



Tufts University Green Fund Application

Role:

Campus:

Project Title:

One Sentence Description *(This is how your project will be described on the Green Fund website):*

General Application Questions:

- 1. What project would you like to fund with the Green Fund?**

Using the Green Fund, I would like to set up 2 disposable mask recycling receptacles on the Grafton campus. This would provide a way for students, faculty, and staff to safely and conscientiously dispose of their Tufts-provided COVID-19 disposable mask PPE, as opposed to throwing them in the normal garbage (or elsewhere), where they could potentially cause harm to wildlife due to entanglement or ingestion, or create significant waste that could harm our natural ecosystems.

2. **Who would you work with on this project? Who would need to be involved?** (*For example: are there departments you would need to reach out to? If you are hosting an event, you might need someone to help you set up and to help clean up afterwards. Do you need permission from anyone to complete your project?*) **Include their role** (*collaborator, advisor, vender, resource*). **Have they been confirmed?**

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3. **What costs would be involved in your proposal? Please provide a rough budget.**

(2) \$219 - cost of 1 large Terracycle Disposable Mask Zero Waste Box
(1) \$62 - funding for campus communication projects to inform students, faculty, and staff about provided boxes (ex. mass emails, posters, class announcements)
Total Estimate: \$500

4. **What steps would you take to accomplish this project?**

1) Get authorization for an exact placement spot in the Jean Mayer Administration Building or Terracycle Disposable Mask box
2) Order the Terracycle boxes
3) Set up the Terracycle boxes
4) Inform the Tufts Grafton campus community about the placement of Terracycle boxes, placed in the Administration building where weekly COVID-19 testing is administered for all of the campus community, making it a convenient location for used mask drop-off

5. **How would your project help the Tufts community?**

The Tufts community on the Grafton campus currently does not have a sustainable way to dispose of their used disposable masks (provided by Tufts University for COVID-19 PPE). The implementation of Recycling boxes would assist the Tufts community to dispose of their masks in a safe and sustainable way, ensuring that the masks do not end up in our oceans and/or harming wildlife. As a veterinary school campus, the Grafton community members are extremely environmentally and wildlife conscious, so would be welcoming of an idea to avoid potentially negative impacts from our own PPE disposal.

What can I expect next?

The Green Fund Committee will meet in early October and decide which projects to advance to the second round. These projects will be asked to fill out a more complete application (which can be found at go.tufts.edu/GreenFund) these applicants will also be asked to fill out a [budget](#) and [Gantt chart](#) for their project as well as gain letters of support from vital parties.