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TO: Division of Student Affairs, SSF Applicants, and University of Arizona Students  
FROM: Student Services Fee Advisory Board

RE: Advice ALLOCATIONS FY 2012

*The Student Services Fee Advisory Board has recommended and the Vice President for Student Affairs has accepted the following for Allocation from the Student Services Fee in FY 2011-2012.*

**Final Allocations by SSFAB, March 2nd & 3, 2011**

Project Number	Project Name	Dept	Requested		Allocated		Balance
			Yrs	Amount	Yrs	Amount	
							\$1,588,600
SF12.01P1VP1	Campus Neighborhoods Night Security	Residence Life	1	\$156,000	1	\$100,000	\$1,488,600
SF12.02P2	Women's Resource Center	DOS	3	\$114,073	2	\$116,100*	\$1,372,500
SF12.03N1VP1	Next Steps Center	Admissions	3	\$100,000	0	\$0	\$1,372,500
SF12.04P1	Emerging Leaders Program	DOS	2	\$160,160	1	\$160,200	\$1,212,300
SF12.05F2	MERITS	Academic Success & Achievement	2	\$70,485	2	\$70,500	\$1,141,800
SF12.06N	Upperclass Mentoring & Career Development	Academic Success & Achievement	3	\$93,374	0	\$0	\$1,141,800
SF12.07P1	PIP Program Graduate Assistant	AZ SU	2	\$16,950	1	\$17,000	\$1,124,800
SF12.08N1VP1	Club Funding 2011-2012 Program	ASUA	1	\$25,000	0	\$0	\$1,124,800
SF12.09P2	Think Tank Staffing	Think Tank	3	\$500,000	2	\$500,000	\$624,800
SF12.10N	Million Dollar Scholar	Financial Aid	1	\$5,000	0	\$0	\$624,800
SF12.11P1	Disabled Cart Services	ASUA	3	\$44,670	1	\$44,700	\$580,100
SF12.12N	ATLAS Leadership Program Graduate Assistant Funding	Leadership Prog	3	\$39,019	0	\$0	\$580,100
SF12.13P1	Graduate Assistantships Opportunities	AZ SU	3	\$84,750	1	\$50,900	\$529,200
SF12.14N	Savvy Student Wednesdays	AZ SU	1	\$382,000	0	\$0	\$529,200
SF12.15P2	Career & Employer Development Programs	Career Services	3	\$77,500	2	\$77,500	\$451,700
SF12.16F1	Daily Wildcat Subscriptions & Jobs	AZ Student Media	1	\$60,000	1	\$60,000	\$391,700
SF12.17P1	Student Employment Opportunities	AZ SU	3	\$51,000	1	\$30,600	\$361,100

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SF12.18F3	Safe Ride Program	ASUA	3	\$140,000	3	\$140,000	\$221,100	
SF12.19P1	Student Transitions Student Assistants	Academic Success & Achievement	3	\$55,075	1	\$55,100	\$166,000	
SF12.20N	AZ Student Unions Games Room Staffing	CSIL	2	\$13,171	0	\$0	\$166,000	
SF12.21P1	Project RUSH	Financial Aid	3	\$112,837	1	\$112,900	\$53,100	
SF12.22P2	Student Legal Services	ASUA	3	\$50,000	2	\$41,500	\$11,600	
SF12.23F2	Coordinator Student Assistant & Advocacy	DOS	2	\$48,792	2	\$48,800	\$(37,200)	
		<b>Total</b>				<b>\$2,399,856</b>	<b>\$1,478,200</b>	<b>\$(37,200)</b>
		<b>Reserve= \$304,000</b>						<b>\$266,800</b>

\*Amount allocated is different for year 1 and year 2

**Rationales:**

**SF 12.01P1 Campus Neighborhoods Night Security**

The board recommends partial funding of \$100,000 for 1 year. The board was not sure if this program will meet the needs of safety on campus and also questioned how well the program will be able to measure progress and success. However, the board recognizes the uniqueness of the program and feels it would be beneficial to the student body. With less than full funding, the program will still have value while it would be only slightly less effective

**SF 12.02P2 Women's Resource Center**

The board recommends partial funding of \$116,100 for the 1<sup>st</sup> year and \$114,100 for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year. The board felt that this program is unique, while Health and Wellness was a high priority on the survey and fits in perfectly with the student affairs mission. This program includes a professional program, but is a pilot program so the board recommends funding for two years. The board would like this expanded program to seek outside funding.

**SF 12.03N Next Steps Center**

The board recommends not funding this application. The board feels like this program is valuable for the student body, but hesitates to make it a priority. None of the students that are directly affected (besides those that would be employed) pay the student services fee. This program is also not a priority for students who pay the fee, and with scarce resources the board cannot justify funding it.

**SF12.03P1 Emerging Leaders Program**

The board recommends partial funding of \$160,200 for 1 year. The board is concerned about the sustainability of the positions as well as the real benefits these positions will contribute to the student body compared to what the application proposes it will contribute. However this program will help bring quality graduate students to campus to run useful programs, many of which will have direct and indirect positive benefits for undergraduates as well. This program does not include a professional position and the board feels that the applicant will be able to measure the success of the pilot program after one year.

**SF12.04F2 MERITS**

The board recommends full funding of \$70,500 for 2 years. The board believes that this program provides crucial learning and academic support, increased retention, student job opportunities and was high on the survey priority list. This program affects many students per dollar and promises to secure its own funding after 2 years.

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### **SF12.05N Upperclass Mentoring & Career Development**

The board recommends not funding this application. The board is very impressed with the Arizona Assurance program itself as is, and believes it provides a good service for its targeted students. However the board does not have unlimited resources and have already committed to funding another mentoring program. Also this program would have a hard time monitoring success and did not clearly demonstrate that it would function better as an expansion than just within Arizona Assurance.

### **SF12.06P1 PIP Program Graduate Assistant**

The board recommends partial funding of \$17,000 for 1 year. The board felt that this program does not fulfill any of the priorities on the student survey. However this provides an important experience inside a campus job and helps to usher in a lot of projects that improve the Student Union. This program does not include a professional position and is still in its infancy.

### **SF12.07N Club Funding 2011-2012 Program**

The board recommends not funding this application. This program is high on the priority list, however with scarce resources and in light of the fact ASUA will already be receiving \$75,000 already awarded for FY2012 for this express purpose. Ultimately the board felt that the marginal benefit of allocating to this program is not as high as allocating the \$25,000 elsewhere.

### **SF12.07P2 Think Tank Staffing**

The board recommends partial funding of \$500,000 for 2 years. This program is high on the priority list based on the student survey and the high dollar amount allocated is easily rationalized by the extreme growth in only one year that this program has experienced. The board feels that this is one of the best places to put student fee money since it pays students to tutor other students in academics with money paid by students.

### **SF12.08N Million Dollar Scholar**

The board recommends not funding this application. Although increasing student access to financial aid is one of the highest priorities on the student survey, this program does not exactly meet this need. It does not increase access to financial aid, it only spreads awareness about the nature of financial aid resources in a one-off manner. Ultimately the board felt that this program is valuable, but not critical to the needs of the student body.

### **SF12.09P1 Disabled Cart Services**

The board recommends partial funding of \$44,700 for 1 year. The board feels that this is a critical service on campus that demonstrates clear student need. The board hopes to see this program seek outside funding, and wants to be flexible with student money since this application does not include a professional position.

### **SF12.10N ATLAS Leadership Program Graduate Assistant Funding**

The board recommends not funding this application. The board feels that this is a valuable but not necessarily critical program for the student body. Leadership development was not a high priority on the student survey and with scarce resources, the board could not justify allocating to this program. Some members of the board felt that this program may not be the best way to meet student needs for leadership experience.

**SF12.11P1 Graduate Assistantships Opportunities**

The board recommends partial funding of \$50,900 for 1 year. The programs that these positions will lead are not a high priority on the student survey. However these services are valuable, although not necessarily critical to student life, and the board feels that the student body is best served with these programs' continued existence not to mention the great opportunity for graduate student employment. Three positions in particular are high in value: Sustainability, Gallagher, and Off Campus Housing which is how the board rationalized recommending enough money to fund three graduate assistantship positions.

**SF12.12N Savvy Student Wednesday**

The board recommends not funding this application. This program is one of the highest priorities on the survey, however it was also the only program explicitly named on the survey. The board deliberated over this application for a long time, and was the centerpiece of intensive debate. However, in the end all of the board came to the same conclusion, that this program is not cost effective. The program is not sustainable, and does not make it actually make it financially easier to eat on campus. If a student ate at \$3 Wednesdays every week that it is offered, it would ultimately only yield a \$12 savings for that student. This is not an acceptable student per dollar impact, especially since many students cannot take advantage of this offer. Additionally almost no graduate students take advantage of this offer, since many do not eat on campus. The board believes that the majority of students sitting in our position with our information would come to the same conclusion.

**SF12.13P2 Career & Employer Development Programs**

The board recommends partial funding of \$77,500 for 2 years. A new and unique program with potential this program addresses "expanded career related opportunities" head on, which is #3 on the student survey priority list. This program also utilizes cross-departmental collaboration to address a clear university need, especially in times of financial insecurity for both the university and students. This application includes a professional position so the board recommends 2 years of funding.

**SF12.14F1 Daily Wildcat Subscriptions & Jobs**

The board recommends full funding of \$60,000 for 1 year. This decision was the result of a tie breaker in the open board meeting with the board evenly split down the middle. Many board members felt that the paper itself is probably no longer a primary news source for students on this campus, and were concerned with subsidizing this paper year after year for a variety of reasons. Ultimately this application received a positive recommendation from enough board members due to the innovate application presented (compared to in the past). In addition for requesting a subsidy, the application also requested money for new student jobs pilot program, with a proposed solution for the existing problem of how to increase auxiliary revenue. The program was a relatively high priority on the student survey and unsurprisingly scored even higher on the Daily Wildcat's own survey.

**SF12.15P1 Student Employment Opportunities**

The board recommends partial funding of \$30,600 for 1 year. This application requested undergraduate student jobs to support their graduate student supervisor counterparts in the Graduate Assistantships Opportunities application. Once gain this was not very high impact per student per dollar and with a scarcity of resources the board recommends a matching 3/5 of the requested amount in order to be proportionate with the amount of graduate students running these areas. The board also felt that this application was unintentionally deceitful since the board is forced to match funds with the other related application or else fund a program only to see it fail. In the future the board would like to see these applications combined.

**SF12.16F3 Safe Ride Program**

The board recommends full funding of \$140,000 for 3 years. The board feels that this program has demonstrated growing student support and need. It provides good student jobs and helps to support academic success. However the board really wants Student Affairs to make this program a priority and would like to see other sources of funding or corporate partnership. The board funded this program for three years to ensure its longevity while locking their budget in place, since it already accounted for future growth.

**SF12.17P1 Student Transitions Student Assistants**

The board recommends partial funding of \$55,100 for 1 year. The multi-program collaboration improves efficiency, brings down costs and in one year we should be able to see results of hiring 20 undergraduate students that undergo shared training.

**SF12.18N AZ Student Unions Games Room Staffing**

The board recommends not funding this application. The program did not demonstrate high student impact or need, it was not high a priority on the student survey and compared to other applications the benefit of students per dollar was relatively low.

**SF12.19P1 Project RUSH**

The board recommends partial funding of \$112,900 for 1 year. This application clearly demonstrated need for this program, not to mention access to financial aid is a high priority on the student survey. The program does not call for a new professional position, and the board wants to see measurable success so it recommends one year of funding.

**SF12.20P2 Student Legal Services**

The board recommends partial funding of \$41,000 for 2 years. The board believes that this is a valuable and critical student service that affects many students per dollar. The \$9,000 that the board recommends not funding is for a student assistant that is already covered by another application. The board is highly concerned about the long term sustainability of the program and wants to clearly send a message to Student Affairs, *please prioritize this program!* We recommend funding for 2 years because this is a professional position, and if the applicant returns after that time, we hope to see an attempt to seek other sources of funding.

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### **SF12.21F2 Coordinator Student Assistant & Advocacy**

The board recommends full funding of \$48,800 for 2 years. This program clearly demonstrated need and increased demand for an additional position and the board recommends 2 years of funding because it is a professional position. However, if the applicant wishes to apply for funding in the future, the board urges that both positions are included in the same application, or it could be interpreted as attempting to manipulate the board which could affect funding outcomes.

The Board also recommends that if there are remaining funds that it be allocated to the following programs (listed in order of preference):

1. Next Steps Center (\$100,000 for 1 year)
2. Club Funding 2011-2012 Program (\$25,000 1 year)
3. Campus Neighborhoods Night Security (the remaining \$56,000 for 1 year)

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