

The Green Initiative Fund (TGIF) Orientation

In Winter quarter 2016, the initiative was presented to students and passed. It received final approval by the Chancellor and UC Regents during the summer of 2016.

The TGIF undergraduate student fee of \$3.00 per quarter began in the **fall of 2016** and would **sunset in 2021**. There was no Consumer Price Index (CPI) adjustment on this fee.

From **2021 – 2024**, TGIF spent down their reserves as there was no fee income.

Ratification of the referendum reinstated the fee beginning **fall 2024** at **\$3.50 per quarter** with the amount increasing by \$0.50 annually through Academic Year 2033-34.

The aim of TGIF is to provide funding that enables students to have a greater impact on sustainability within the UC Davis campus and the immediate region. The fund provides grants to projects that improve educational opportunities, promote environmental awareness, engage in sustainability research, advocate for climate and environmental justice, increase energy and water efficiency, and reduce the amount of waste created on campus.

TGIF is managed within the Office of Sustainability in recognition of its central role in campus operations, academic projects, planning, design, and policy. TGIF outreach, proposal coordination, and grant management is managed by a staff member.

COSAF provides oversight for TGIF fee revenue.