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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: 3- YEAR BUDGET AND FINANCES OF STUDENT LEAF

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of two board members, the President and Public Relations Officer, pre-approved by the AVP of Finance, Michelle Quinn. All other board positions remained on a volunteer basis.

### What can we expect from Student LEAF in Year 3?

As we round out our third year of Student LEAF, we have a number of projects in our proposal pipeline set for implementation. Additionally, we have a series of educational and student engagement efforts as we close our final semester.

#### Current Projects:

- Powersol umbrellas (~19 on campus) to generate additional solar energy in outdoor spaces for students and the campus community
- Additional recycling receptacles around campus to increase our recycling efforts
- Campus Recreation Center Bag Ass Fans to cool buildings without AC while contributing to HVAC efficiency and reduced energy costs during high volume events
- Water bottle filling stations/ drinking fountains throughout various campus buildings
- Wise Acre Farm to demonstrate sustainable concepts in real life situations

#### Educational Efforts:

- In partnership with Dining Services, a vigorous educational campaign around recycling/composting around campus with additional recycling receptacles
- Earth Week Educational Series on environmental racism with Diversity Mentors in residence halls

#### Research Efforts:

- Conducted a successful and completed case study by Treasurer (Cyrus Fernandez) around Student "Perceptions of Sustainability and University Responsibility" program assessment and evaluation with the intent to publish
- Generated a cross-sectional survey around student perceptions of sustainability and recycling/composting. Treasurer (Cyrus Fernandez) and delivered the UNCO student body with a 53% response rate
- Currently working with Dining Services to create a complimentary survey around sustainability to be sent to faculty and staff

#### Student Engagements:

- Our biggest event, Earth Week, contains a whole week of engagement efforts geared towards raising awareness of sustainability and an opportunity to field interest on possible initiatives

### Recommendation

Taking all of what Student LEAF has accomplished within our three year existence, I believe Student LEAF is right on track with building a campus community around sustainability. Our finance report reflects our deep

