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Announcement

Hall Presidents, Council
In conjunction with

Student Affairs

Funding in the second round proposals. They can submit a request for additional $1,500. Any unspent funds will be utilized to support needs for additional funds. Any unused funds in the $1,500 will be utilized to support needs for additional funding.

Each graduate residence complex will receive a certain amount, with the base amount being $1,500. The amount for each complex will be held back for

Group 1: 4 units, 3 residents
Group 2: 2 units, 2 residents
Group 3: 1 unit, 2 residents
Group 4: 0 units (only the base)

2009-2010, each unit is $1,950. The distribution will be based on the number of residents. Each hall will receive a base of $1,500. The additional funds will be divided into units and $1,950. The remaining

University Funding: $75,000
HPC Funding: $145,500

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$1,500 University Funding:
Each graduate residence complex received

$500 per hall
$1,000 per hall

Former Plan:

Residence Halls

Kwan
Duncan

Group 2-0005
Welsh Family
Charlotte
McCall

Group 3-1990
Shepherd
Pasqualilla West
Pasqualilla East

Group 2-1980
Zahm
Wells
Shields
Soom

Sain Edwards
Montgomery
Loving
Lewis
Keenan
Howard
Fisher
Fahey
Dillon
Camaph
Cavall

Breun-Phillips
Bach
Alumni

Group 1-Before 1970
Building Community Spirit

THROUGH BETTER COMMUNITY SPACE

In an effort to enhance and strengthen the community life in each undergraduate residence hall, the Community Enhancement Program (CEP) will make funds available to each hall to improve the common elements of their specific halls. The desire is for rectors and hall governments to work together on plans for improvements to their common areas, e.g. lounges, kitchen, chapel, weight room, chapel, and lobby.

The purpose of this program is to make funds available to residence halls so they can enhance their common areas in ways that will help them build a stronger community. The goal is for each residence hall to maintain its individual identity while determining which combination of features and amenities the students will find appealing.

In order to address the disparity of amenities among the residence halls, the total amount of funds available through this program is more than for former matching funds program. However, because of this disparity, the allocation of funds will not be even. This year, we will use two factors to determine the amount each hall receives, specifically age of the building and number of residents. The factors may change over time in order to adjust to the dynamic nature of residence life. Additional changes include the timing and process for submitting requests and the ability to save up for larger projects.

This program is a joint effort between Student Affairs and the Hall Presidents’ Council. With a substantial increase of University funds and a continuing funding commitment from HPC, this new program offers halls greater opportunities.

START THE YEAR
WITH NEW AND IMPROVED

By April 1 each residence hall will be informed of the amount available to them for the following academic year. The hall will submit a formal written proposal by April 30. These proposals will be reviewed the Office of Residence Life and Housing with assistance from Student Affairs. Halls will be notified by May 15 if approval has been given. The goal is to have all the items ordered, delivered, and installed before hall staff arrives in August.

In the event that not all halls participate or additional monies are made available, a second round of distribution will take place. During the first week of the spring semester, rectors and hall presidents will be notified of the amount of money available. They can submit requests for new purchases. Only new purchases are eligible for funding. Reimbursements for previous purchases will not be approved. These proposals will be reviewed by the CEP committee, comprised of two HPC representatives and one person from each of the following: ORLH, Student Affairs, and Student Activities. Selection criteria will include the hall’s current needs, the amount of this hall’s request, and the total amount of all requests. Decisions will be announced by February 15.

Another option under this program is to spread the cost of a single project over multiple years. If the hall requires funding that exceeds its annual allocation, it can propose the purchase in the first year and then wait a year or two until the sufficient money has accrued to cover the cost. Halls can always supplement with their own funds.

ONLY A PART OF THE ENTIRE PICTURE

The University is responsible for providing the basics for common areas. These basics include furniture, limited window treatments, kitchen appliances (i.e. refrigerator, oven, microwave, and stove), standard flooring and periodic painting. Ice machines are not considered basic equipment and replacement will be the responsibility of the hall. The University will repair them as practical. In the event a hall wishes to upgrade from these basics, or wishes to replace early, they may use the Community Enhancement Program. In some instances, additional funds may be available to assist with these types of projects. Rectors should continue to submit requests through the annual “survey” program for projects related to the above basics.

Criteria for approval will include the appropriateness of the proposal. Larger ticket items, especially those considered durable goods, are appropriate. Consideration will be given to the likelihood a purchase “surviving” for a minimum of three to four years, desirability by the residents, and overall enhancement of community spirit. Previous approvals included exercise equipment, televisions, vestments, and a piano.

The CEP committee will meet early in the Spring semester to review second round requests. At that time they will review the factors for determining the sliding scale, and make adjustments, as necessary, for the upcoming academic year. Those adjustments and amounts available for each individual hall will be announced by April 1. The graduate residences will continue to receive $1,500 per year and will be eligible to apply for additional funding in the second round distribution.