



GREEN ACTION FUND

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REPORT

2021



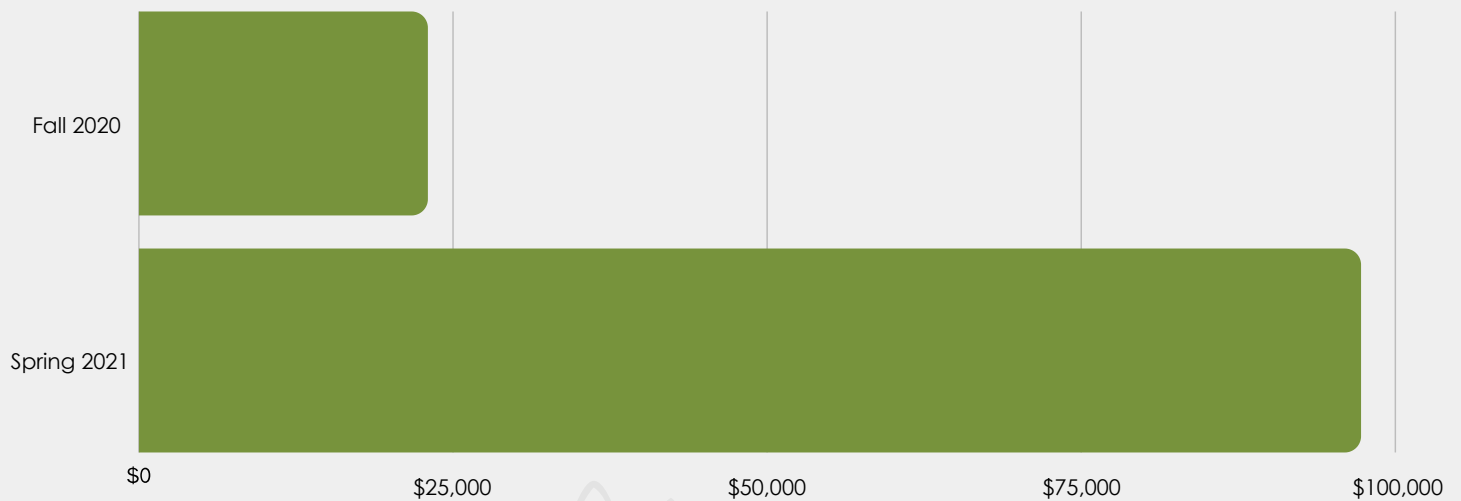
GAF OVERVIEW

The UCCS Green Action Fund is a five-dollar-per-semester fee that a student committee manages, along with one faculty and one staff position. GAF began granting funds to sustainability-focused projects in Spring 2012. Since then, the committee has funded 150 projects across campus in diverse operational units, academic departments and disciplines, and clubs and organizations. Proposal sources have originated with undergraduate and graduate students, staff, and faculty teams tackling environmental and sustainability issues identified in the UCCS Climate Action Plan and Sustainability Strategic Plan.

During this time, GAF activities have contributed to UCCS certifications and awards, including a Gold level certification from the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education's (AASHE) Sustainability Tracking Assessment and Rating System (STARS), the Department of Education Green Ribbon Post-Secondary Sustainability Award, as well as the local Colorado Springs Greenie Award. The Green Action Fund also won the UCCS Roar Award for Organization Excellence in 2015-16.

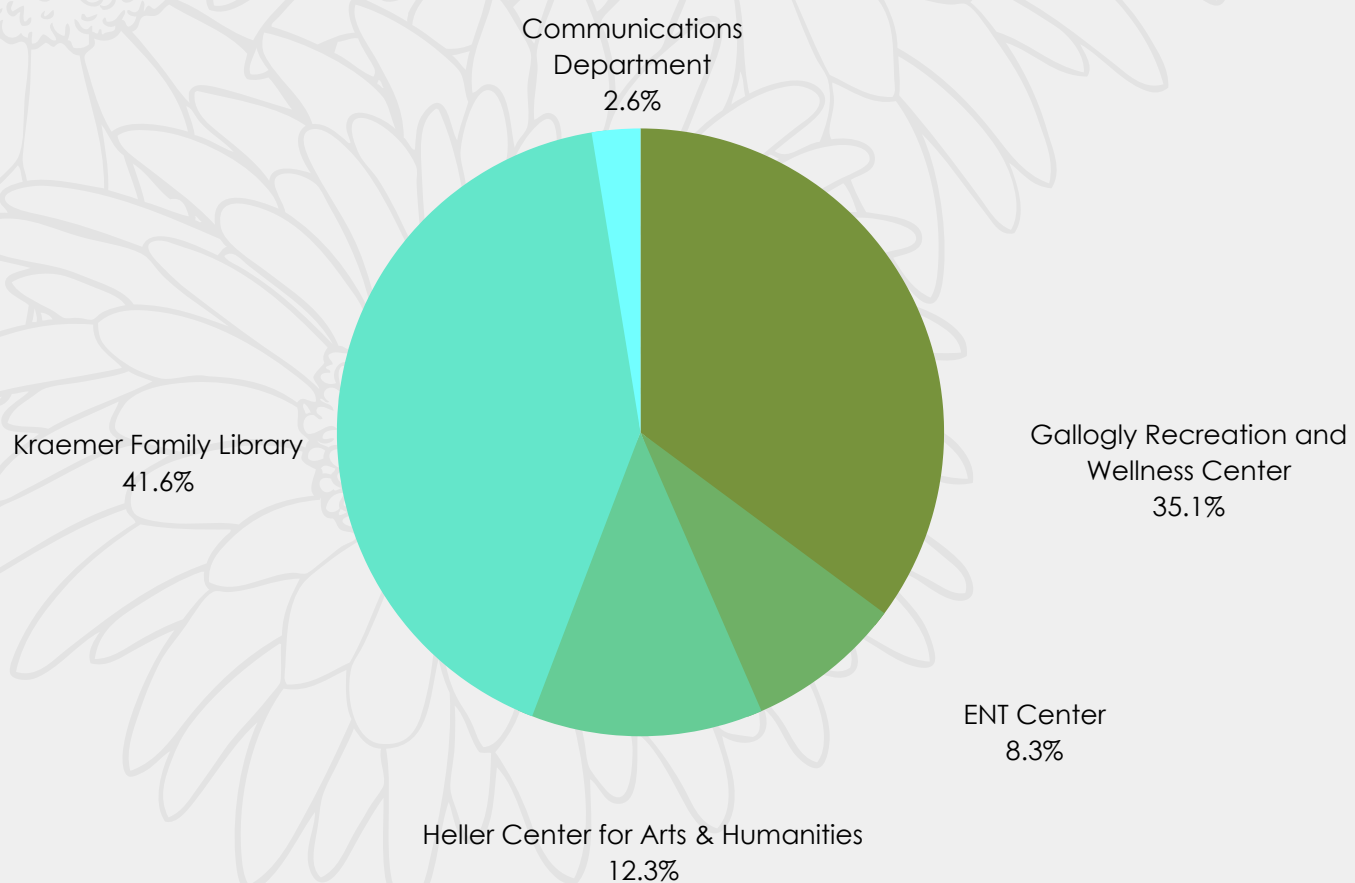


GAF Approved Funds FY 2021

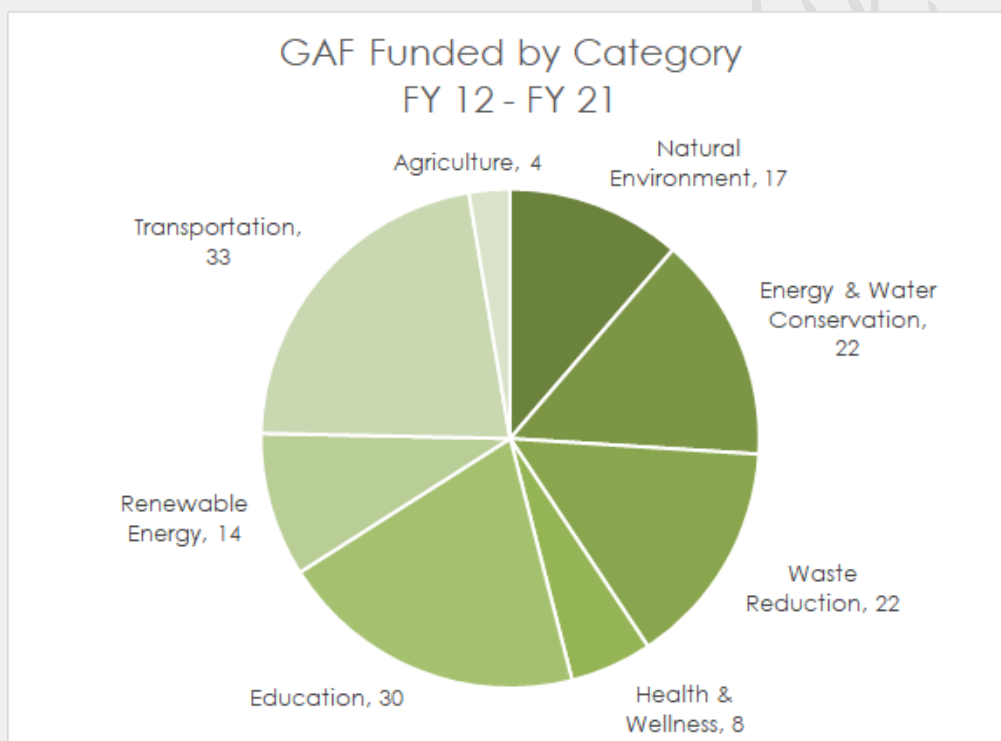
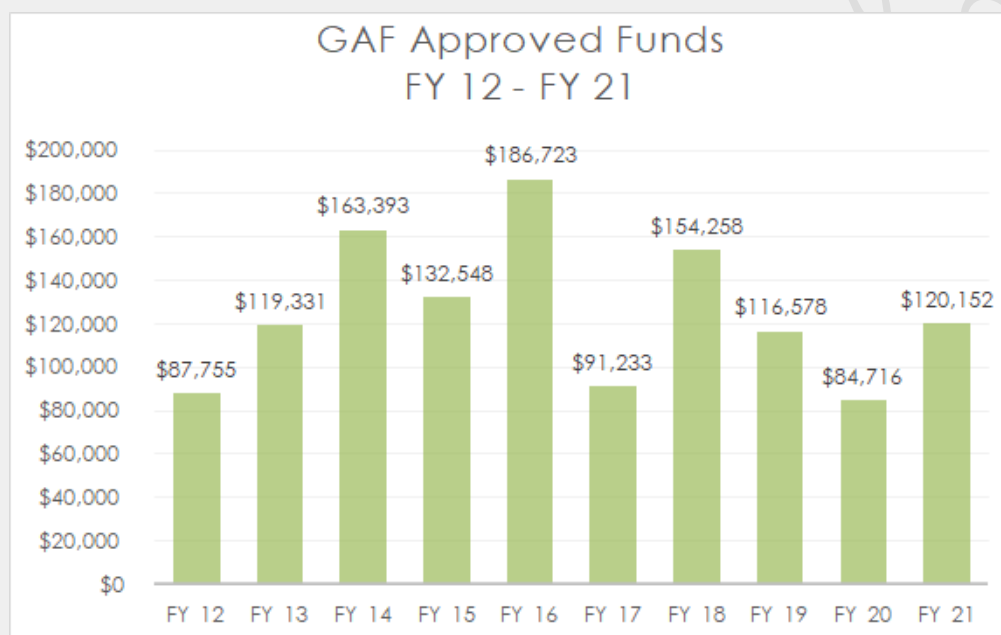
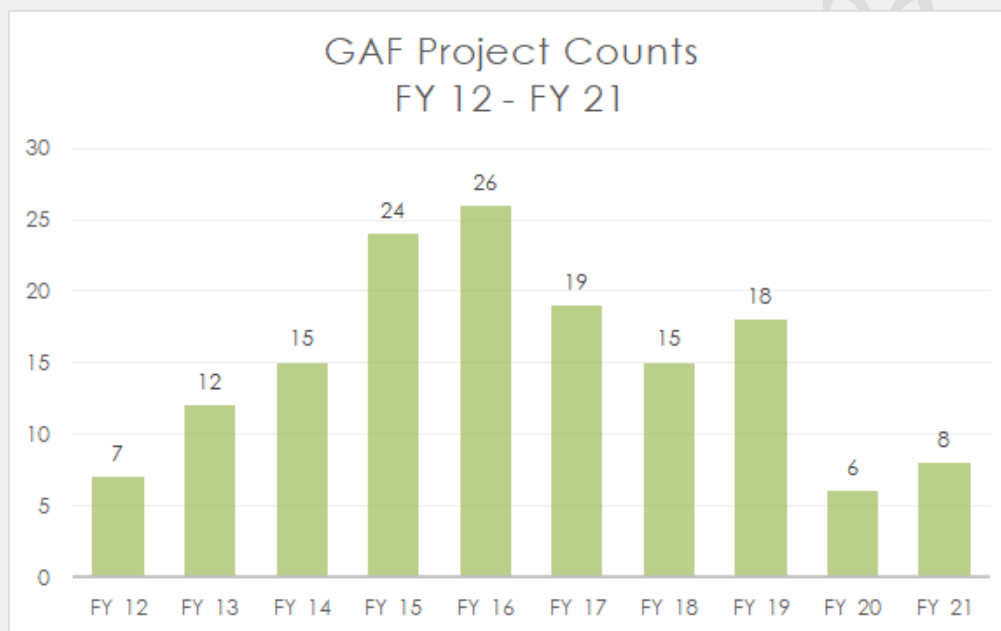


GAF PROJECTS FISCAL YEAR 2021

GAF approved three projects in Fall 2020 for \$22,939.78 and 5 in Spring 2021 for \$97,212.00, totaling eight projects and \$120,151.78. Of these projects, 50% came from the Gallogly Recreation and Wellness Center (EcoWaxer, SOLEstainable Gear, Aquatic Center Pool Covers, and Rec Center Water Bottle Fillers), with the other submissions coming from the Kraemer Family Library (KFL Solar), the ENT Center (Black Forest Art), the Heller Center for Arts & Humanities (Heller Center Outdoor Classroom), and a conference grant from a Communications student (Sustainable Communications Development). Below is a breakdown of GAF funds awarded to each department by the percentage of the \$120,151.78 awarded for FY 2021.



GAF FINANCIAL OVERVIEW



G A F Grant Dispersement

<i>GAF Applicant Source</i>	<i># Projects</i>	<i>Approved Funds</i>
<i>Bachelor of Innovation Student</i>	1	\$ 2,812.00
<i>Bachelor of Innovation Business Students</i>	4	\$ 12,683.28
<i>College of Business Student</i>	3	\$ 8,019.52
<i>Native American Student Association & Department of Sociology Faculty</i>	1	\$ 927.06
<i>College of Engineering and Applied Science Students</i>	7	\$ 63,612.94
<i>Family Development Center Staff</i>	1	\$ 3,187.00
<i>Galleries of Contemporary Art Staff</i>	2	\$ 3,500.00
<i>Geography and Environmental Studies Students</i>	25	\$ 199,392.00
<i>Helen & Arthur E. Johnson Beth-El College of Nursing & Health Sciences Faculty</i>	6	\$ 78,539.77
<i>Office of Information Technology Staff</i>	3	\$ 13,098.92
<i>Department of Mathematics Staff and Students</i>	4	\$ 20,859.80
<i>MOSAIC Staff</i>	1	\$ 1,280.00
<i>Office of Student Activities Student</i>	1	\$ 2,000.00
<i>Office of Sustainability Staff and Students</i>	18	\$ 180,375.39
<i>Parking & Transportation Staff and Students</i>	1	\$ 26,912.95
<i>Political Science and Government Students</i>	3	\$ 46,965.40
<i>Public Safety Staff</i>	1	\$ 3,880.11
<i>Gallogly Recreation and Wellness Center Staff and Students</i>	16	\$ 146,687.78
<i>School of Public Affairs Students</i>	4	\$ 31,893.65
<i>Sports Management Student</i>	1	\$ 2,822.45
<i>Student Outdoor Learning Experience Staff</i>	1	\$ 1,564.70
<i>Office of Veteran and Military Student Affairs</i>	2	\$ 5,104.95
<i>Visual and Performing Arts Faculty</i>	1	\$ 5,443.45
<i>Psychology Student</i>	1	\$ 1,500.00
<i>UCCS Dining and Hospitality Services</i>	2	\$ 4,744.70
<i>Kraemer Family Library Staff and Student</i>	5	\$ 70,669.21
<i>UCCS Bookstore Staff and Student</i>	2	\$ 827.68
<i>Facilities & Outdoor Services Staff and Student</i>	4	\$ 36,976.30
<i>Heller Center for Arts & Humanities Faculty & Students</i>	3	\$ 27,396.95
<i>UCCS Farm</i>	9	\$ 76,361.33
<i>Communications Department Student</i>	1	\$ 3,097.00
<i>Department of Biology Student</i>	1	\$ 782.06
<i>ENT Center</i>	3	\$ 15,201.10
<i>College of Education Faculty</i>	1	\$ 8,845.00
<i>Psychology Department Student</i>	1	\$ 1,500.00
<i>Student Life Staff</i>	1	\$ 2,903.05
<i>Machine Shop Staff</i>	1	\$ 2,528.16
<i>Green Action Fund Committee</i>	1	\$ 11,769.00
<i>Residence Life & Housing</i>	1	\$ 30,333.00
<i>Student Government Association</i>	1	\$ 32,511.40

GAF Grant Categories

The top five project types to receive funding over the history of GAF include:

1. **Transportation:** DRIVE-ON, Police Vehicles, Cycling Infrastructure, Bus Pass Pilot Project, FSAE Competition Car, Formula SAE Prototype E-kart, OIT Electric Cart, Hyperloop Transportation Design, Electric Vehicles for Research, LotSpot Parking App, Bike Charging Station, Library Bike Lock, Leave Your Car Home, Mountain Metro Bus Passes, Bike Repair Station

2. **Education:** Heller Center Outdoor Classroom, Tree Ring Lab, Local Food Literacy, Sustainable Kitchen, Food Journeys Cookbook, Beaver Believers Film Screening, Pink Boots and a Machete, SWELL Grain Literacy, Permaculture Design Certification Course, AAG Conference, RMCS Conference, Students for Zero Waste Conference, AASHE Conference, Mountain Lion Tech Day, Active Minds Conference, UCCS Open Space Soil and Revegetation Study, GES Campus Sustainability Culture Survey, Sustainable Communication Development

3. **Waste Reduction:** SOLEstainable Gear, GLI Food Storage Project, PIPS Pilot Program, KFL Book Recycling, Bookstore Sustainable Paper, Bookstore Bag Reduction, Take Back the Tap Initiative, Hydration Stations, Clyde's Cupboard Fresh Food Program, Zero Hero Waste Stations, ENT Compost/Recycling, Rec Center Goes Greener, KFL Office Supply Recycling, Kraemer Family Library Tote Bags, OZZI Reusable Food Containers, SEAS the Moment Sustainability Kits

4. **Energy & Water Conservation:** KFL Solar, Rec Center Water Bottle Fillers, Osborne, and Centennial Solar Projects, PV Design and Installation 101, SHD-Going For Net Zero, Solar Tables, Solar Shed, Energy Transitions Week, Aquatic Center Pool Covers, Self-Powered Treadmills, Wind Energy Credits, Dwire Lighting, Alternative Lighting (LED), Summit Village Low-Flow Toilets, UC Window Film

5. **Natural Environment:** Black Forest Art, EcoWaxer, Leave No Trace, Roaring Fork River Trip and Cleanup, Native Bat Habitat, Butterfly Garden, Ozone Garden, Beehive Initiative, Heller Student Garden, Sherpa Trail, and Bluffs Restoration, Yawn Valley Garden, Trek the Trail, Edible Landscape, Vermicomposting, Aquaponics, Campus Tree Database

GAF COMMITTEE MEMBER INVOLVEMENT

Graduating Semester

GAF Total Investment

Fall 2020

Hannah Daugherty	\$107,655.64
Josh Hellman	\$107,655.64

Spring 2021

Pru Crawmer	\$164,697.64
Luna Dancer	\$84,715.86
Kayla Mulkin	\$120,151.78
Zano Rana	\$204,867.64
Zach Reese	\$204,867.64

Summer 2021

Natalie Rodriguez	\$346,243.63
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Thank you for leaving your legacy on the UCES campus. GAF appreciates you. May you continue to find a need and fill it, while leaving each place you venture better than you found it.

