The Ohio State
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Undergraduate
Student
Government's 2024
Spring Budget



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT

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# **Executive Summary**

In the spirit of prioritizing our organization's goals and aspirations, we present the budget proposal for the first semester of our administration. Our primary objective is to lay a strong foundation for the upcoming year, setting us up for successful large-scale initiatives and events while fostering the growth and development of our members. Additionally, we aim to enhance our visibility, particularly during the start of the academic year, and extend our support during Welcome Week events.

We are excited to showcase the work done by our team in the past couple of months, which has laid a strong foundation for the year ahead. As we move forward, we remain committed to our mission, proud of our accomplishments, and eager to make a positive difference in the lives of our fellow students. With enthusiasm and determination, we welcome the opportunities that lie ahead and look forward to an exceptional year. Together, we proudly exclaim, "GO BUCKS!" Let us forge ahead, united in purpose, and make this year one to remember.

Signed, Bobby McAlpine President of the Undergraduate Student Government



# Undergraduate Student Government Finance Team

Nothing happens financially in this organization without this team. A huge thank you to this team for helping make this budget happen!

Chief Financial Officer, Omar Al Kowatli.1

Senior Director of Allocations, Aryav Yadapadithaya.1

Finance Coordinator, Piper Wei.1199

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Office of Student Life Business Manager, Angela Britton.190

# **Undergraduate Student Government Funding Composition**

The Undergraduate Student Government receives its funding for this budget from two distinct sources.

## Student Activity Fee (SAF)

The Student Activity Fee is charged to all undergraduate, graduate, and professional students enrolled at the Ohio State Columbus campus only, which does not include students from Ohio State's regional campuses. The fee is directed to several fixed costs throughout the University, with USG receiving 5.85% of remaining funds after these fixed costs are paid. USG reports its budget on a per-semester basis to the Council on Student Affairs (CSA) Allocations Committee, sharing information about what they have used funds for, upcoming plans, and the success of their past programs.

## Coca-Cola Endowment (COKE)

The Coca-Cola Endowment was established on November 3, 2000, by funds received from the beverage pouring rights between the Coca-Cola Company and The Ohio State University. The Undergraduate Student Government is given the annual interest generated by the endowment so that it may be "Used to Contribute to the Effectiveness of the Undergraduate Student Government in Serving Undergraduate Students, and for Programs, Activities, and Services Benefiting Undergrad Students." Traditionally, the fund has been used to fund USG's internal administrative costs, leadership development programs, budgetary shortfalls, etc.

Undergraduate Student Government Budget Descriptions: Spring 2024

## **Academic Affairs**

The Academic Affairs committee strives to enhance University policies surrounding academics. The policies we are trying to enhance regard those concerning SEIs, advising, affordability in many capacities, STEP, Libraries, and many more. As a committee, we seek accountability of University Administration in terms of the student's experience with teaching, learning, and everything else related to academic affairs.

Director: Olivia Beckett.141

Total SP24 Budget: \$3,640.00

Total SAF Budget: \$3,640.00

Total COKE Budget: \$0.00

**Line #1:** New GE System Panel Event

Contact: Olivia Beckett.141

**Budgeted for in the Past:** No.

**Description:** Earlier this semester, Academic Affairs Committee met with Dean Norman Jones over in Undergraduate Education. Together, we discussed various concerns about the new GE system and how students were positively/negatively impacted by the change in courses. It was an extremely productive conversation for both admin and students, and we would like to make these convos available to the entire student. We would host a panel with a few different deans where students could attend and ask questions about the new GE system, transfer credits, etc. This would be informative for students, but also admin as well to gather feedback on how to improve the system.

#### Cost Breakdown:

Room Reservations - \$100 University Catering - \$100 (Desserts for 30) Backup Funds - \$200

**Total Budgeted:** \$400.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #2: Textbook Exchange Network

Contact: Olivia Beckett.141

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, Fall 2023.

**Description:** Textbook Exchange Network (TEN) is a database that allows students to buy/sell textbooks at a price that they are able to set. This initiative makes purchasing textbooks much more affordable. By

having tabling events to promote TEN, we hope to increase visibility and get more students involved in TEN so more people can be positively affected by the project.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Ohio Union Tabling Reservation - \$200 (\$25/day, hoping to do 8 days) University Catering - \$400 (\$50/day, Desserts for 50) Backup Funds/Marketing - \$100 (Fliers, graphics)

**Total Budgeted:** \$700.00

Funding Source: Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #3:** Professional Development Workshop

Contact: Olivia Beckett.141

**Budgeted for in the Past:** No.

**Description:** This event would be a one-stop shop for the student body to get prepped for career services/professional development. While there are professional development shops on campus, this is more centralized and open to the ENTIRE student body. Students can get a headshot taken and then attend a professional development workshop hosted by Career Services. We hope to engage with a couple of hundred students who get a headshot and attend a workshop. This would be beneficial because it gives students the chance to come to one centralized event that will help prep them for success in their career path.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Room Reservations - \$250 (Great Hall Meeting Room, workshop)

Room Reservations - \$100 (SPHINX, headshot session)

Photography vendor - \$600 (2 hours, \$300/hr) \*Maybe 3 hours (\$900)

University Catering - \$300 (Desserts/snacks for attendees)

**Total Budgeted:** \$1,250.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #4: Lab Equipment and Calculator Rental

Contact: Olivia Beckett.141

**Budgeted for in the Past:** No.

**Description:** Michigan State University does a calculator rental where students take a calculator and are allowed to borrow it for the course of the semester. We would do something similar with both lab coats and calculators. This would help students who may not be in a financial position to purchase their own lab equipment/calculators, and would help to mitigate more expenses for students. We could buy enough supples to start the initiative up, and then continue to build it up in future semesters.

#### Cost Breakdown:

Lab Coat - \$600 (\$30/coat, multiple sizes) Simple calculator - \$70 (Amazon: \$7/Calculator) Graphing calculators - \$420 (Amazon: \$70/Calculator) Backup Funds - \$200 (For unexpected costs)

**Total Budgeted:** \$1,290.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

## Association of Big Ten Students Liaison

The mission of the Association of Big Ten Students is to increase information sharing and networking among student government organizations and serve as the active collective voice of students of the Big Ten Conference. Ohio State sends a delegation to conference and annual lobbying trips to ensure OSU student concerns are voiced throughout the conference.

Liaison: Diewo Camara.57

Total SP24 Budget: \$22,730.00

Total SAF Budget: \$22,730.00

Total COKE Budget: \$0.00

**Line #5:** 2024 Winter Conference

Contact: Diewo Camara.57

**Budgeted for in the Past:** No.

**Description:** Every year, the Association of Big Ten Students (ABTS) brings together student leaders from the 14 peer institutions of the Big Ten during three conferences (Summer Conference, Winter Conference, Big Ten on the Hill). These conferences serve as a way to build connections and share ideas to improve student experience across all Big Ten schools. Additionally, conferences serve as a way to advocate for issues faced by a combined 600,000 students. Participating Big Ten schools take turns in hosting summer and winter conferences. In 2024, Ohio State has been designated as the university that will host winter conference. In January, we will be welcoming over 10 schools (each with its own set of delegates/student leaders) for a span of 4 days to accomplish the association's conference goals.

#### Cost Breakdown:

Keynote Speaker (Mayor Aftab Pureval) - \$600

Food/Beverage - \$8,800 (Union catering for a welcome dinner, networking dinner, and goodbye breakfast / external Friday dinner for approximately 80 participants)

Stadium Tour - \$1,600

Photographer and videographer - \$850 Campus Tour - \$1,000 (CABS Bus) Gateway social - \$400 (movie tickets) Room Reservations - \$2,000 (rooms throughout the Union and Hale Hall) Miscellaneous - \$500 (folders, agendas, name tags, etc.)

Total: \$15,750

\*Approximately 80% of this total will be reimbursed via the conference fee

For each attending Big ten school, total conference fee = \$150 per delegate + \$199

**Total Budgeted:** \$15,750.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #6:** Big Ten on the Hill

Contact: Diewo Camara.57

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP 23

**Description:** Every year, during the spring semester, the Association of Big Ten Students organizes a 3-4 day conference in Washington, DC. This event provides an opportunity for all Big Ten schools to collaboratively advocate for national issues related to the overall student experience. In the previous year, we engaged with state representatives and senators to address concerns like food insecurity, anti-hazing legislation, and gun safety. Each school is allowed to bring a delegation of up to 6 students, fostering networking not only among the schools but also with various grassroots organizations dedicated to finding solutions for challenges such as food insecurity, anti-hazing practices, and gun safety.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Flights - \$1,800 (approximately \$300 per person for a total of 6 people)

Hotels - \$2400 (avg. of \$260 per night for 3 rooms)

On ground transportation -- \$480 (3 day unlimited metro pass + occasional Ubers/Lyfts on a reimbursement basis)

Conference fees -- \$800 (rough estimate of the most expensive it will be)

Per Diem for food --- \$1500

Total Budgeted: \$6,980.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

## **Black Caucus**

The Undergraduate Black Caucus is an executive-level unit of the Undergraduate Student Government. This organizational unit is composed of Black students whose function is to represent, support, and advocate for the Black student body through policy, event programming, and other specialized initiatives. The Undergraduate Black Caucus is governed by its Chair and works with senior leadership to ensure overarching initiatives of USG are inclusive of Black students.

Chair: Kaira Mack.469

Total SP24 Budget: \$38,473.50

Total SAF Budget: \$38,473.50

Total COKE Budget: \$0.00

Line #7: Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC) Blood Drive & RO Blood Typing for Sickle Cell

Awareness

Contact: Kaira Mack.469

**Budgeted for in the Past: No** 

**Description:** The Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC) is hosting a Blood Drive in collaboration with Versiti, with a simultaneous blood typing station for Sickle Cell Awareness. The event aims to raise awareness about Sickle Cell Disease and promote voluntary blood donation. Blood typing kits will be provided for attendees interested in learning their blood type as part of the Sickle Cell Awareness program. A suitable venue will be secured to accommodate both the blood donation and blood typing stations and there will be food and refreshments provided for donors and volunteers to ensure a positive and energized atmosphere.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Thompson Library Room Reservation: \$600

Non-University Catering (1 Meal & Drinks for 50 People)(i.e Vendor Options Include: Chipotle, Canes,

Qdoba, etc.):  $$12 \times 50 = $600$ 

Vendor Balloon Service Decorations Estimated Cost: \$150

Contingency Fund: \$250

**Total Budgeted:** \$1,600.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #8: Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC) Freedom Center Black History Month Cultural Experience

Contact: Kaira Mack.469

**Budgeted for in the Past:** No

**Description:** The Through collaborating with the Center for Belonging and Social Change (CSBC) we are aiming to provide an educational visit to the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center from Columbus, OH to Cincinnati, organized in recognition of Black History Month. The funds are allocated to cover admission fees for participants.

## Cost Breakdown:

16.50 per ticket x 100 students=1,650

**Total Budgeted:** \$1,650.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #9: The Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC) Cap and Gown Program

Contact: Kalise Mack.497, Erin Williams.8199, and Kaira Mack.469

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP23

**Description:** The Graduation Cap and Gown Program is an effort that was established in SP23 to alleviate barriers to graduation and make resources more accessible for those who need them. Through expanding the program, we want to ensure that we meet the demand of the program that was well-received from students.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Barnes and Nobles Bachelor Bundle (Gown, Cap, and Tassel) \$63 x 150= \$9,450 Professional Dry-Cleaning Services Estimated Cost: \$400 Distribution Supplies (i.e. Garment Bags, Storage Bins, etc.) Estimated Cost: \$150

**Total Budgeted:** \$10,000

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #10: Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC) Study Smart Semester Kickoff: Blueprint for Success

Contact: Erin Williams.8199 and Jessica Asante Tutu.1

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, AU23 (Grown-ish Event)

**Description:** Following Syllabus Week, we're transforming the stress of assignments and exams into an opportunity for organization and success. Students can grab a planner to keep themselves on track, and dive into the digital age with our workshop on creating and managing digital planners. We will also teach the art of efficient scheduling with a Google Calendar mastery session, ensuring they never miss a deadline again. It will appeal to both the tech enthusiasts or fans of traditional methods.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Craft Supplies: \$50 on Amazon

Ohio Union Catering: 50 Nashville Hot Chicken with Pickles and Buttermilk Herb Mayo on White Slider Roll (\$3.50 per slider) & 50 Brutus Burger with Pepper Jack Cheese and Roma Tomato on White Slider

Roll– ketchup and mustard on the side (\$3.25 per slider) = \$337.5

Clear Gift Bags= \$20 on Amazon

**Total Budgeted:** \$407.50

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #11: Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC) Meet the Black Professors Event

Contact: Erin Williams.8199

**Budgeted for in the Past: No** 

**Description:** This intimate gathering offers Black students the unique opportunity to engage with distinguished Black faculty members in a relaxed and welcoming atmosphere, reminiscent of a cocktail night. This is a chance to discover shared experiences, career insights, and academic guidance as individuals mingle with these accomplished professors who are making a significant impact in their respective fields. This event aims to foster a sense of community, empower students, and build lasting connections that extend beyond the classroom.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Non-University Catering \$700 (1 Meal & Drinks for 50 People)(i.e Vendor Options Include: Chipotle,

Canes, Qdoba, etc.)

Supplies (i.e. Pen Set \$15 on Amazon) x 15 = \$225

**Total Budgeted:** \$925.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #12: Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC) Melanated Discussions Podcast

Contact: Sanaa Miller.11150 & Chi Mutiso.3

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, AU22, SP23, & AU23

**Description:** The Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC)'s Melanted Discussions Podcast aims to amplify voices and heritage across campus. Through engaging in captivating conversations with community members we share insights and resources with our community members while actively documenting history at The Ohio State University and the greater Columbus area.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Production Cost: \$900 (Podcast Producer)

Miscellaneous: \$100 (i.e Any incurred costs with production including but not limited to script writing,

studio booking fee, etc.)

**Total Budgeted:** \$1,000.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #13: The Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC) Black Joy Exhibit

Contact: Juanita Acquah.17, Keyanah Peters.1013

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP 23

**Description:** The Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC)'s Policy Committee will invite students to attend a live Ohio Supreme Case hearing on a relevant policy issue (depending upon what is available on the docket) with them and connect with respected bodies such as the Ohio Black Legislative Caucus to determine how to create legislative change.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Artist Gallery Booking Fee: \$1000

Artist Honorarium: (\$200x 10 artist) \$2000

**Total Budgeted:** \$3,000.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #14: The Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC) College Fair

Contact: Daizy Asante.34, Nia Thomas.4584

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP23

**Description:** The Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC) will host a college fair for Columbus City Schools high school students to provide them with resources and the ability to learn more about college and network with different programs to help shape their future.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Ohio Union Space Booking Fee: \$3000

Ohio Union Catering (Boxed Collegiate Lunch for 100persons): \$1550

Student Life Bus Chartering Service: \$2000

**Total Budgeted:** \$6,550.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #15: Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC) Ramadan 101: Teaching and Understanding Ramadan

Contact: Maceda Berhanu. 10, Fatoumata Sissoko. 4, and Arielle Barnes. 1199

**Budgeted for in the Past:** No

**Description:** This event offers Muslim students a unique opportunity to not only share their experiences on campus but also engage in meaningful dialogue with fellow students, all within an interactive and welcoming atmosphere. Our goal is to cultivate a strong sense of community while actively addressing concerns, ensuring that the voices of Muslim students are not just heard but valued. This event will be an educational and enriching gathering that explores the beauty of Ramadan practices.

#### Cost Breakdown:

Catering: Adahu Ethiopian Cuisine: Sambusa (24 lentil, 36 beef, 36 chicken→ 8 dozen, 96 sambusas) \$20

per dozen x 9= \$180

**Total Budgeted:** \$180.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #16: Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC) Hip-Hop Festival: Can I Kick It?

Contact: Maceda Berhanu.10, Hawwii Asoba.2

**Budgeted for in the Past:** No

**Description:** Join us in celebrating the rich history of hip-hop as we explore the genre's four foundational elements: DJing, emceeing, B-boying (breakdance), and graffiti painting. This lively and engaging event provides Black students with a distinctive opportunity to interact with accomplished hip hop professors and artists in a fun and upbeat atmosphere.

Artists from each element will showcase their talents to educate students on the history of hip-hop in celebration of the genre's 50th anniversary. There will be three events that constitute this festival: a panel of hip-hop music educators in the morning, a workshop/masterclass for each of the four elements in the afternoon, and a performance in the evening. Don't miss out on this chance to immerse yourself in the culture and learn from those who have made significant contributions to the world of hip hop.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Performance Fee(s)= \$400

**Total Budgeted:** \$400.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #17:** Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC) Bike Safety Program with Office of Transportation and Traffic Management (TTM) and Buckeye Bike Hub

Contact: Kaira Mack.469

**Budgeted for in the Past:** No

**Description:** In an effort to improve student experiences and increase their safety and accessibility on The Ohio State University's campus, we are collaborating with the Office of Transportation and Traffic Management (TTM) and Buckeye Bike Hub to provide students with bike lights to enhance safety for student cyclists on campus. According to Columbus Law, all cyclists are required to be equipped with front and rear lights from sunset to sunrise and during inclement weather.

Aligning with the Office of Traffic and Transportation (TTM)'s goal to encourage traditionally marginalized groups and to become a Bicycle Friendly University (BFU<sup>SM</sup>) that provides a more bikeable campus for students, staff and visitors, we are partnering to make this possible.

#### Cost Breakdown:

Quality Bicycle Products Planet Bike Blinky Light Set (Headlight and Taillight): \$8.20 per light set x 500= \$4,100

**Total Budgeted:** \$4,100.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #18:** Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC) The Center for Belonging and Social Change (CBSC) Ujima Leadership Collective Collaborative Event(s)

Contact: Jessica Asante-Tutu.1 and Kaira Mack.469

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, AU23

**Description:** The Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC) aims to collaborate on multiple efforts of the Ujima Leadership Collective at The Ohio State University this semester aligning closely with their goals to foster unity, empower members of the community, and more. Through collaborations on three impactful events per semester, we aim to uplift voices, create spaces for dialogue, and create lasting connections here on campus. Collaboratively, we will work with the Center for Belonging and Social Change (CBSC) and members of the network to amplify and embody what it means to create meaningful change and equal opportunities for all.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

We are still in discussion of what the final events for the upcoming semester will be. With that being said, prices may vary but events may look like and include the following breakdown for future reference: African-American Heritage Fest Event: \$1,000 (i.e University Catering \$600, Room Reservation \$600) National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) Event: \$1,000 (i.e University Catering \$600, Room Reservation \$600)

African-Youth League Event: \$1,100 (i.e University Catering \$600, Room Reservation \$600, Supplies \$100)

**Total Budgeted:** \$3,100.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #19:** Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC) Bike Safety Program Launch Event with Office of Transportation and Traffic Management (TTM) and Buckeye Bike Hub

Contact: Kaira Mack.469

**Budgeted for in the Past:** No

**Description:** We are collaborating with Transportation and Traffic Management (TTM) and Buckeye Bike Hub to provide students with bike lights. We are hosting this launch event to distribute the lights, assist people who may need some help installing them, register bikes and lights into the Buckeye Bike

Hub system, and to provide members of our community with additional resources that they may need to have safe transportation practices on campus!

#### Cost Breakdown:

Decorations and Signage: \$300

Non-University Catering: \$700 (1 Meal & Drinks for 50 People) (i.e. Vendor Options Include: Chipotle,

Canes, Qdoba, etc.)

Ribbon and Scissors: \$86 (\$69 on Amazon for Scissors and \$17 for Ribbon)

Snacks - \$300 - Catering delivery fee + cost for snacks itself

Drinks - \$0 free through Coca Cola Fund

Total Budgeted: \$1,086.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #20:** Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC) Family Weekend Promotional Tabling with the Black Alumni Society

Contact: Jessica Asante-Tutu.1

**Budgeted for in the Past: No** 

**Description:** The Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC) will be hosting promotional tabling for the Office of Student Life's Office of Parent and Family Relations notable events, Legacy Dinner and Sibs, Kids, and Family Day. We will showcase the Black Alumni Society, a beacon of pride and connection within the Ohio State University community, and extend an invite to all, promoting the significance of alumni interaction, especially within the Black community at The Ohio State University. This event will urge us to engage with us to learn how the Black Alumni Society fosters a sense of belonging.

### Cost Breakdown:

Ohio Union Tabling Fee: (\$25 per day) x 2 days = \$50

Ohio Union Catering: (\$110 for 5 Dozen) Cookies x 2 days = \$220 Ohio Union Catering: (\$100 for Hot Cocoa) x 2 days = \$200

Total Budgeted: \$470.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #21: Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC) Monthly Town Hall

Contact: Ryan Stewart.2124 and Zoe Lee.9849

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, AU23

**Description:** Our dynamic monthly town halls aim to merge our customary meeting time with an opportunity for community members to engage in shadowing experiences, gain insights into the work that we do, and vocalize their thoughts and concerns about things happening across campus. This recurring

monthly event will take place once a month in place of a UBC organizational meeting. We hope this serves as an opportunity for our community to share their thoughts and fosters further dialogue toward meaningful change.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Non-University Catering for Town Hall 1: \$700 (1 Meal & Drinks for 50 People)(i.e Vendor Options Include: Chipotle, Canes, Qdoba, etc.)

Non-University Catering for Town Hall 2: \$700 (1 Meal & Drinks for 50 People)(i.e Vendor Options Include: Chipotle, Canes, Qdoba, etc.)

Non-University Catering for Town Hall 3: \$700 (1 Meal & Drinks for 50 People)(i.e Vendor Options Include: Chipotle, Canes, Odoba, etc.)

Non-University Catering for Town Hall 4: \$700 (1 Meal & Drinks for 50 People)(i.e Vendor Options Include: Chipotle, Canes, Qdoba, etc.)

Miscellaneous Expenses: i.e Tips & Delivery Fee: \$100 (i.e Vendor Options Include: Chipotle, Canes, Qdoba, etc.)

**Total Budgeted:** \$2,900.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #22: Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC) Tabling

Contact: Ryan Stewart.2124 and Erin Williams.8199

**Budgeted for in the Past: No** 

**Description:** We plan to host multiple tabling sessions for the Undergraduate Student Government's Textbook Exchange Network to enhance awareness and promotional for the program for SP24 and for beginning of the semester recruitment for the Systems and Operations Committee.

## **Cost Breakdown:**

Ohio Union Catering: (\$110 for 5 Dozen) Cookies x 2 days = \$220 Ohio Union Catering: (\$100 for Hot Cocoa) x 2 days = \$200

Total Budgeted: \$420.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #23: Beanie Drake Scholarship Fund

Contact: Kaira Mack.469

**Budgeted for in the Past: No** 

**Description:** Aligning with our commitment to fostering an inclusive community and to increase opportunities and resources that directly improve student experiences, we would like to reallocate our funding for SP24 socials to the Beanie Drake Scholarship Fund. This fund enables deserving students to

participate in campus activities when the need might otherwise make it difficult or impossible for them to do so. The scholarship is funded by donations from students and student organizations of The Ohio State University and alumni affiliated with the "Beanie" Drake Scholarship.

**Total Budgeted:** \$1,000.00

Funding Source: Coca Cola Endowment Grant (COKE)

Line #24: Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC) Shadow A College Student Day

Contact: Billan Gurreh.2 and Erin Williams.8199

**Budgeted for in the Past: No** 

**Description:** The Undergraduate Black Caucus (UBC) will be hosting an interactive Shadow A College Student Day in collaboration with the College Mentors for Kids that includes a meet and greet with the university mascot, lunch with college mentors, and volunteering service hours for student participants interested in sharing their collegiate experiences!

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

\$685 (1 Meal and Drink for 40 people)(i.e Vendor Options Include: Chipotle, Canes, Qdoba, etc.)

**Total Budgeted:** \$685.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

# **Community Relations**

The Community Relations committee strives to reach out to students and be an effective communication mechanism between the student body and the student government that advocates for them. Community Relations gives both students and USG a voice by putting on forums, starting dialogue, and connecting undergraduates to their representatives.

Director: Matthew Levine.1891

Total SP24 Budget: \$1,450.00

Total SAF Budget: \$1,450.00

Total COKE Budget: \$0.00

Line #25: Residence Hall Town Hall Panel Discussions

Contact: Matt Levine.1891

**Budgeted for in the Past: No** 

**Description:** The town hall discussion at residence halls would provide a great alternative to donuts and coffee in the oval. We would cater Graeter's ice cream and hold an open forum for students to discuss things they would like to see on campus. We plan to engage with over 200 students throughout the day and we would like to especially target freshmen and sophomores who are still early enough in their college education, but also understand what Ohio State is all about. Furthermore, we found that small roundtable, focus group conversations to be very constructive throughout the fall and would like to expand those conversations to more students in the spring. Discussion topics remain TBD.

Cost Breakdown:

Graeter's Ice Cream: \$200

**Total Budgeted:** \$200.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #26:** Greek Life Petting Zoo

Contact: Matt Levine.1891

**Budgeted for in the Past: No** 

**Description:** USG would increase its exposure within the Greek Life community by putting on the first-ever petting zoo. We would partner with an external vendor and on-campus fraternities and sororities to help promote the event. We would engage with over 500 students, and this is intended to be a social, educational event to give them a reprieve from the stress of classes while passing out USG promotional items from swag to advocacy sheets.

**Cost Breakdown:** Petting Zoo: \$750

Total Budgeted: \$750.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #27: Student Leader Speed Dating Night

Contact: Matt Levine.1891

**Budgeted for in the Past:** No

**Description:** Student Org Leader Speed Dating provides another opportunity for student leaders to get to know one another while also providing prospective students involved or uninvolved an opportunity to learn more about clubs on campus. In the Speed Dating event, we will pair each attendee with a "date" based on their interests and a small survey, so that the event is as precise and productive as possible. We hope this event will spark greater collaboration amongst orgs. We have already been able to increase collaboration through the GroupMe and the Student Org Leadership Dinner, but CoRe feels that it's essential to constantly take the temperature on student org life at OSU.

## **Cost Breakdown:**

Room Reservations — \$350 Ohio Union Cartoon Room University Catering — \$150 snacks and refreshments

Total Budgeted: \$500.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

## General Assembly

The General Assembly serves as the undergraduate student body's representative and legislative body made up of elected Senators. Senators of the General Assembly serve as the chief spokespersons and representatives of the undergraduates of their constituencies.

Speaker: Alex Poling.238

Total SP24 Budget: \$44,800.00

Total SAF Budget: \$44,800.00

Total COKE Budget: \$0.00

Line #28: Allocations Student Organization Funding

Contact: Omar Al Kowatli.1

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes

**Description:** Student Org allocation funding budget for this semester as dictated by President Bobby

McAlpine and Chief Financial Officer Omar Al Kowatli

**Total Budgeted:** \$40,000.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #29:** Constituency Events

Contact: Alex Poling.238

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP 23

**Description:** Funding will be used for constituency events that all senators are constitutionally required to hold throughout the semester. It may be used for items or technologies senators need to hold their events.

#### Cost Breakdown:

\$120 allotted to approximately 40 senators

**Total Budgeted:** \$4,800.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fund (SAF)

## Government Relations

Government Relations has a mission of representing the undergraduate student body by creating and upholding relationships with leaders at the local, state, and federal level to discuss and propose ideas for the betterment of our university. Internally, we strive to facilitate the initiatives of other USG committees and their relationships with legislative bodies by acting as the main communicator and lobbyist on their behalf. Externally, we assist students by taking their suggestions, research, and ideas to government officials for support and guidance.

Director: Angad Dhillon.93

Total SP24 Budget: \$5,034.75

Total SAF Budget: \$5,034.75

Total COKE Budget: \$0.00

Line #30: Business Cards

Contact: Angad Dhillon.93

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, AU22

**Description:** Business cards allow GR to leave contact information with legislators and non-profits so we can continue our conversations and collaborate after our lobbying meetings in DC as well as at the Ohio State House. Include cards for director and five deputy directors.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Based upon last year's costs - \$85

Extra to take into account changed costs - \$15

**Total Budgeted:** \$100.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #31: State House Advocacy Day

Contact: Kenny Anderson.4106 & Dev Baisden.45

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP23

**Description:** Annual trip that allows OSU students the opportunity to visit the State House and meet with legislators to discuss issues that affect higher education and college students in Ohio.

Cost Breakdown: Condado's Lunch - \$250 (lunch for ~20 people)

Total Budgeted: \$250.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #32:** Civic Engagement Mixer

Contact: Luke Bornhorst.50

**Budgeted for in the Past: No** 

**Description:** A social opportunity for students, student orgs, and professors to network and discuss the work they do regarding civic engagement on campus as well as find opportunities for collaboration to help OSU students get more involved civically.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

University Catering - \$281.25 (3x25 Hors d'oeuvres) Poster to Advertise Event - \$15 Event reservation at setup - \$50

**Total Budgeted:** \$346.25

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #33:** Immigrant Art Gala

Contact: Katrina Guy.215

**Budgeted for in the Past:** No

**Description:** A place for immigrant artists from all over Columbus to showcase their art and will also serve as a fundraiser for which the proceeds will be donated to a non-profit to help support DACA individuals/students.

## **Cost Breakdown:**

University Catering - \$281.25 (3x25 Hors d'oeuvres) Poster to Advertise Event - \$15 Event reservation at setup - \$50

**Total Budgeted:** \$346.25

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #34:** Primary Election Tabling

Contact: Varun Thotli.1

**Budgeted for in the Past: No** 

**Description:** We will be tabling in the Union to help students request absentee ballots and provide information about candidates during the March 19th primary elections in Ohio and other states.

## **Cost Breakdown:**

Candy for Tabling - \$20

Union Promotional Space Cost - \$50 (\$25/day for 2 days)

Total Budgeted: \$70.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #35: Civic Engagement Workshop

Contact: Luke Bornhorst.50

**Budgeted for in the Past: No** 

**Description:** A workshop led by an OSU faculty member about federal issues important to students, such as social security, to help them better understand the issues and potential solutions.

**Cost Breakdown:** Catering - \$262.25 (Chipotle for 30 people)

**Total Budgeted:** \$262.25

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #36: Washington DC Trip

Contact: Varun Thotli.1

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP23

**Description:** The Washington DC trip serves as an opportunity for OSU students to visit our Federal OGA office, meet with representatives, and non-profits to discuss higher education policy and advocate for the interests of OSU students.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Hotel - \$1600 (\$800/night for 12 people for 2 nights)

Car Rental - \$1000 (\$500/car for 2 cars)

Gas - \$200

Food - \$500 (lunch and dinner for 12 people) Metro cards - \$360 (\$30/card for 12 people)

**Total Budgeted:** \$3,660.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

## Health and Safety

The Health & Safety Committee strives to research and address issues impacting the short-term and long-term health, safety, and well-being of all Ohio State students, and to sustain successful existing practices at Ohio State.

Director: Unni Shreram.2

Total SP24 Budget: \$9,808.17

Total SAF Budget: \$9,808.17

Total COKE Budget: \$0.00

Line #37: Drink Safe: Drink Test Kit Education/Distribution Event

Contact: Michael Restuccia.2

**Budgeted for in the Past:** No

**Description:** Propose the implementation of a comprehensive initiative aimed at safeguarding the well-being of the student community by distributing Drink Test Kits as a proactive measure to reduce the potential for drugging incidents both on and off campus. Aim to establish collaborative partnerships with key entities such as Student Health Services (SHS) and the Wexner Medical Center, leveraging their expertise to not only distribute these kits but also amplify awareness regarding the critical nature of this issue. Furthermore, this initiative seeks to shed light on the existing flaws in Ohio State's preventive measures, emphasizing the urgency for a more robust and holistic approach to enhance student safety and well-being.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Drink Test Strips from Amazon.com (200 Kits, each with 20 tests per order at \$15.60 per kit, totaling \$3.120)

Curl Market Catering for event - \$300

**Total Budgeted:** \$3,300.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #38:** Plan B(uckeye)

Contact: Unni Shreram.2

**Budgeted for in the Past:** No

**Description:** The purpose of Plan B(buckeye) is to create a safe space where undergraduate students can discuss reproductive rights topics with a panel of experts from the community. The benefit is that students can have an opportunity to discuss this issue in a welcoming environment. We will also work with community partners to provide free emergency contraception. The intended audience is undergraduate students interested in reproductive rights. We plan on engaging 100 people.

Cost Breakdown: Woody's Tavern - \$216 (8 full sheet pizzas, 5 cheese and 3 pepperoni)

**Total Budgeted:** \$216.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #39: New Year Self Care

Contact: Haliegh Dunn.890

**Budgeted for in the Past:** No

**Description:** Create vision boards to provide mental motivation and pass out mental health resources such as wellness journals, diffuser and oils. The benefit to students is to prepare themselves for the coming semester. The intended audience is 40 undergraduate students.

## **Cost Breakdown:**

Wellness journals - \$350 (Amazon \$10 x 35 people) Posterboards - \$20 (Amazon x \$9 per pack of 25), Vision Board Clip Art - \$20 (Amazon x 1 clipart book)

**Total Budgeted:** \$390.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #40:** Harm Reduction Tableganza!

Contact: Jack Dudas.21

**Budgeted for in the Past:** No

**Description:** We will be tabling each day of the week from Monday-Friday during this week to spread awareness about Opioid deaths and preventative measures and harm reduction resources available at OSU in CBUS. We plan on engaging 100 undergraduate students.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Large Fresh Baked Cookies (\$22 per dozen) - Get two dozen per day - \$220.00 Get 1 Assorted Dessert Bars per day (\$27 per order) - \$135.00 Test strips and Narcan will be provided by community partners.

Total Budgeted: \$355.00

Funding Source: Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #41:** Crosswalk Tabling

Contact: Michael Prashad.2

**Budgeted for in the Past: No** 

**Description:** Tabling event to gauge student opinions on crosswalk adequacy in the campus area. Data can be used to lobby OSU/City Gov with GR to push for more crosswalk construction. The intended audience is primarily off-campus students, but all who use crosswalks around campus. We plan on engaging 100 people.

#### Cost Breakdown:

Buckeye Donuts Catering (5 Days x \$94 Catering Package 1, 5 x \$42 (2 coffee carafe)) = \$680

Total Budgeted: \$680.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #42:** Drug and Safety Panel

Contact: Anu Jakate.1

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP 23

**Description:** Expanding on the first ever Drug and Safety Panel from last year, this panel will focus on spreading awareness to students (and interested faculty) about drug safety on campus and in the surrounding environment. Panelists from last year included on-campus club leaders as well as professionals from the surrounding community--I plan to have one on-campus club leader, one faculty member from the College of Social Work or Pharmacy (who is knowledgeable on this topic), one professional from the surrounding community, and either one former addict or a professional/graduate student well-versed on the subject to facilitate a discussion amongst the panelists and the audience. In order to increase turnout compared to the past year's panel, which had about 20 students attend, I plan to increase giveaways, heavily market this event starting early in the semester, and also provide more food to audience members.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

4 Stanleys for giveaway (\$40 each x 4) = \$160

Reach out to SHS to ask if Fentanyl test strips are free, but local organizations will also have them Speaker gift: \$25 per person ( x 4 people) = \$100 total. \$25 can be used to get custom candles, succulents, or other professional gifts for speakers.

Food: University Catering- Nashville Hot Chicken Skewer ( $35 \times \$3.50 = 122.50$ ), goat cheese and charred tomato bruschetta ( $25 \times 3.00 = 75.00$ ), Spanakopita ( $30 \times 2.75 = 82.50$ ), bottled drinks (15.00 per case x 4 cases = 60.00); total for food = \$340

OSU merch: \$25 per shirt x 35 shirts = \$875.

Total for whole event = 1,475 dollars - add \$25 wiggle room for total budget of \$1500.

**Total Budgeted:** \$1,500.00

Funding Source: Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #43:** Consent Tea Party

Contact: Unni Shreram.2

**Budgeted for in the Past:** No

**Description:** The purpose of this event is to raise awareness around consent and its importance. The benefit to the students is to have an opportunity to learn more about how to ask for and give consent in their daily lives. The intended audience is 35 undergraduate students. The content will be what consent is, when consent can be given and taken away, and how to practice using it in our daily lives. Participants will watch a YouTube video about consent (comparing it to tea), decorate coffee sleeves with phrases to ask for consent, and receive a free mug.

#### Cost Breakdown:

Target - \$175 (35 mugs at \$5 each)

University Catering - \$233 (tea/coffee at \$3 each for 35 people, 4 dozen muffins, Danishes, and scones)

Total Budgeted: \$408.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #44: RUOK? Day Tabling

Contact: Unni Shreram.2

**Budgeted for in the Past:** No

**Description:** RUOK? Day is OSU's largest mental health event at the Ohio Union Performance Hall to help erase the stigma behind mental illness! It is held in late March, hosted by Buckeyes Campaign Against Suicide. Through a fun environment, including FREE giveaways and THERAPY DOGS, you'll be able to walk out of RUOK? Day knowing more about resources on and around campus related to

mental health and be comfortable asking, "Are you okay? We will table to share more about USG resources and let students know what is available to them. We plan on engaging 80 people.

#### Cost Breakdown:

College Traditions - \$500.00 (Brutus Squish mallows for 25 people at \$20 each, to hand out to people as prizes)

Total Budgeted: \$500.00

Funding Source: Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #45: Denim Painting for Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Contact: Unni Shreram.2

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP 23

**Description:** The purpose of this event is to raise awareness for Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM). The benefit to students is to give them a space to engage in a lighthearted activity while learning about the serious history behind Denim Day. The intended audience is 30 undergraduate students. The content will be painting denim (bring your own, although we will have some totes available for 20 lucky winners) while talking about SAAM.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Woody's Tavern - Pizza: \$108 (4 sheet pizzas @ \$27 each)

Amazon - Paint: \$81.97 (2 colorful kits @ \$16.99 each; 1 pack of larger bottles @ \$47.99)

Amazon - Paint brushes: \$27.96 (4 sets of brushes @ \$6.99 each) Amazon - Demin tote bags: \$239.80 (20 bags @ \$11.99 each)

**Total Budgeted:** \$457.73

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #46:** Bottoms Screening

Contact: Unni Shreram.2

**Budgeted for in the Past: No** 

**Description:** As a part of Sex Week, we will be partnering with Student Advocates for Sexual Health Awareness to host a viewing of Bottoms, an LGBTQ+ comedy. The purpose is to raise awareness for issues related to LGBTQ+ sexual health. The benefit to students is to be able to enjoy an informative film free of cost. We plan on engaging 60 people interested in sexual health.

#### Cost Breakdown:

US Bank Conference Theater - \$375 Rights to Bottoms movie from Swank Motion Pictures - \$715 Popcorn machine rental from KBK Resource Room - \$10

**Total Budgeted:** \$1,100.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #47: How and When to See an OB/GYN

Contact: Unni Shreram.2

**Budgeted for in the Past:** No

**Description:** This will be more of an informational session on pap smears, first GYN visit, and more on how to seek this kind of healthcare. The benefit is that students will answer this question: What are the signs you need to see a provider? The intended audience is all people with uteruses/vaginas, not just women. We would also welcome people who support people with uteruses. We plan on engaging 40 people.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

University Catering - \$94 (2 x 1 dozen cookies at \$22 each, 2 x \$1 dozen brownies at \$25 each) Water Bottle Prizes - \$200 (\$50 x 4 bottles, to give away as a raffle)

**Total Budgeted:** \$294.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #48:** Finals Destressing Event

Contact: Unni Shreram.2

**Budgeted for in the Past:** No

**Description:** The purpose of this event is to promote taking care of your mental health during finals season. The benefit is that students can learn about mental health resources while unwinding before finals. The intended audience is 45 undergraduate students.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Sheet Masks - \$167.44 (7 packs of 23 sheet masks, \$23.92 each from Amazon) Adult Coloring Books - \$240 (40 books at \$6 each, Amazon) Shower Steamers - \$200 (10 packs of 30 steamers, \$20/pack on Amazon)

Total Budgeted: \$607.44

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

## **Internal Operations**

The Internal Operations Team strives to maintain the internal operations of USG. This includes event planning, internal communications, record keeping, and other logistical tasks. Internal Affairs also oversees USG's membership which includes the recruitment and education of new members, continued membership development, the Interns program, and membership requirements. The overall mission of Internal Affairs is to create a positive, inclusive environment within USG where students feel valued and empowered.

Director: Bella Margolin.13

Total SP24 Budget: \$0.00

Total SAF Budget: \$0.00

Total COKE Budget: \$0.00

## Justice & Equity

The mission of the Justice and Equity Committee is to support, protect, and advocate for the safety and success of all students, with a strong emphasis on marginalized groups; we will work to ensure that The Ohio State University promotes these same principles through policy and programming.

Director: Ayah Aldosari.14

Total SP24 Budget: \$14,200.00

Total SAF Budget: \$14,200.00

Total COKE Budget: \$0.00

Line #49: Arab Night

Contact: Ayah Aldosari.14 & Jineen Musa.58

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP 23

**Description:** Join the Undergraduate Student Government and the Arab Student Union in February 2024, for the annual Arab Night, taking place in the Ballroom of the Ohio Union to celebrate, uplift, and educate our community members about the diverse cultures of Arab communities. This event serves around 500 people and is one of the largest events for Arab students in Ohio.

The purpose of Arab Night is to celebrate and showcase the rich cultural tapestry of the Arab world, fostering cross-cultural understanding and appreciation. Through vibrant performances and engaging activities, we aim to create an immersive experience that not only entertains but also educates our

community about the diverse heritage, art, and traditions of Arab communities. This event seeks to promote unity, break down cultural barriers, and provide a platform for dialogue, ensuring a memorable and enlightening evening for all attendees.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Ballroom - \$4,000 Singer: Szaba - \$500

Photographer and Videographer - \$500

**Total Budgeted:** \$5,000

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #50: Native Visibility Day

Contact: Ayah Aldosari.14 & Jineen Musa.58 & Diewo Camara.57 & Kaira Mack.469

**Budgeted for in the Past: No** 

**Description:** Join the Undergraduate Student Government and Native OSU on Friday, April 12th, 2023, from 2:30 to 5:00 PM for a transformative Native Visibility Event taking place on the South Oval to celebrate, uplift, and educate our community members about the rich and diverse cultures of Indigenous communities, both within the university and beyond.

In collaboration with the Undergraduate Black Caucus and Shared Governance, this event entails vibrant displays, interactive exhibits, and performances that showcase the resilience, traditions, and contributions of Indigenous cultures.

This event is not just a celebration; it is an opportunity for education and understanding featuring traditional music and dance performances and art exhibitions. Event attendees will have the chance to engage directly with Indigenous leaders, scholars, and artists, fostering meaningful connections and promoting a sense of unity.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Drum Groups (2): \$4,000 Gift Bags (200): \$2,500 Food Truck (150): \$1,500

**Total Budgeted:** \$7,500.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #51: Diversity Summit

Contact: Ayah Aldosari.14 & Jineen Musa.58

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP 23

**Description:** Join the Undergraduate Student Government and the Native American and Indigenous Peoples Cohort on April 12-15 2024, for Justice and Equity's annual Diversity Summit, taking place in various locations to celebrate, uplift, and educate our community members about the rich and diverse cultures of Native American communities.

The purpose of J+E's Diversity Summit is to create a dynamic and inclusive space that explores the multifaceted dimensions of diversity. This year's theme is dedicated to examining the profound narratives surrounding the indigenous experience, with a special emphasis on the contemporary and historical struggle for freedom. Through thought-provoking discussions led by the Decolonization and Settler Colonialism Panels, a captivating Art Exhibit, and an uplifting Native Visibility Picnic, we aim to foster a deeper understanding of the challenges faced by indigenous communities and their ongoing fight for freedom and cultural preservation.

Our summit endeavors to create a platform for meaningful dialogue, celebration of indigenous art and heritage, and the cultivation of allyship, ensuring that every participant leaves with heightened awareness and a commitment to foster a more inclusive and equitable society.

J+E's long-term initiatives, which include tuition-free attendance and stronger support for Native students, require ongoing commitment, collaboration, and a sustained effort to address the multifaceted challenges faced by Indigenous communities. It is through our events for this year's Diversity Summit that we hope to raise awareness and garner support for OSU's vibrant Native community, which often faces intentional erasure. This is a chance for USG to act and go beyond just land acknowledgments.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Decolonization Panel Room Reservation - \$400 Settler Colonialism Panel Room Reservation - \$400 Art Exhibit Room Reservation - \$700 (will require a larger space and for more time than the other two events) Backup Funds - \$200

Total Budgeted: \$1,700

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

## Recruitment

The Undergraduate Student Government Recruitment Committee at The Ohio State University plays a vital role in fostering a vibrant campus community. Comprising dedicated student leaders, the committee's primary objective is to identify and attract diverse and passionate individuals to join the undergraduate student government. Through innovative outreach initiatives, informative workshops, giveaways tailored to student needs, and engaging campus events, they strive to inspire potential candidates to become actively involved in shaping the university's future. Emphasizing inclusivity and collaboration, the Recruitment Committee works tirelessly to ensure that all students feel encouraged to participate, regardless of their background or experience. By cultivating a dynamic and empowered student body, they contribute to a thriving and enriching academic environment.

Director: Ian Logan.439

Total SP24 Budget: \$350.00

Total SAF Budget: \$350.00

Total COKE Budget: \$0.00

Line #52: Interns and Interns Final Project

Contact: Ian Logan.439

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP 21

**Description:** At the end of Interns each year, the intern's cohort collectively works on a project. They begin this process typically at the beginning of spring semester, and we budget a small amount for them to use for their project as they would not have the ability to acquire funds by the time they are actively working on their project. Interns spend a lot of time brainstorming, problem solving, and establishing a strong baseline for their project. Once they begin implementing their final idea, they will be given access to this line item's funds to successfully carry out their vision for their project. This is an annual tradition of interns and is budgeted in advance to ensure they have access to funds once they need them towards the end of Spring Semester.

**Cost Breakdown:** The exact determination will be made once the Interns finalize the details of their project. The exact usage of these funds can be reviewed by the CFO or Senior Staff before any RFPs are submitted. Will be requesting \$350, as it should cover most basic expenses of a project.

**Total Budgeted:** \$350.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

## Senior Staff

The Senior Staff is the appointed staff of the President and Vice President. Budget items comprised by the Senior Staff seek to provide a welcoming environment for USG members, increase organizational retention, increase the leadership capacities of all USG members, and include Presidential and Vice-Presidential initiatives.

Chief of Staff: Kyla Hurns.1

Total SP24 Budget: \$24,984.50

Total SAF Budget: \$15,128.50

Total COKE Budget: \$9,856.00

Line #53: Black History Month Gala

**Contact:** Bobby McAlpine.28

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP23

**Description:** This Black History Month Gala is an inaugural event that celebrates black history on campus. This was a successful event done last year for the first time. This year it will host folks from across the campus and Middle Ohio area.

Cost Breakdown: Catering: \$3500

Event Space: \$2000 Decorations: \$500

**Total Budgeted:** \$6,000

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #54:** USB-C Adapters for Cabinet

Contact: Marina DeNunzio.10

**Budgeted for in the Past:** No

**Description:** we need usb-c adapters for cabinet because the union never has them and we desperately

need them

Cost Breakdown: \$9.99 per adapter x4

**Total Budgeted:** \$40.00

Funding Source: Coca Cola Endowment Grant (COKE)

**Line #55:** Social Budget for Spring 2023

**Contact:** Paul Huang.4572

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP23

**Description:** This line item details the internal social budget for the spring semester. This line item is intended for the members of USG and friends, who will benefit socially from this lively calendar. It includes 2 bar rentals, an on campus social, two cabinet socials, and funding for the committee socials of the operations committee and each of the six issues committees. Importantly, the committee socials for Black Caucus are not included in this line item. This is because it is the wish of Black Caucus to have their committee social budgets dedicated to a donation to the Beanie Drake Scholarship Fund, which is specified in their separate line item. The money that would have been allocated to the five committees is roughly \$1000.

Cost Breakdown: 1. Big 10 Social (4th street Bar rental+food)- \$1200

- 2. Ice breaker cabinet (Pizza)- \$300
- 3. On campus movie night (food+drinks)- \$400
- 4. Committee Socials (\$200 to 6 issues committees+operations)- \$1400

5. Outdoor games cabinet (Equipment for team sports games)- \$250

6. Formal (Rental is free at Piano Bar)+Catering)- \$500

**Total Budgeted:** \$4,050.00

Funding Source: Coca Cola Endowment Grant (COKE)

Line #56: Room Reservations

Contact: Kyla Hurns.1

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, AU23

**Description:** USG Room reservations for the semester (cabinet).

**Cost Breakdown:** 

Audiovisual Equipment - \$300 Labor \$1,200 Ohio Union Equipment \$0 Room Charge \$5,462.50 Grand Total \$6,962.50

**Total Budgeted:** \$6,962.50

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #57: Graduation Stoles

Contact: Kyla Hurns.1

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP23

Description: These stoles will be given to all graduating seniors, who graduate next spring, summer and

fall.

**Cost Breakdown:** 55 stoles \* \$40 = \$2,200

**Total Budgeted:** \$2,200.00

Funding Source: Coca Cola Endowment Grant (COKE)

Line #58: End of Year Celebration

**Contact:** Kyla Hurns.1

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes

**Description:** This is to budget for food for our annual end of year celebration

**Cost Breakdown:** University Catering - 2,916 (140 guests)

Stage Package - \$50

Miscellaneous Union Charges - \$200

**Total Budgeted:** \$3,166.00

Funding Source: Coca Cola Endowment Grant (COKE)

**Line #59:** Inauguration

Contact: Kyla Hurns.1

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP23

**Description** This is to provide the catering and room set up for the Inauguration, which is open to the student body, USG students and more.

**Cost Breakdown:** University Catering - 2,916 (140 guests)

Stage Package - \$50

Miscellaneous Union Charges - \$200

**Total Budgeted:** \$3,166.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #60:** Award Plaques

**Contact:** Kyla Hurns.1

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes

**Description:** This is the requested funds to purchase award plaques and update plaques based on our

annual End of Year Celebration!

Cost Breakdown: Based on last year's budget

**Total Budgeted:** \$400.00

Funding Source: Coca Cola Endowment Grant (COKE)

# **Strategic Communications**

The Strategic Communications committee strives to maintain open and honest communication between the Undergraduate Student Government and its constituents. The committee works to continuously strengthen USG's current communications, while planning and implementing new platforms for students to connect with their USG representatives.

Director: Dongli Tao.463

Total SP24 Budget: \$300.00

Total SAF Budget: \$300.00

Total COKE Budget: \$0.00

Line #61: Social Media Promotion

Contact: Dongli Tao.463

**Budgeted for in the Past: No** 

**Description:** This fee will be used for promoting our social media posts to more potential targets, including new/potential OSU students, student organizations, and off-campus organizations/companies.

Cost Breakdown:

Promotion Fee: \$300 (8 posts for \$37.5 each)

Total Budgeted: \$300.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

## **Student Affairs**

The Student Affairs committee strives to advance the Student Quality of Life at The Ohio State University. We have identified four factors as a benchmark for improvement: Affordability, Accountability, Accessibility, and Advance-ability. We aim to consider these factors as we undertake projects to better the existing features of Student Life, and target and fulfill the need for additional resources and opportunities.

Directors: Julia Meyer.1539 & Rut Bansal.157

Total SP24 Budget: \$64,275.00

Total SAF Budget: \$64,275.00

Total COKE Budget: \$0.00

Line #62: Buckeye Road Trip

Contact: Julia Meyer.1539 & Rut Bansal.157

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP23, AU22

**Description:** BRT is a reduced cost bus service that brings students home for academic breaks in major Ohio cities and some surroundings states. This program helps students get home safely and affordably.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Approximate Bus Rental Cost - \$30,000

**Total Budgeted**: \$30,000.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #63: Clean Up Columbus

Contact: Julia Meyer.1539 & Rut Bansal.157

**Budgeted for in the Past**: Yes, AU23

**Description:** Clean Up Columbus is a monthly clean up event that cleans the off campus area and provides \$100 funding or service hours to participating organizations.

Cost Breakdown: \$5000 for 3 events

-\$4500 around 45 organizations per event request funding

-\$500 donuts and coffee

**Total Budgeted:** \$15,000.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #64: Buckeye 5k

Contact: Julia Meyer.1539 & Rut Bansal.157

**Budgeted for in the Past**: Yes, SP23

**Description:** Buckeye 5k is an event to engage the students and community in a short, fun race around campus. It is meant to bridge the gap between students, USG, and the outside community.

Cost Breakdown: \$1800 Race Penguin fixed fee

\$975 Race Penguin per participant (3.25 for about 300 participants)

\$500 Race Penguin for marking the course

\$2500 for water bottles, granola bars, bananas, etc from Kroger

**Total Budgeted:** \$5,775.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #65:** Mental Health Talk with Ryan Day

Contact: Julia Meyer.1539 & Rut Bansal.157

**Budgeted for in the Past**: Yes

**Description:** A mental health talk with Coach Ryan Day at the RPAC open to all students.

Cost Breakdown: \$5000 budgeted last year

**Total Budgeted:** \$5,000.00

Funding Source: Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #66:** Eating Disorder Awareness Week

**Contact:** Fiona Evans

**Budgeted for in the Past**: No

**Description:** Eating Disorder Awareness week is a collaboration with Health and Safety and other organizations on campus. It will include a panel with catering, a resource fair, banner, etc.

**Cost Breakdown:** 

\$1000 x 3 tabling catering

**Total Budgeted:** \$3,000.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #67: Renter's Guide

Contact: Owen Angle.63

**Budgeted for in the Past**: Yes

**Description:** The Renters Guide is a resource that Student Affairs has been creating since 2004. It helps students moving off campus in figuring out a good realty company for them.

**Cost Breakdown:** \$500 marketing/giveaway

**Total Budgeted:** \$500.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #68:** Airport Shuttle

Contact: Julia Meyer.1539

**Budgeted for in the Past**: Yes

**Description:** The Airport Shuttle is a a free resource to bring students to the airport for free during

academic breaks! This service is provided by OSU TTM.

Cost Breakdown: \$100 per hour for up to 50 additional hours

**Total Budgeted:** \$5,000.00

Funding Source: Student Activity Fee (SAF)

## Sustainability

The Sustainability committee strives to improve our environmental ethics as a campus and to enhance students' understanding of important issues such as climate change, waste reduction, and habitat loss. Our committee is not only driven by people that have an extensive environmental background, but also by people who truly want to learn about how they can help the planet. This committee operates under the philosophy that what someone wants to accomplish, we will work on.

Director: Lilly Des Rosiers.19

Total SP24 Budget: \$19,525.00

Total SAF Budget: \$6,425.00

Total OSEP Budget: \$13,100.00

Line #69: Tree Planting Event

Contact: Lilly Des Rosiers.19, Revanth Yalamanchi.7

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes

**Description:** Students will help plant trees on campus or in the surrounding Columbus area. Students will also learn about the importance of trees for the environment and in our campus spaces. This event is a Time for Change event.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Tree sapplings: \$3,000.00 (15 young, locally sourced & native trees)

Planting tools: \$250 (8 shovels)

**Total Budgeted:** \$1,400.00

**Funding Source:** Ohio State Energy Partners (OSEP)

**Line #70:** Sustainable Fashion Show

**Contact:** Lilly Des Rosiers.19

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes

**Description:** This is a Time for Change program. This event is in partnership with local fashion designers and sellers, in which donated sustainably made clothing items will be modeled by students, and then given away for students who attend this event. Fast fashion is a huge contributor to greenhouse gas emissions and resource extraction, and this event aims bring greater awareness to the importance of sustainably made clothing. Additionally, students will be able to engage with community members working in this space.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Room Rental - \$500.00 (Curl Viewpoint)

T4C Giveaway items - \$200.00 (in the past we have done hydro flasks, compost bins, zero-waste food storage items, etc)

**Total Budgeted:** \$700.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

**Line #71:** Sustainability Market

**Contact:** Lilly Des Rosiers.19

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP21, SP22, AU23

**Description**: The goal of this program is to engage students with community owned and local businesses. Similar to our previous markets, there will be food vendors, vintage clothing sellers, jewelry, skincare and more. This event will engage OSU with our surrounding community while also promoting supporting local businesses. Student groups working in sustainability can also table during the market.

## **Cost Breakdown:**

Lasting Impressions tables & chairs - \$3,000.0 FOD zero-waste bins - \$200.00 T4C Giveaways - \$200.00

**Total Budgeted:** \$3,400.00

**Funding Source:** Ohio State Energy Partners (OSEP)

**Line #72:** Sustainability Fair

Contact: Lilly Des Rosiers.19

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP21, SP22, SP23

**Description**: This event kicks off Time for Change Week. During this event, sustainability student organizations gather and table to engage students in their work. In the past, we have done giveaway challenges for students who stop at the most tables.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Union room rental: \$2,725.00 (The Archie Griffin Ballroom)

T4C giveaways: \$500

**Total Budgeted:** \$3,225.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #73: Environmental Justice Dinner and Dialogue

Contact: Lilly Des Rosiers.19, Khendalwal.60

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP 21, SP 22, SP 23

**Description**: This Time for Change event is an educational event in which a speaker comes to discuss a topic of environmental justice and engage with students in their expertise. This presentation will take place over a catered dinner.

#### Cost Breakdown:

Union room reservation: \$1,000.00

Speaker fee: \$2,000.00

**Total Budgeted:** \$3,000.00

**Funding Source:** Ohio State Energy Partners (OSEP)

Line #74: Byrd Polar Climate Research Center & Global Water Institute Panel

**Contact:** Lilly Des Rosiers.19, Khandelwal.60

**Budgeted for in the Past: No** 

**Description**: This program will be a panel of climate and environmental professions in which students can learn about the work of Byrd and the Global Water Institute. There will be a brief presentation on the work that they are doing and they will then answer questions. The goal of this event is to increase student awareness about the climate research happening at OSU and get more students involved in their work.

## **Cost Breakdown:**

Room reservation: \$1,000.00

**Total Budgeted:** \$1,000.00

**Funding Source:** Ohio State Energy Partners (OSEP)

**Line #75:** Sustainability Summit

**Contact:** Lilly Des Rosiers.19

**Budgeted for in the Past:** No

**Description**: This summit will be a gathering of Ohio State's student organizations, faculty, professors and other groups working in sustainability. This meeting will foster expansive collaboration and communication so to promote sustainability efforts at Ohio State.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Union room reservation: \$1,000.00

Catering: \$1,000.00

**Total Budgeted:** \$2,000.00

Funding Source: Ohio State Energy Partners (OSEP)

**Line #76:** Campus Garden Initiative

Contact: Lilly Des Rosiers.19, Dean Orloff.15, Yalamanchi.7

**Budgeted for in the Past:** No

**Description**: This initiative is to implement native gardens on campus. We have been in communication with OSU's landscape architect, and the garden will be maintained by student volunteers. We hope to eventually establish paid positions for students to run the gardens.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Seeds: \$1,100.00 (Native plants, herbs and vegetables)

Miscellanous planting supplies: \$400.00

**Total Budgeted:** \$1,500.00

Funding Source: Ohio State Energy Partners (OSEP)

**Line #77:** Cooking Class

Contact: Lilly Des Rosiers. 19, Simran Surana. 19

**Budgeted for in the Past: No** 

**Description**: This event is a cooking class to engage students with cooking with locally sourced fresh ingredients. There will be a cooking demonstration and tasting along with a discussion on issues of sustainability and access in the food system.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Union instructional kitchen reservation - \$1,000.00 Ingredients - \$500.00

**Total Budgeted:** \$1,500.00

**Funding Source:** Student Activity Fee (SAF)

Line #78: Off-Campus composting

**Contact:** Lilly Des Rosiers.19

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP 23

**Description**: This initiative increases access for off-campus students to compost. As done in the past, this program covers student's cost to engage in The Compost Exchange's drop-off program.

## **Cost Breakdown:**

The Compost Exchange - \$300

Total Budgeted: \$300.00

Funding Source: Ohio State Energy Partners (OSEP)

**Line #79:** Greek Life Recycling Competition

Contact: Lilly Des Rosiers.19, Morgan Wordelmann.1

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP 23, AU 23

**Description**: This initiative is to engage greek life fraternities in recycling during their Block for the spring game. This initiative is a competition that will reward the fraternity with the least amount of contamination in their recycling efforts with buckeye donuts at one of their events.

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

FOD zero-waste bins - \$200.00

Competition winner giveaway - \$300.00 (Buckeye Donuts)

**Total Budgeted:** \$500.00

**Funding Source:** Ohio State Energy Partners (OSEP)

Line #80: Seeds of Service

Contact: Lilly Des Rosiers.19, Kyra Pallotta.17

**Budgeted for in the Past:** Yes, SP21, SP22, SP23

**Description**: The purpose of this event is to engage students with service and outreach while promoting sustainability. In the past, we have partnered with FLOW to host a river clean up. This will be a Time for Change Event

#### **Cost Breakdown:**

Catering: \$200 (Panera)

T4C Giveaways: \$1000 (Hydroflasks & Patagonia fanny packs)

**Total Budgeted:** \$1,000.00

Funding Source: Student Activity Fee (SAF)

# Undergraduate Caucus/Shared Governance

Shared Governance is a system of university decision-making that formally brings together faculty, administrators, and students to approve and review university policy. Ohio State's robust Shared Governance system includes the University Senate, as well as many university committees. Each of these bodies gives full voting and participation rights to its student members. Ohio State students are quite fortunate in this respect, as student involvement is less formalized at many other universities.

To USG, Shared Governance is where we apply our student advocacy to real policy proposals. Projects from USG Cabinet Committees and resolutions from USG General Assembly can be introduced into the Shared Governance system for higher-level discussion and consensus-building. Ideas approved via Shared Governance are generally enacted by university administrators.

Chair: Julius McIntyre.268

Total SP24 Budget: \$0.00

Total SAF Budget: \$0.00

Total COKE Budget: \$0.00

# Undergraduate Student Government Budget Percentages

Area	Amount	Percentage of Budget
Academic Affairs	\$ 3,640.00	1.45%
Association of Big Ten Students (ABTS)	\$ 22,730.00	9.04%
Black Caucus	\$ 39,473.50	15.69%
Community Relations	\$ 1,450.00	0.58%
General Assembly	\$ 44,800.00	17.81%
Government Relations	\$ 5,034.75	2.00%
Health and Safety	\$ 9,808.17	3.90%
Internal Operations	\$ -	0.00%
Justice & Equity	\$ 14,200.00	5.64%
Recruitment	\$ 350.00	0.14%
Senior Staff	\$ 25,984.50	10.33%
Strategic Communications	\$ 300.00	0.12%
Student Affairs	\$ 64,275.00	25.55%
Sustainability	\$ 19,525.00	7.76%
Undergraduate Caucus	\$ -	0.00%

Total Budget Requested	\$ 251,570.92
Student Activity Fee (SAF) Request	\$ 227,614.92
Coca Cola Endowment Fund (COKE) Request	\$ 10,856.00
OSEP Request	\$ 13,100.00