

Sponsor(s): Trenton Draper, Speaker of the Senate; Ashleigh Oliver, Senator for the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

The University of Alabama in Huntsville

A Resolution to Support the Establishment of a Campus Composting Program and Facility

Whereas,

1. The University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAH) no longer recycles its 11,637,080 pounds of waste annually; and
2. Composting facilities open universities to grant and research opportunities for the Colleges of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences, Business, Engineering, and Science; and
3. The University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa already has an established campus composting program, and the University of Alabama in Birmingham has established a sustainability strategic plan that includes composting; and
4. Our university's position as a member of the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education calls us to "inspire and catalyze higher education to lead the global sustainability transformation,"; and
5. When polled, 89.6% of the 182 responding UAH students responded "yes" when asked if they would support the establishment of a composting program, with 8.8% responding "maybe" and 1.6% responding "no"

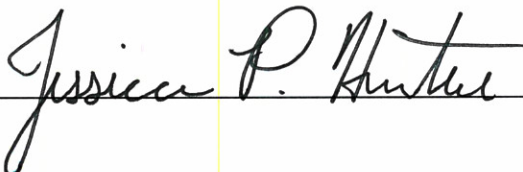
Therefore, let it be hereby enacted that The Student Government Association of The University of Alabama in Huntsville (SGA) shall:

1. Issue a recommendation that an allotment of land equal to or exceeding one half ($\frac{1}{2}$) acre be designated for the construction, maintenance, and research of a dedicated composting facility.
2. Allot five thousand three hundred dollars (\$5,300.00) to the UAH Green Club from the SGA Budget, on the condition that the land is allocated in accordance with the recommendation issued in Item 1, in the event that land is not allocated to the UAH Green Club, then the funding from the SGA will not be necessary.
3. Issue a recommendation that the vegetable and paper waste from UAH Dining Services as well as the paper and coffee ground waste from the entirety of the campus of UAH be set aside in Green Club-provided and managed bins for the regular collection by their compost facility personnel.

Furthermore, copies of this bill shall be sent to the following:

Dr. Darren Dawson, President of the University of Alabama in Huntsville; Dr. Kristi Motter, Vice President for Student Affairs; Todd M. Barré, Vice President for Finance and Administration; Dr. Robert Lindquist, Vice President for Research and Economic Development; Greg Smith, Assistant Vice President for Facilities and Operations; Claire Jackson, Director of Utilities and Sustainability; Sukesh Parameswaran, General Manager of Food Services and the Bevell Center; Nikki Goode, Director of Student Life

Vice President's Signature:  Date: 11/19/20

President's Signature:  Date: 11/19/20



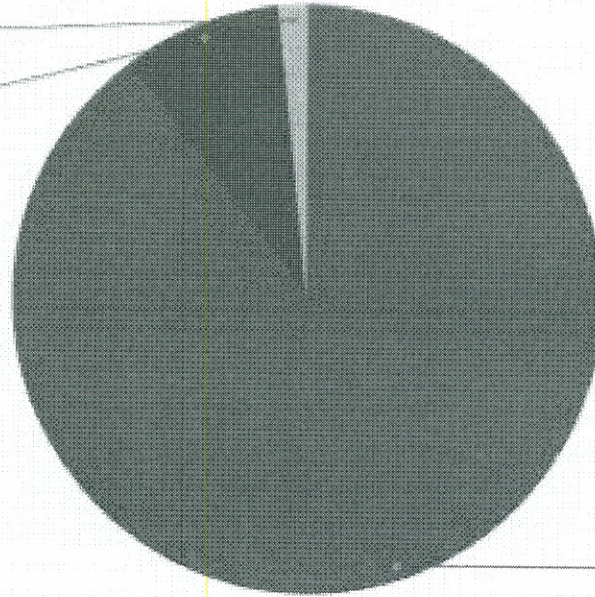
Count of If UAH were to establish a composting program, would you support it?

No

1.6%

Maybe

8.8%



Yes

89.6%