THE OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY'S
Patriot Green Fund

What is it? And how can you use it?
The Patriot Green Fund (PGF) is a $100,000 per year fund devoted to making Mason’s campuses more sustainable through campus infrastructure improvements and student research projects. All Mason students, faculty, and staff are eligible to apply.

Have an idea to improve campus sustainability
The PGF is designed to fund campus infrastructure projects that will reduce Mason’s environmental impact or allow for student research in the field of sustainability.

Not sure if your idea is eligible? Ask before you apply! We can help and provide tips for success: pgf@gmu.edu

Find a mentor to get support
Students applying for funds must have a staff or faculty mentor to verify the project scope is feasible, provide guidance, and facilitate success.

Need help finding a mentor, let us know! pgf@gmu.edu

Get permission from the appropriate stakeholders
If the project will affect campus operations or will be a permanent structure, you need to secure permission before requesting funds.

Not sure who to ask? Don’t worry, we can help: pgf@gmu.edu
How to Apply

CHOOSE THE APPLICATION THAT IS RIGHT FOR YOU

For small-scale and low cost projects and research

Quick Funds
If you need less than $1,000 and the project is small in scope, you can submit a quick fund application. They are accepted on a rolling basis and you will hear back from the committee in a week or two. If approved, you can start right away.

For large-scale or high cost projects and research

1. Preliminary Application
For projects that are large in scope or will cost more than $1,000, you will first need to submit a preliminary application by one of the PGF deadlines. The committee will provide feedback and tips for what to incorporate into the final application.

2. Final Application
Complete the final application by one of the PGF deadlines to include project details regarding logistics, timeline, and budget. If approved, the committee will help coordinate your purchases and provide project assistance when needed.