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NMU 2022-2023 GREEN FUND PROJECTS
Student Proposals Make NMU a Sustainable Campus

MARQUETTE, Mich., March 13, 2023 – Beginning in 2021, NMU started a program where students controlled what sustainability projects are implemented around campus, through the Green Fund. The student run organization EcoReps selected the following projects for the 2022-2023 academic year.

Students consistently choose to support sustainability efforts on campus by contributing \$5 to the Green Fund with their tuition. Project proposals are submitted each year and are reviewed and selected by the EcoReps. The Sustainability Hub for Innovation & Environment (SHINE) oversees the projects. To date over \$100,000 has been put toward the projects on campus, including a recent solar array.

This year the following projects have been selected.

- Biodiversity Lawn-\$5,000 to make changes to landscape management & create a no-mow zone with a nature path.
- Clothing Donation Bins-\$1,100 for metal donation bins, racks, totes & hangers to support clothing swaps.
- Food Pantry Refrigerator & Freezer-\$2,000 for an energy efficient refrigerator & freezer.
- Brine Tank Irrigation-\$8,200 to collect rain collection to supplement city water use.
- Power Strips in TSB-\$1,000 to purchase 50 energy saving power strips with timers for resident halls.

SHINE's purpose is to improve planning and coordination for sustainability on campus, increase the implementation of sustainable initiatives and practices on campuses, and support education on sustainability inside and out of the classroom.

ECOREPS is a student organization that specializes in educating and executing projects that promote environmental, economic, and social responsibility. Their efforts are made possible through the student funded Green Fund.

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