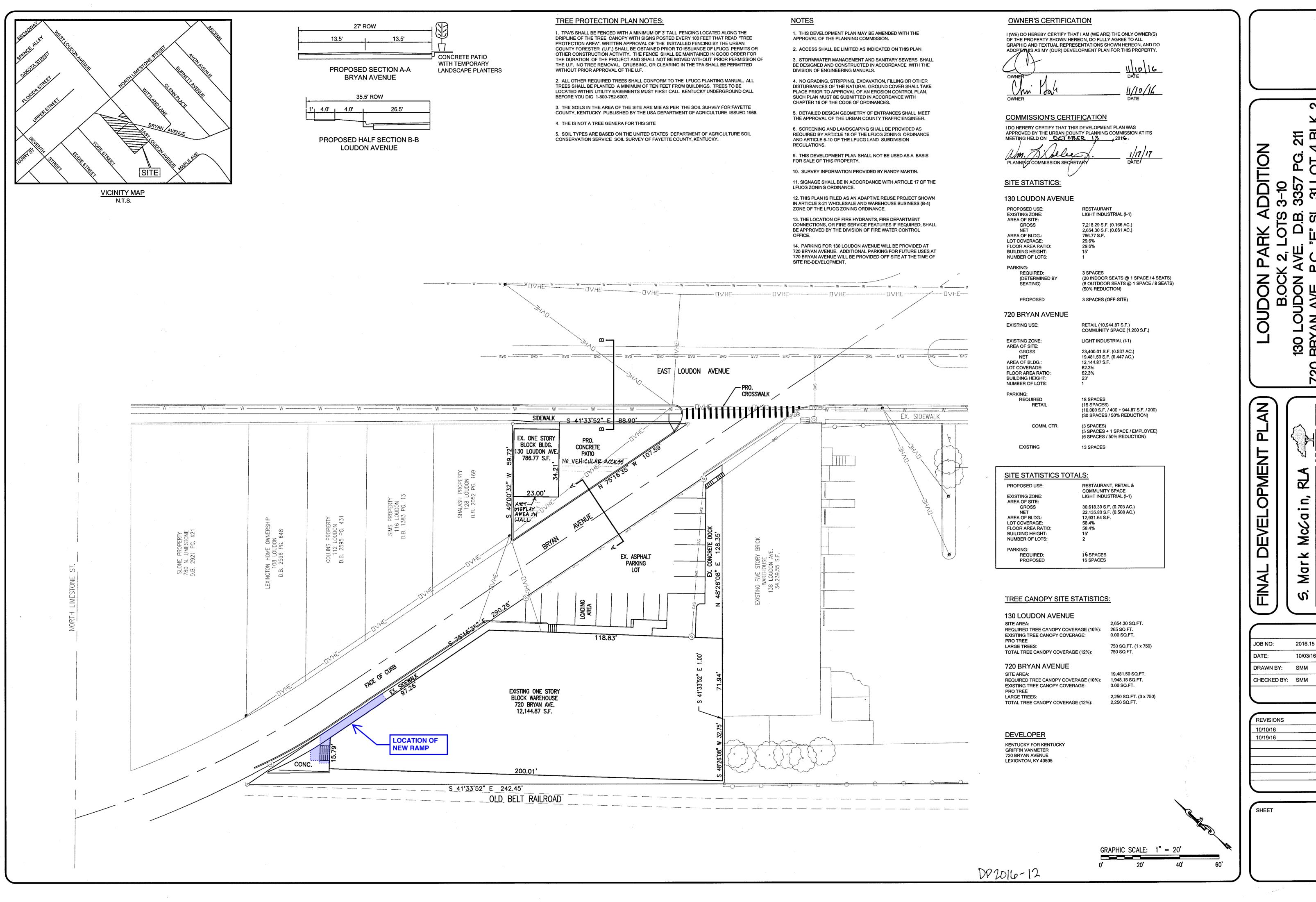
<sup>\*\*</sup> Please email your completed application to <a href="mailto:ukstudentsustainabilitycoucil@gmail.com">ukstudentsustainabilitycoucil@gmail.com</a>





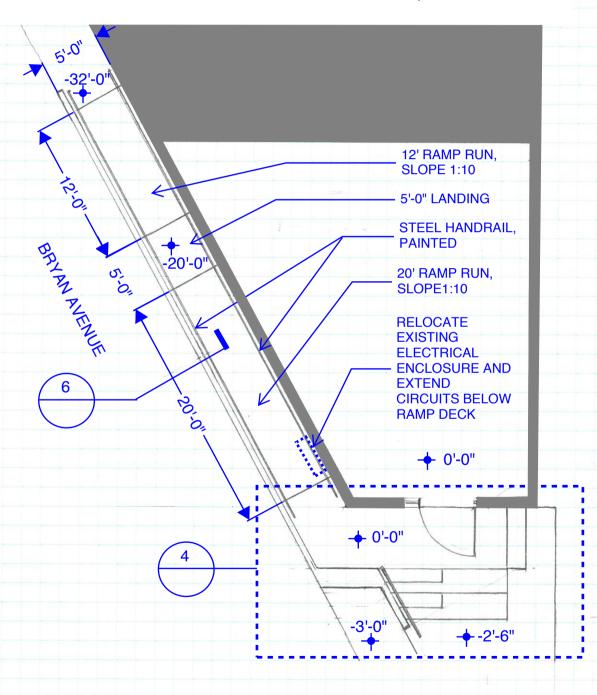




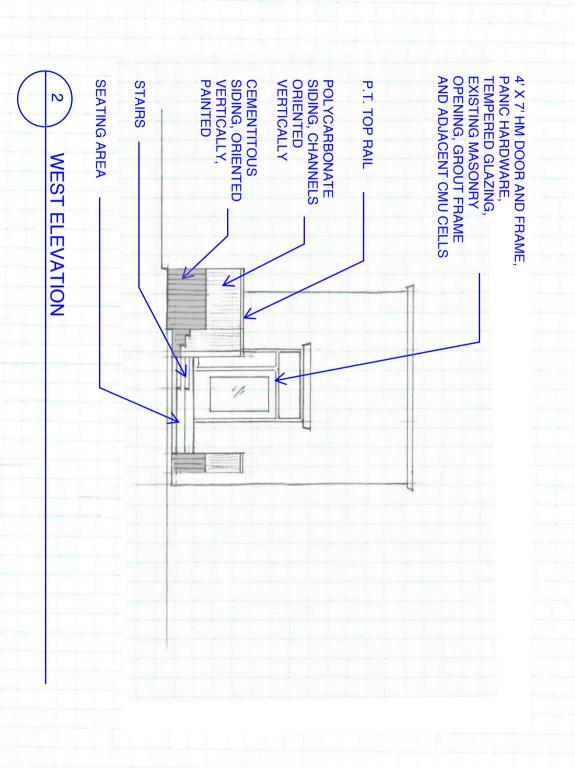


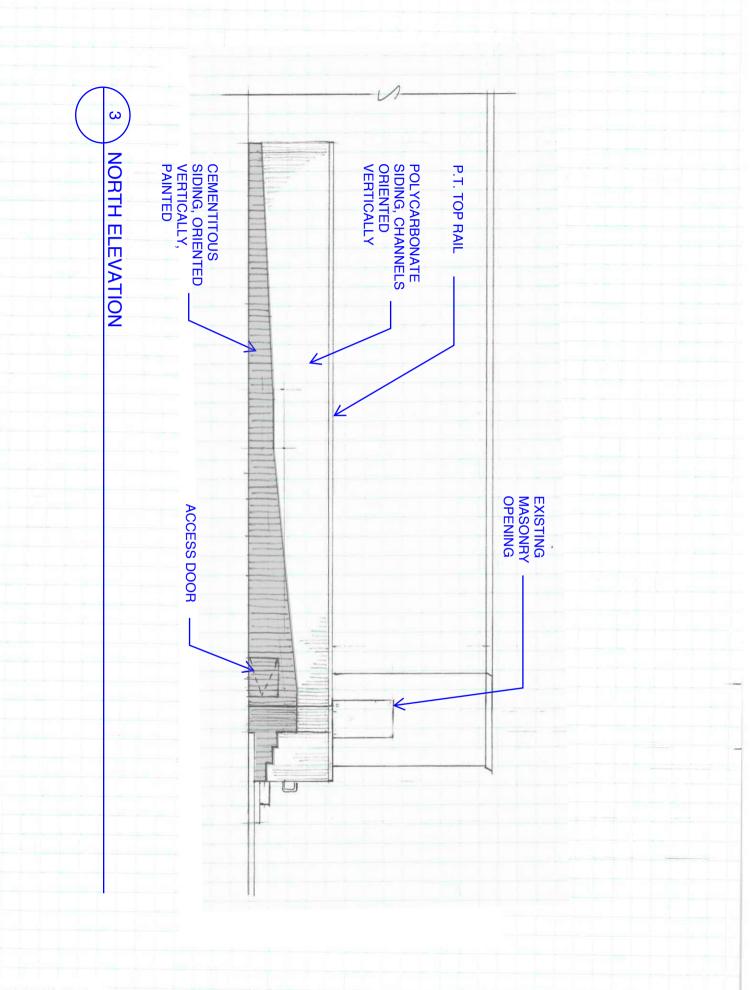
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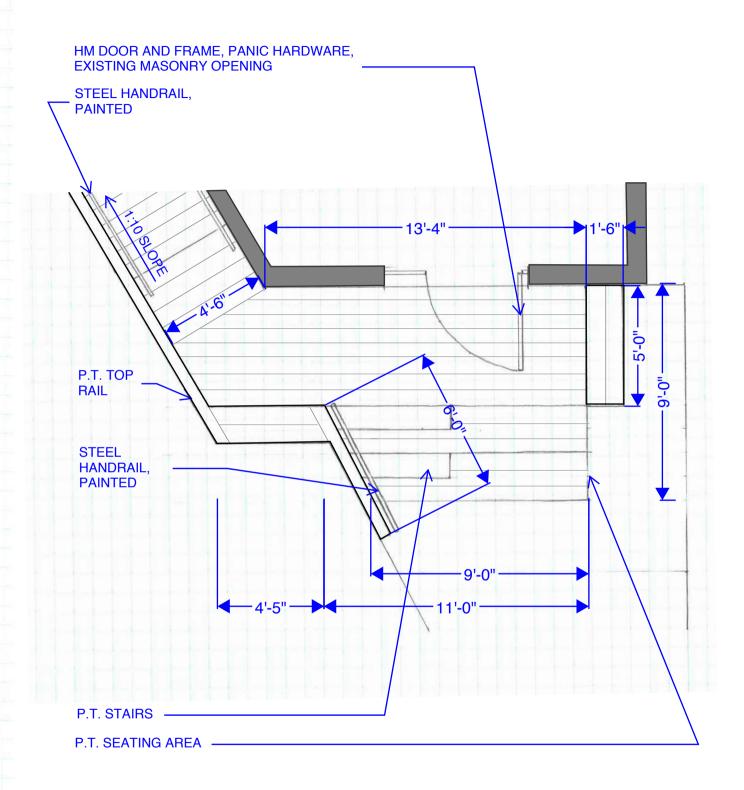


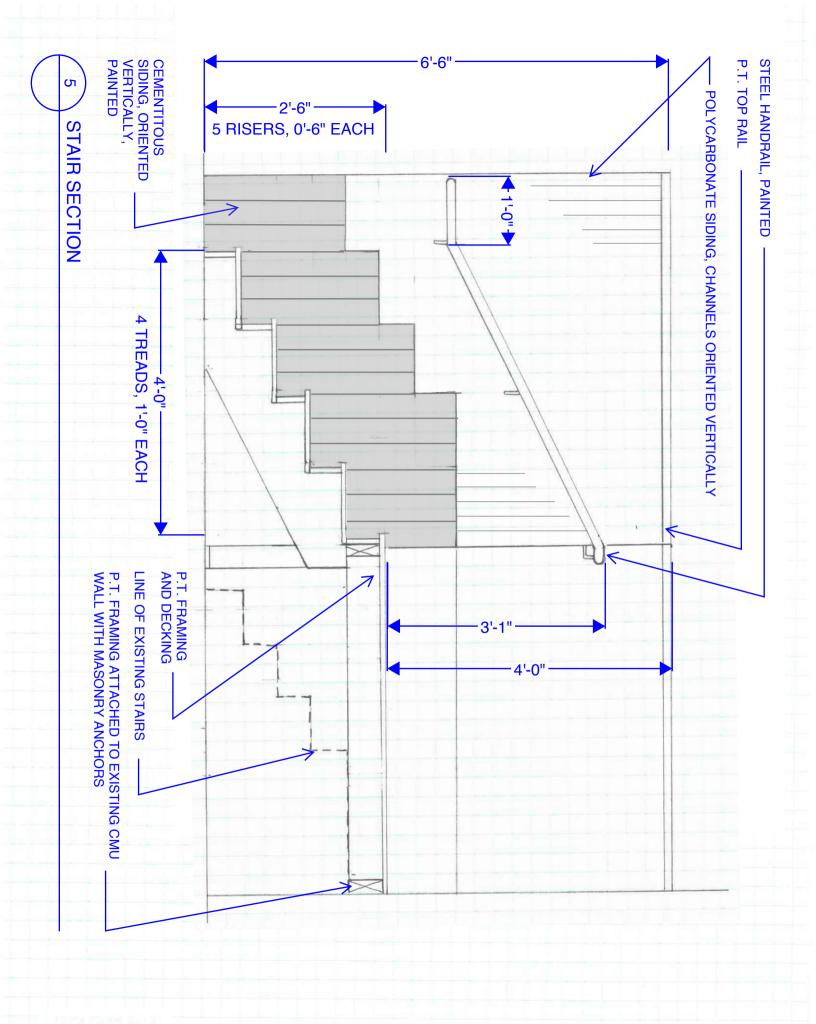


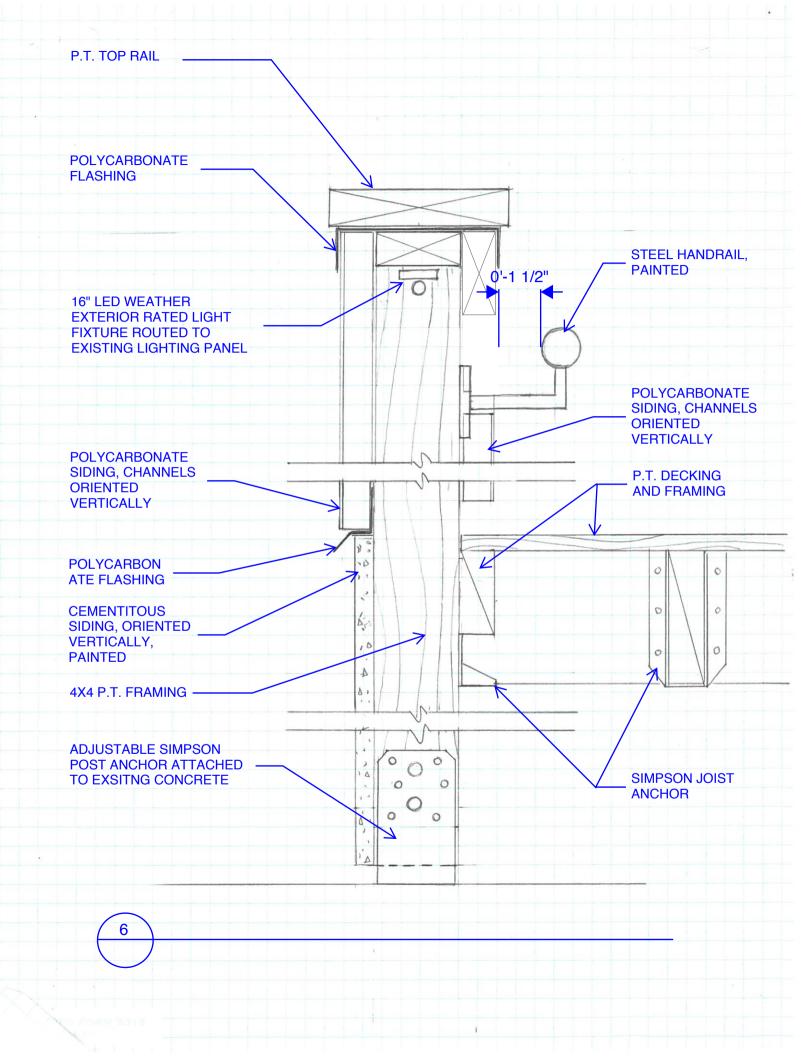
1 RAMP PLAN











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Project title: Tree Week 2020, October 10-17

Tree Week celebrates Lexington's trees and all the ways in which trees positively affect our lives. Our successes in 2018 (60 registered events) and 2019 (68 events) has encouraged UFI to continue the Tree Week tradition.

**Project leader name:** Lynne Rieske-Kinney, Urban Forest Initiative (UFI)

Project leader email: Lrieske@uky.edu

**Project leader additional contact information:** 

Lynne Rieske-Kinney (Prof, Dept of Entomology; Lrieske@uky.edu)

Mary Arthur (Prof., Forestry; marthur@uky.edu) Chris Sass (Assoc. Prof, LA; chris.sass@uky.edu)

Total amount requested from the Council (round up to the nearest whole number): \$9,551

UK affiliation (Student, Faculty or Staff): Faculty

Please fill out the following information about <u>yourself and any other individuals</u> involved on the project. Previous involvement with the SSC may include membership, funding requests, or involvement with an organization affiliated with the SSC. Answer to the best of your knowledge.

#### Please list the following information: The UFI core team

Name	Major/Department	Previous involvement with SSC
Mary Arthur	UFI co-Lead and Professor, Dept of	Funding requests
	Forestry	
Lynne Rieske-Kinney	UFI co-Lead and Professor, Dept of	Funding requests
	Entomology	
Chris Sass	UFI co-Lead and Assoc Professor,	
	Landscape Arch.	
Nic Williamson	UFI Coordinator	
Bryan Kist	UFI Outreach and Tree Inventory	
	Supervisor	
Cameron Luker	UFI intern	Current member; Funding request

#### How did you hear about the SSC?:

UFI has had many SSC members (current and past) as interns, in training workshops, and at various events. We've been very fortunate to have SSC support in the past.

#### Describe how your project relates to the three pillars of sustainability (environmental stewardship, economic equity, and social inclusion):

Many Tree Week events directly address the three pillars of sustainability. For instance, in 2018 UFI sponsored a Tree Week tree mulching event in Duncan Park, a city park in a high needs area on Lexington's north side, where UK students worked side-by-side with neighborhood residents to care for Lexington's urban tree canopy, demonstrating environmental stewardship, economic equity, and social inclusion. UFI has similarly sponsored mulching events with neighborhood engagement in Castlewood Park in 2017 and 2019. These community events bridge the three pillars of sustainability, in addition to the many other UFI-associated activities that include community support. We anticipate similar offerings in Tree Week 2020.

#### Please provide an in depth description of your project:

Tree Week was created in 2018 to celebrate Lexington's trees and all the ways in which trees positively affect our lives. During the inaugural Tree Week there were over 60 registered activities, and although we didn't track attendance, we do know that these activities engaged hundreds of attendees from the UK campus and greater Lexington communities. In 2019 we grew. Tree Week 2019 registered 68 events from 30 different sponsoring entities, and with about 1500 attendees. Many of these attendees were from the campus community, and at least 80 were UK students. [See supporting documents and visit <a href="https://ufi.ca.uky.edu/">https://ufi.ca.uky.edu/</a>].

Since its inception, UFI has provided significant support for Tree Week in the form of infrastructure and personnel, including web site development and maintenance, solicitation and registration of event hosts, development of an interactive event map, recruitment of volunteers, soliciting attendees, and tracking events and engagement. This proposal requests funds to support Tree Week 2020.

We request funds to support our UFI Outreach and Tree Inventory Supervisor, Bryan Kist, who spends significant time in support of Tree Week development and implementation. We are requesting monies to cover Bryan's salary (hourly rate + benefits) for his Tree Week associated effort leading up to, during, and following Tree Week. We also request additional funds to support development of miscellaneous promotion materials.

The Environmental Stewardship Fee is a \$4 per semester student tuition fee. Given that the SSC is in charge of distributing these funds, please describe your project's plan to maximize student impact:

All UFI activities, including Tree Week, are heavily reliant on student engagement. We will continue to engage the SSC, the UK student body, and the greater campus community in all our activities.

Please list all groups that your project is intended to impact (Faculty/Staff, Graduate Students, Lexington Community, Undergraduate Students, UK Community as a Whole):

The UK community, including students (undergrad and grad), staff, faculty; UK operations; the Lexington community.

## Please select the type of project that best describes your project. Mark all that apply:

☐ Recycling/ Waste Management

□Solar En	ergy	
□Water C	onservation	
$\boxtimes$ Other:	Community engagement	

#### The SSC is always seeking further outreach opportunities. Please place an X next to one or all of the following with your project to help us reach more people:

X Green Talks Radio segment (recommended) X Feature SSC logo on promotional material X Social Media Promotion Other

#### Does this project require the approval of any outside or UK entity (Yes/No)?

\*\* If yes, please include documentation of support at the end of this document. No.

#### Have this, or any related project, been funded by the SSC in this or previous years (Yes/No)?

The SSC has supported various UFI projects in the past; including help sponsoring the UFI seminar series, and support for our TreeCats workshops that engage students interested in educating and involving themselves in the urban tree canopy. This is our first request for Tree Week support, and we ask for monies to cover the considerable time spent by our UFI Outreach and Tree Inventory Supervisor, Bryan Kist, in Tree Week-associated activities (see itemized budget). We also request monies to support miscellaneous purchases associated with supporting Tree Week activities, including paper, copying, signposts, etc.

UFI does not have an established funding stream or a set budget, and Tree Week has no funding. We receive support in the form of personnel and partnerships from the Kentucky Division of Forestry and Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government. The larger UFI working group is also supportive of Tree Week activities by registering their events.

Please attach out an itemized budget for your project or complete the table below.

SSC budget	proposal for Tree Week 2020 su	ipport			
Dates	Descriptions	hrs/wk	no. wks	total hrs	
Apr 01-Jun 30	Pre-planning	10	13	130	
Jul 01-Aug 15	Planning	20	6	120	
Aug 16-TW (Oct 10-17)	Implementation	30	9	270	
TW-Nov 15	Post TW assessments	10	4	40	
					Rate
				560	\$15.27

Personnel			\$8,551
Misc. supplies			\$1,000
Total request			\$9,551

Are you willing to accept partial funding for this proposal? Yes

Please describe who will be in charge of dispensing the funds. If it is not a UK department, how will the funds be dispensed?:

Lynne Rieske-Kinney and Mary Arthur will oversee dispersing funds. Funds will be housed in the Department of Entomology.

Does this project have any additional funding partners? If so please list them and briefly describe their contribution and involvement:

All UFI core team activities are funded by grants; UFI does not have an established funding stream or a set budget, and Tree Week is not funded. However, we receive tremendous support in the form of personnel and partnerships from the Kentucky Division of Forestry and Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government, and other entities. We were also fortunate to receive Tree Week 2019 funding support from the Lexington Tree Board (\$500). The larger UFI working group is also supportive of Tree Week activities by offering input and registering their events.

Use table below to provide a list of the major milestones of your project. This should include all relevant events to your proposals, such as dates for completion of key presentations and/or equipment purchases. Include project start and completion dates.

SSC timel	ine for Tree Week 2020 support			
Dates	Descriptions	hrs/wk	no. wks	total hrs
Apr 01-Jun 30	Pre-planning (monthly meetings)	10	13	130
Jul 01-Aug 15	Planning (bi-monthly meetings soliciting TW event hosts)	20	6	120
	Implementation (continue soliciting event hosts; advertising; recruiting volunteers; interactive map;			
Aug 16-TW (Oct 10-17	soliciting attendees	30	9	270
TW-Nov 15	Post TW assessments	10	4	40
				560

If your project timeline is greater than a month, please provide a date around the middle of the project when sufficient progress will have been made to update the SSC.:

We will update the SSC at the beginning of the academic year (immediately in advance of TW 2020).

- \*\* Please attach supporting documents such as promotional material, letters of collaborative funding, or a budget spreadsheet, in addition to the budget provided previously. If you are working in partnership with a UK entity such as the Physical Plant Division, an academic department, etc., their letter of support should be uploaded here as well. Please only attach documents necessary to your proposal, so documents such as individual resumes or cover letters should not be included. All supporting documents should be in PDF format.:
- \*\* Please email your completed application to ukstudentsustainabilitycoucil@gmail.com

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#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13TH (CONT.)

7:00 PM Living With Ancient Trees in Lexington

3080 Fieldstone Way | Beaumont Library Lexington Public Library

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12TH

9:30 AM - Empowering Communities to Lead
Sustainable Urban Tree Initiatives
203 E Fourth St | Episcopal Mission House
Lissa Pohl

No:30 AM Movers & Shakers Storytime
3628 Walden Dr | Tates Creek Library
Lexington Public Library

1:30 PM - Prescription for Nature
730 Rose St | Thomas Poe Cooper Bldg

730 Rose St | Thomas Poe Cooper Bldg Brianna Damron, Urban Forest Initiative

6:66 PM - Holler for the Trees

9:66 PM 161 N. Mill St | ArtsPlace Performance Hall Eric Sutherland

7:00 PM - You, Me, & Rumi
9:00 PM 300 E Third St | Lyric Theatre
Lakshmi Sriraman

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13TH

ALL DAY

Kentucky Tree Climbing Championship

120 Sycamore Rd | Ashland Estate

Jesse Hesley

10:00AM - "FernGully: The Last Rainforest"
140 E Main St | Central Library,
Farish Theater
Lexington Public Library

**Lexington Public Library** 

10:00AM - The Forest for the Trees
3885 Raven Run Way
Raven Run Nature Sanctuary

140 E Main St | Central Library

**Urban Forest Initiative** 12:00 PM -**Tour des Trees Lexington** 800 N Limestone | Broomwagon 3:00 PM Bikes + Coffee **LFUCG Urban Forestry** 2:00 PM -Party for the Pumpkins 6:00 PM 500 Alumni Dr | UK-LFUCG Arboretum **UK-LFUCG Arboretum** 6:00 PM -**Tree Week Party** 9:00 PM 501 W 6th St #100 | The Barrel

**Duncan Park** 

11:00 AM -

2:00 PM

Take Care of Duncan Park's Trees

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14TH

**Urban Forest Initiative** 

Room at West 6th Brewing

Voga Amongst the Trees at Ashland
 120 Sycamore Rd | Ashland Estate Yoga at Ashland
 2:00 PM Happy Little Trees:

 Paint Along with Bob Ross
 140 E Main St | Central Library Lexington Public Library

#### WEEKLONG EVENTS

Leaf and Tree Identification Scavenger Hunt

Tates Creek Library, Northside Library, & Beaumont Library

**Fayette County Public School Tree Plantings** 

Clays Mill Elementary, Yates Elementary, William Wells Brown Elementary, Tates Creek Elementary, Crawford Middle, Frederick Douglas High School

**TreeSnap Tree Week Contest** 

Visit treesnap.org or download the Tree Snap app!

# TREE WEEK 2018 DIRECTORY



OCTOBER 6-14TH

TREE PLANTING

TREE CARE AND TREE BENEFITS

TREES IN ART AND CULTURE

TREES' ROLES IN OUR BODIES,

MINDS + SPIRITS

SATURDAY,	OCTOBER	6TH
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8:30 AM - 4:30 PM	Sustainable Urban Landscape Symposium 3591 Leestown Rd   Locust Trace HS Wild Ones
10:00AM – 1:00PM	Amazing Autumn 500 Alumni Dr   KY Children's Garden UK-LFUCG Arboretum
10:00AM - 11:30AM	"FernGully: The Last Rainforest"  140 E Main St   Central Library, Farish Theater Lexington Public Library
10:00AM – 12:00PM	<b>UK Campus Tree Planting</b> 685 Sports Center Dr Urban Forest Initiative

Tree Week Kickoff

**Urban Forest Initiative** 

610 W 3rd St | Blue Stallion Brewery

4:00PM -

7:00PM

:	Sunday, October 7th
10:00AM	Raven Run 10K & Robin 5K 3885 Raven Run Way Raven Run Nature Sanctuary
11:00AM – 12:00PM	Yoga Amongst the Trees at Ashland 120 Sycamore Rd   Ashland Estate Yoga at Ashland
12:00PM – 2:00PM	Balled & Burlapped: How Arborists Plant the Big Guys 1877 Pensacola Dr   Pensacola Park Trees Lexington!
1:00PM - 2:30PM	Tree Tour of Lexington Cemetery 833 W Main St   Lexington Cemetery Venerable Trees
1:00PM - 4:00PM	Oaks and Hickories of the Palisades: A Tree ID Hike 8000 Elk Lick Falls Rd   Floracliff Floracliff Nature Sanctuary

2:00 PM	Extreme Explorers: Dendrochronology 140 E Main St   Central Public Library Lexington Public Library
2:30 PM - 4:00 PM	A Wheelchair Tour of the Trees of Lexington Cemetery 833 W Main St   Lexington Cemetery Venerable Trees
3:30 PM - 4:45 PM	CaterpillarsBeyond Monarchs & Woolly Worms 416 Rebmann Lane   McConnell Springs City of Lexington
M	IONDAY, OCTOBER 8TH
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Tree Planting - Growing Lexington's Urban Forest through Community 2044 Deauville Dr LFUCG Urban Forestry
2:00 pm - 3:35 pm	Dr. Seuss' "The Lorax"  140 E Main St   Central Library, Farish Theater Lexington Public Library
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	A Walk with the Trees of Transylvania 300 N Broadway   Transy's campus Sarah Bray
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM	The Making of the Kentucky Native Cafe 417 E Maxwell St   Kentucky Native Cafe John Michler
6:00PM	Imagination Station: Apple Orchards (in Spanish & English) 2185 Versailles Rd   Village Library Lexington Public Library
70	uesday, October 9th

11:00 AM -

Discovering Neighborhood Orchards

10:00AM - 3:00 PM	Revisiting Floracliff's Old Oaks: A TreeSnap Training and Citizen Science	
	Workshop	
	8000 Elk Lick Falls Rd   Floracliff	
	Floracliff Nature Sanctuary	

12:00 A 12:00 A 12:30PA 1:00 PA	<ul> <li>245 E. Third St   London Ferrill Garden Sean Gladding</li> <li>Poetry &amp; Art Under the Trees</li> <li>300 N Broadway   Transy's Alumni Plaza Simonetta Chochis</li> </ul>	6:30 PM - 8:00 PM	in Planting & Nurturing Urban Trees 300 E Third St   Lyric Theatre Urban Forest Initiative & UK Dept of Community & Leadership Development  DIY Wednesday: Painted Acorns 3080 Fieldstone Way   Beaumont Library Lexington Public LIbrary
	Lexington Public Library	7	HURSDAY, OCTOBER 11TH
3:00 PI	<ul> <li>Play + Learn: Dendrochronology</li> <li>1733 Russell Cave Rd   Northside Library</li> <li>Lexington Public Library</li> </ul>	10:30 AM	Preschool Play + Learn Storytime 3628 Walden Dr   Tates Creek Library Lexington Public Llbrary
4:00 P	★ Extreme Explorers: Dendrochronology 3080 Fieldstone Way   Beaumont Library Lexington Public Library	11:66 AM	Preschool Play + Learn Storytime 140 E Main St   Central Library Lexington Public Library
5:00 Pl 6:30 Pl		11:00 AM	<b>Little Listeners Storytime</b> 3000 Blake James Dr   Eastside Library Lexington Public Library
	WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10TH	1:30 PM	Art Start: Trees  3628 Walden Dr   Tates Creek Library Lexington Public Library
10:00 /	Tree-Themed Movers & Shakers Storytime  140 E Main St   Central Library  Lexington Public Library	3:00 PM	Art Start: Trees 1733 Russell Cave Rd   Northside Library Lexington Public Library
10:30 A	Tree-Themed Little Listeners Storytime 3628 Walden Dr   Tates Creek Library Lexington Public Library	5:00 PM - 6:30 PM	<b>Tree Week Magic Hour Hike</b> 8000 Elk Lick Falls Rd   Floracliff Floracliff Nature Sanctuary
1:30 PA	Imagination Station: Tree 3080 Fieldstone Way   Beaumont Library Lexington Public Library	5:30 PM - 7:00 PM	<b>Tree Planting: Building a Greener Lexington</b> 886 Furlong Dr LFUCG Urban Forestry
3:00 P	•	6:00 PM	Imagination Station: Apple Orchards 886 Furlong Dr   Village Library Lexington Public Library
6:00 Pc 7:00 Pc	. 3	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Health Benefits of Being Outdoors 141 E Main St   Downtown Arts Center Greg Davis

6:00 PM - Public lecture: Neighborhood Engagement



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#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17TH CONT.

5:30 PM -	Art and Nature
7:30 PM	140 E. Main St.   Central Library
	Chrissie Tune
6:30 PM -	"The Hidden Life of Trees" Book Talk
7:30 PM	with Dave Leonard
	140 E. Main St.   Central Library
	Lexington Public Library
6:30 PM -	Take a Virtual Hike at the Library!
8:30 PM	140 E. Main St.   Central Library
	Lexington Public Library

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18TH

8:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Urban Forest Bird Walk - Rediscovering Reforest the Bluegrass 300 W. Reynolds Rd.   Shilito Park LFUCG
8:30 AM - 3:00 PM	Tree Climbing Competition Setup UK Campus Behind Student Center
J.00 111	Jesse Hesley
12:30 PM -	Tree Planting
2:30 PM	E. Third St.   Isaac Murphy Memorial Garden
4:00 PM -	Tree Planting and Fall Harvest Festival
7:00 PM	at Winburn Community Action Council 1169 Winburn Dr. #A   Windburn Community Action Council Christine Smith
5:00 PM - 6:30 PM	Managing Trees and Shrubs in a Garden 124 Idle Hour Dr.   Lexington Residence Beate Popkin

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19TH

ALL DAY	Kentucky Tree Climbing Championship
	160 Ave. of Champions   UK Gatton
	Student Center Area
	Kentucky Arborists Association
9:00 AM -	Trees Out in the Country
1:00 PM	1608 Winchester Rd. Paris, KY   Oakland
	Farm Trees
10:00AM -	Neighborhood Replanting of Beaumont
2:00 PM	Park
	2034 Williamsburg Dr.   Beaumont Park
	LFUCG

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19TH CONT.

12:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Oaks of Kentucky Workshop 500 Alumni Dr.   The Arboretum Visitor Center   The Arboretum
5:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Tree Week After Gathering 417 E. Maxwell St.   Kentucky Native Cafe

#### PRE TREE WEEK

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Planting the Tree Week Tree 1733 Russell Cave Rd.   Northside Branch Library   Oct. 11th
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Peek at Tree Movies 140 E. Main St.   Central Library Oct. 8th, 9th, and 10th
5:00 PM - 8:00 PM	<b>Trees - Gallery Hop Photography Show</b> 166 Market St.   Christ Church Cathedra Sep. 20th
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	Trees Lexington! and the Pocket Nursery Program 417 E. Maxwell St.   Kentucky Native Cafe   Oct. 8th
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM	Songfarmers of Lexington Community Music Jam at Tates Creek Branch 3628 Walden Dr.   Lexington Public

#### WEEKLONG EVENTS

Library Tates Creek Branch | Oct. 10th

Go See Trees Fall Challenge Scavenger Hunt! Sep. 28 - Oct. 27 2019 | LFUCG

Fayette County Public School Tree Plantings
Clays Mill Elementary School, Stonewall Elementary
School, Lexington Traditional Magnet School, Dixie
Elementary School, Northern Elementary School

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# URBAN FOREST INITIATIVE PRESENTS



# 2019 EVENTS LEXINGTON, KY OCTOBER 12-19TH

A CELEBRATION OF LEXINGTON'S
TREES AND ALL THE WAYS TREES
IMPACT OUR LIVES

TREE PLANTING
TREE CARE AND TREE BENEFITS
TREES IN ART AND CULTURE
TREES IN OUR MINDS, BODIES AND HEALTH
TREES AND KIDS
TREES IN OUR COMMUNITIES

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#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12TH

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Bell Court Neighborhood Tree Planting 545 Sayre Ave.   Bell Park Bridget Abernathy		
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Plant for the Planet 2019 - Meadowbrook Park Planting 372 Harvard Dr.   Meadowbrook Park LFUCG and Sandy Shafer		
9:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Bike Tour of Lexington's Greatest Trees 800 N. Limestone   Broomwagon Bikes and Coffee   Tom Kimmerer		
10:30 AM - 1:30 PM	Mindful Nature Photography in Gratz Park 251 W. Second St.   Gratz Park   Karen Lanier		
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Tree Week Kickoff Celebration  150 Northland Dr.   Seedleaf Urban Farm Seedleaf		
12:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Art in the Neighborhood 1870 Benton Pl.   Marlboro Park Sisohpromatem Art Foundation, Inc.		
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM	Lexington Cemetery Tree Walk 833 W. Main St.   Lexington Cemetery William Fountain		
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Cane Run Tree Planting 1416 Bryan Ave.   Cane Run Greenway Ryan Koch		
3:00 PM - 5:30 PM	Castlewood Tree Care and Fun 201 Castlewood Dr.   Castlewood Park		

## Urban Forest Initiative 7:00 PM - Raven House: Pine Mountain Sessions (Night 2)

3229 Raven Cir. | The Raven House Kentucky Natural Lands Trust

#### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13TH

1):00 AM - Yoga Under the Trees12:00 PM 120 Sycamore Rd. | Henry Clay EstateYoga at Ashland

#### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13TH CONT.

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM	Tree Planting @ The Barn 1451 University Dr.   The UK Good Barn Urban Forest Initiative and UK Facilities Management Church Trees 2025 Bellefonte Dr.   St. Michael's Church Beate Popkin
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Trees of the Creek  Pre-registration required at floracliff.org    Floracliff Nature Sanctuary
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Tween/Teen Crafternoon: Tree Art @ Central Library  140 E. Main St.   Central Library Lexington Public Library
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM	The Trees of Fairway: A Walking Tour 1609 Fairway Dr.   Fairway Dr./Fairwood Ln. Median   Beate Popkin
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM	KNLT Wildlands Social Club 167 Main St.   21c Museum Hotel Kentucky Natural Lands Trust
6:45 PM - 8:00 PM	Raven Run Full Hunter's Moon Hike 3885 Raven Run Way   Raven Run Nature Sanctuary

#### MONDAY, OCTOBER 14TH

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Shrubs and Understory Trees of Central and Eastern Kentucky Pre-registration required at floracliff.org   Floracliff Nature Sanctuary
10:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Baby Jam Story-time: Trees!  140 E. Main St.   Central Library Lexington Public Library
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Preschool Play and Learn Story-time: Trees 2185 Versailles Rd.   Village Branch Library Lexington Public Library
12:10 PM - 12:50 PM	Tree ID Walk 458 Huguelet Dr.   Thomas Poe Cooper Forestry Building   UK Forestry Extension

#### MONDAY, OCTOBER 14TH CONT.

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	Nut Trees for Homeowners 500 Alumni Dr.   The Arboretum Visitor Center   The Arboretum	
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	<b>DIY Leaf Print Book Tote</b> 140 E. Main St.   Central Library Lexington Public Library	
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15TH		

10:00 AM - Reforest McConnell Springs

2:00 PM	416 Rebmann Ln.   McConnell Springs Park LFUCG
12:16 PM - 12:56 PM	All About Oaks Walk 458 Huguelet Dr.   Thomas Poe Cooper Forestry Building   UK Forestry Extension
3:15 PM - 4:15 PM	Little Life on Trees 416 Rebmann Ln.   McConnell Springs Park LFUCG
5:00 PM - 8:00 PM	<b>Lavish! Art Project Workshop</b> 301 W. 4th St.   Shearer Art Building Transylvania University
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	New Ideas on Increasing Lexington's Urban Tree Canopy 417 E. Maxwell St.   Kentucky Native

#### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16TH

Cafe | Michlers

10:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Movers and Shakers Toddler Story-time: Trees 140 E. Main St.   Central Library Lexington Public Library
10:30 AM - 11:45 AM	Invasive Plant Species Workshop In the Trees 8291 Old Richmond Rd.   Boone Creek Outdoors
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Toddler/Preschool Process Art: Chlorophyll Painting 140 E. Main St.   Central Library Lexington Public Library

#### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16TH CONT.

12:10 PM - 12:50 PM	Walk With A Doc 458 Huguelet Dr.   Thomas Poe Cooper Forestry Building   UK Forestry Extension	
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Canvas Creations: Tree Week 1733 Russell Cave Rd.   Northside Library Lexington Public Library	
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	Tree Planting at The Arboretum  500 Alumni Dr.   The Arboretum Visitor Center   The Arboretum	
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	Tree Walk and Talk in Beautiful Springhouse Gardens! 185 Catnip Hill Rd.   Springhouse Gardens	
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Tree Week Movie: The Lorax 2185 Versailles Rd.   Lexington Public Library Village Branch, Meeting Room A	
6:00 PM - 7:45 PM	Tree Health Threats: A Journey Through the Past, Present, & Future 152 N. Locust Hill Dr.   Wild Birds Unlimited University of Kentucky and Wild Ones Native Landscape	

#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17TH

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Tree Planting on the Legacy Trail McGrathiana Pkwy.   McGrathiana Parking Lot Keep Lexington Beautiful
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Preschool Play & Learn Story-time: Trees 140 E. Main St.   Central Library Lexington Public Library
12:10 PM - 12:50 PM	Wood Around Campus Walk 458 Huguelet Dr.   Thomas Poe Cooper Forestry Building   UK Forestry Extension
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Creative Reflections Hike: A Magic Hour with the Trees Pre-registration required at floracliff.org   Floracliff Nature Sanctuary
5:00 PM -	Lavish! Art Project Workshop

301 W. 4th St. | Shearer Art Building

Transylvania University

8:00 PM

#### **Funding Application**

Before beginning the application process, please verify that you understand the terms and conditions for receiving funding from the SSC:

- The SSC cannot apply retroactive funding, all budget items must occur after the meeting date where the proposal is reviewed.
- Proposals are accepted on a rolling basis and the due date for consideration at each meeting is one week prior to that meeting.
- If approved, the project leader has twelve months to spend the funds. If the project requires an extension beyond this timeline, the project leader will need to submit an extension request.
- The money disbursed from this fund comes from student fees, so sustainability-related student impact is a necessary component for any proposal.
- Presenting the project to the Council is mandatory.
- In order to preserve the Council's ability to effectively review and consider proposals we are limited in the amount of proposals we may review per meeting. In the case that more proposals are received than can be reviewed for a given meeting, Council directors will decide which proposals are heard based on project timeline and order of submission.

By checking the box below, I verify that I understand and accept these terms and conditions.

: Yes

**Project title:** Quantifying Microplastic Concentration in Campus Soils

**Project leader name:** Jake Simanek

Project leader email: jsi227@g.uky.edu

**Project leader additional contact information:** 

Contact type Contact info

Phone 8592218068

Total amount requested from the Council (round up to the nearest whole number): 631.00

**UK affiliation:** Student

Please fill out the following information about yourself and any other students involved on the project. Previous involvement with the SSC may include membership, funding requests, or involvement with an organization affiliated with the SSC. Answer to the best of your knowledge.:

Name	Major(s)/department	Academic year based on projected graduation date	Previous involvement with the SSC
Jake Simanek	NRES/ Ag/ EES	Senior	Member at large, Green Talks Chair

Jobs funded by the Council should be priced at a livable wage. As one of the three pillars of sustainability, economic sustainability is an important component of any project. The Council aims to fund all jobs at a livable wage. If you are requesting funds for an internship/stipend/etc, please explain how that budget was determined in the framework of economic sustainability.:  $\rm N/A$ 

Understanding the supply chain for any material purchased is an important component of sustainability. If your project requires materials, please include an explanation of their sourcing.: most of these materials are purchased from VWR or Fisher Scientific Supply. Waste and carbon footprint are unfortunate products of the scientific process, we take every precaution to limit environmental impact and follow safe containment and disposal procedures.

How did you hear about the SSC?: I am a member

Describe how your project relates to the three pillars of sustainability (environmental stewardship, economic equity, and social inclusion).: This research will inform individuals on campus of an environmental state that is otherwise imperceptible. Raising awareness with the study findings will hopefully inform individual behavior. It is my opinion that exercising the scientific method is one of the most effective ways to acquire information about our environment so that we may intimately know its needs. Soils everywhere are subject to the accumulation of microplastics but perhaps none more than locations where plastic parent material is over-represented. These areas correlate to poverty relative to "cleaner" surrounding areas and it is these areas that are first to suffer the effects. Knowing how microplastic debris behaves in smaller surrogate studies such as this one will help direct future large scale efforts. Information is foundational if we aim to make positive changes.

Please provide an in depth description of your project. You will likely want to copy and paste your response into the text box.: For my senior research project, I will quantify and compare microplastic accumulation on the University of Kentucky (UK) campus. At the end of each semester, groups of graduates and their families and friends take photographs at three iconic spots on campus, on Rose Street in front of the William T. Young Library, on the corner of Maxwell and Rose streets in front of the stone UK sign, and in front of Memorial Hall. A common practice is to take a photograph where the graduate throws glitter into the air. This act of littering has lasting effects and the shiny fragments of plastic can be seen as a permanent fixture on the ground throughout the year. Due to their versatility, chemical stability, and low production costs, plastics of all types are ubiquitous throughout society. For decades, we have been aware that the chemical stability of these products prevents their break down (or slows it considerably) in the environment, which has now presented a serious and global pollution issue. The large observable material waste is a concern, but another concern is the very small particles. While large waste is easily recognized and can be collected, the weathered debris from this material continues to accumulate on land and in the oceans. Little is known about what long-term affects these materials will have on plant and animal life, but there is research suggesting that small plastic particles can have negative health effects when passively ingested by humans (Wright and Kelly, 2017). Adulterants such as BPA, which is a known endocrine disruptor, are present in many commercially available plastics. Certain metals also readily complex with small plastic particles creating a source of toxic material with poorly defined effect and quantity. Due to many, varied and large sources of plastic parent material that already exists in the environment, it is reasonable to surmise that the generation, transportation and accumulation of microplastics in the environment will all increase over time. Therefore I believe it is important to monitor these anthropogenic additions and the environmental response to them. Microplastics are defined differently by different parties, some classify microplastics as particle debris < 10 mm in diameter (Thompson et al., 2009), while others as particle debris < 1 mm in diameter (Claessens et al., 2011). For the purposes of my study, I have adopted the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) definition of microplastics, which are particles < 5 mm in any dimension that originate from petroleum derived polymers (Masura et al., 2015). I have chosen this definition because the NOAA reference is a well vetted collection of adaptable methods for detecting and quantifying microplastics in the environment. This reference also employs

techniques that I am familiar with and most importantly, uses materials and instruments that I have access to. Additionally, since I am ultimately relying on my own ability to recognize these particles under a stereomicroscope, the < 5 mm size margin is the smallest I am comfortable with. Study Objectives Microplastic accumulation is predicted to be higher near sites of known glitter deposition, so I will sample from the three sites mentioned above, and from nine other sites (this number is subject to change) This study will not determine the source(s) of microplastics, but will focus on quantifying deposition hot-spots on the UK campus. Variables that I do not intend on measuring due to time and money constraints include, foot traffic frequency, wind behavior, hydrology, site slope and adjacent landscape slope, construction and management history. These would all be requisite in developing a more comprehensive explanation as to why certain sites, if any, display differences in microplastic concentration. Brief Methods - Collect samples (at least three per site, but likely more depending on results from preliminary power analysis) to 5 cm depth for each sample. - Samples will be collected using an aluminum cylinder of uniform cross-sectional area of 44.18 cm2 inserted into the turf to extract samples of uniform dimension. - Bulk the three soil plugs collected from each station to achieve a representative mosaic of the site and label it. -Return to the lab and assign each sample an alternate identity so the source of the sample will be unknown to me as I record microscope observations (preventing bias). - Deposit samples into tins of known and recorded mass then record the wet mass. - Dry the samples and record their mass then calculate bulk density. - Combine the sample with DI water in a 2-gallon bucket (labeled) and wait for soil to release from root mass and state of aggregation - Wet sieve samples thoroughly through a sieve stack (2 cm sieve on top of 300-micron sieve). - Material caught by the 2 cm sieve will be plant and rock fragments, dry and archive this material. - Deposit the material that was caught by the 300-micron sieve into a tin of known and recorded mass, dry the sample. - Measure and record the mass of the sample. - Add the sample to a 2-gallon bucket. - Create a 0.5 molar stock solution of FeSO4 (ferrous sulfate) by dissolving 15 grams of FeSO4 into 1,000 ml of DI water. - Destroy the organic matter in the sample by adding 30 ml of 30% H2O2 to the bucket then add 30 ml of the stock ferrous sulfate solution (this solution catalyzes the oxidation of organic matter by promoting the generation of free hydroxyls). - This reaction will evolve O2 and CO2 at room temperature, wait for this reaction to slow before adding the contents of the buckets to labeled 1,000 ml beakers of measure and recorded mass (only 200 ml at a time or you risk boil over and loss of samples). - Place these beakers on a 75°C hotplate and monitor. - Add sample solution from bucket into the beakers as the amount in the beakers reduces from heat. - Continue to heat and add sample until the bucket is empty. - Continue to add H2O2 at 75°C until all organic matter has been destroyed. - Heat the solution to rid it of peroxide and add 200 ml of DI water until evaporated, repeat this 3 times to completely remove H2O2. - Weigh the dry contents of the beaker and record the mass. - Create a density separation solution with NaCl (heat 1,000 ml of DI water in a beaker and add 350 grams NaCl). - Add NaCl solution to sample in beaker and agitate by gently stirring. - Allow this mixture to settle and stratify overnight. - Carefully decant the mixture (which should now have some material present on the surface) and filter under vacuum using noncellulose 47 MM (0.4 UM) track etched membrane filters. - Recover the NaCl solution for continued use throughout the project. - Deposit filters onto petri dishes and dry at 60 °C for 24 hours. - Prepare a solution of Nile Red dye in acetone (1,000 microgram Stain/mL acetone). -With the filter paper dry, adhere the filter to the petri dish (if curling is severe enough to affect

microscope performance). - Place 2 – 5 drops of Nile Red dye solution on the sample and allow the acetone to evaporate at room temperature (10-30 minutes). This stain is lipophilic/hydrophobic and should adsorb onto microplastic surfaces while avoiding organic matter, preventing particle misidentification - Observe sample under the stereomicroscope in a dark room with a UV light fixture as only light source. - Using an orange to red light filter set (590 nanometer – 720 nanometer wavelength) adjust color contrast until both image and florescence is well defined. -Sample photographs will be stored and the quantity of microplastics per sample will be recorded. -If unsure if particle is microplastic, heat a needle- like tool and poke it, if it melts, it is likely plastic. - Use a point count microscopy statistical method to estimate microplastic concentrations per sample. - Take these raw data and match them up with their true identities (since their origin was concealed from me after collection) and compare data from all sites. Citations Masura, J., Baker, J., Foster, G., Arthur, C., Herring, C, 2015. Laboratory methods for the analysis of microplastics in the marine environment: recommendations for quantifying synthetic particles in waters and sediments. NOAA Technical Memorandum NOS-OR&R-48. M. Claessens, S.D. Meester, L.V. Landuyt, K.D. Clerck, C.R. JanssenOccurrence and distribution of microplastics in marine sediments along the Belgian coast. Marine Pollution Bulletin, 62 (2011), pp. 2199-2204 R.C. Thompson, C.J. Moore, F.S. vom Saal, S.H. SwanPlastics, the environment and human health: current consensus and future trends. Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society B: Biological Sciences, 364 (2009), pp. 2153-2166 Wright, Stephanie L, and Kelly, Frank J. "Plastic and Human Health: A Micro Issue?" Environmental Science & Technology. 51.12 (2017): 6634-647. Web.

#### Who will this project primarily impact?:

The Environmental Stewardship Fee is a \$4 per semester student tuition fee. Given that the SSC is in charge of distributing these funds, please describe your project's plan to maximize student impact.: Since all study sites are within UK's campus, the information generated will be made available to students through signage at sites of glitter deposition. But more impactful will be presenting the findings to the university grounds crew to inform future management. I have contacted the UK Office of Sustainability with this proposal and have received confirmation that these arrangements can be made once the research has been conducted.

Please select the groups that your project is intended to impact.:

Faculty/Staff
Graduate Students
Lexington Community
Undergraduate Students
UK Community as a Whole

#### What type of project is this?:

Career Development Education Research

Please select up to three disciplinary categories that best describe your project.:

Campus Sustainability
Forestry/Gardening/Landscaping
Recycling/Waste Management

The SSC is always seeking further outreach opportunities. Please consider doing one or all of the following with your project to help us reach more people.:

Green Talks Radio segment (recommended) Feature SSC logo on promotional material

Does this project require the approval of any outside or UK entity? If so, please check the box and include documentation of support at the end of this document.: No

Have this, or any related project, been funded by the SSC in this or previous years?: No

Please fill out an itemized budget for your project as it stands. Indicate line items that could be reduced with a check mark. Round up to the nearest whole number for numerical entries.:

Please download the funding pdf from the top right corner of this page and reupload the completed form.:

Please describe who will be in charge of dispensing the funds. If it is not a UK department, how will the funds be dispensed?: Dr. Kevin Yeager

Does this project have any additional funding partners? If so please list them and briefly describe their contribution and involvement.: N/A

Estimated project completion date: 10/10/2020

**Please provide a list of the major milestones of your project.:** - Completing methods - Sample acquisition - Sample processing - Take and record measurements - Data analysis - Organize findings - Present findings

Include the date (mm/dd/yy) and a brief description of the event. This should include all relevant events to your proposals, such as dates for completion of key project milestones, presentations, or final project completion.:

Date	Event title	Brief description		
10/10/2020	present findings	completed research will be formatted and presented at the NRES internship forum.		
10/10/2020	present findings	presentation will also be prepared for parties of interested within UK (grounds crew, water management, SAB, Greek council)		
10/10/2020	findings used for PSA	partner with office of sustainability on this and SSC (perhaps Green Talks)		

If your project timeline is greater than a month, please provide a date around the middle of the project when sufficient progress will have been made to update the SSC.: 05/01/2020

Please attach supporting documents such as promotional material, letters of collaborative funding, or a budget spreadsheet, in addition to the budget provided previously. If you are working in partnership with a UK entity such as the Physical Plant Division, an academic department, etc., their letter of support should be uploaded here as well. Please only attach documents necessary to your proposal, so documents such as individual resumes or cover letters should not be included. All supporting documents should be in PDF format.:

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