MTSU Clean Energy Initiative Project Funding Request

1. General Information	
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2. Project Categories (Select One)				
Select the category that best describes the project.				
	Energy Conservation/Efficiency		Sustainable Design	
	Alternative Fuels	1	Other	
	Renewable Energy			

3. Project Information

- a. Please provide a brief descriptive title for the project.
- **b.** The project cost estimate is the expected cost of the project to be considered by the committee for approval, which may differ from the total project cost in the case of matching funding opportunities. Any funding request is a 'not-to-exceed' amount. Any proposed expenditure above the requested amount will require a resubmission.
- c. List the source of project cost estimates.
- d. Provide a brief explanation in response to question regarding previous funding.

3a. Project Title

MTSU RecycleMania

3b. Project Cost Estimate \$1,000

3c. Source of Estimate

Recycling Program information (bag and glove prices, staff wages)

3d. If previous funding from this source was awarded, explain how this request differs?



4. Project Description

(Completed in as much detail as possible.)

- a. The scope of the work to be accomplished is a detailed description of project activities.
- b. The benefit statement describes the advantages of the project as relates to the selected project category.
- c. The location of the project includes the name of the building, department, and/or specific location of where the project will be conducted on campus.
- d. List any departments you anticipate to be involved. Were any departments consulted in preparation of this request? Who? A listing may be attached to this form when submitted.
- e. Provide specific information on anticipated student involvement or benefit.
- f. Provide information for anticipated future operating and/or maintenance requirements occurring as a result of the proposed project.
- g. Provide any additional comments or information that may be pertinent to approval of the project funding request.

4a. Scope: Work to be accomplished

RecycleMania is a competition held among college and university recycling programs across the United States and Canada. One spring competition category is the total amount recycled at a home athletic event. We are considering basketball or baseball games.

The work to participate involves making sure recycling bins are emptied and placed in and around the fan area for the designated home sports game, collecting the recycling from the bins after the game, separating out the recyclables, estimating the total weight per type of recyclable, and reporting the data to RecycleMania.

4b. Scope: Benefit Statement

From participating in RecycleMania, MTSU would gain insight into our campus recycling culture. The competition would serve as a benchmarking tool—a standard of comparison not only to other schools but also to our own future participation—for us to promote recycling on campus.

4. Project Description (continued)

4c. Location of Project (Building, etc.)

Athletic event fields/courts, Haynes Turner Building

4d. Participants and Roles

Sydney Smith: coordinate project and report data

Volunteers: help collect and count the recyclables (some organizations require

community service hours, so this would be a good opportunity for that)

Recycling program staff: oversee the volunteers

4e. Student participation and/or student benefit

Through volunteering for the event, students gain not only community service hours but also first-hand experience with recycling management. They can then share this knowledge—about the current economy of recycling and what type and quality of materials are acceptable recycling candidates—with their peers. Further, the project will bring awareness to the MTSU Recycling Program.

4f. Future Operating and/or Maintenance Requirements

N/A

4g. Additional Comments or Information Pertinent to the Proposed Project

MTSU can also participate in RecycleMania informally, by posting our recycling data without officially competing, in order to gain our own benchmark to prepare for any future participation.

5. Project Performance Information

Provide information if applicable.

- a. Provide information on estimated annual energy savings stated in units such as kW, kWh, Btu, gallons, etc.
- b. Provide information on estimated annual energy cost savings in monetary terms.
- c. Provide information on any annual operating or other cost savings in monetary terms. Be specific.
- d. Provide information about any matching or supplementary funding opportunities that are available. Identify all sources and explain.
- 5a. Estimated Annual Energy Savings (Estimated in kW, kWh, Btu, etc.)

Energy savings involve a decrease in fuel use for the transportation of athletic event trash to the landfill.

5b. Annual Energy COST Savings (\$) Same as 5a.

5c. Annual Operating or Other Cost Savings. Specify. (\$)

Operating cost savings include lower landfill tipping charges for disposing of athletic event trash.

5d.Matching or Supplementary Funding (Identify and Explain) N/A