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Campus Activities

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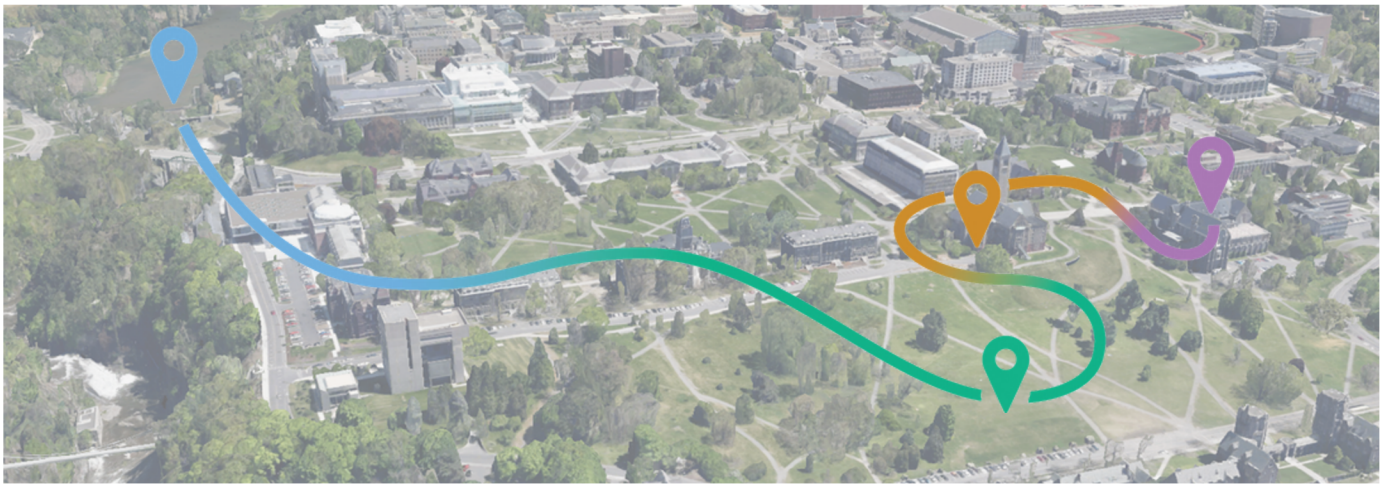
Student Organization Funding Tracks

An equitable funding program for student organizations that promotes collaboration, education, and responsible spending.



Track 1: Beebe Lake ($500-1000)

All new groups start here and this is where the foundation for a student organization begins. Additionally, returning organizations may choose to stay in this track based on what is best for them. Enjoy the stroll!

Track 2: Libe Slope ($1000-2000)

This is where the slope starts to climb, and with more funding comes more responsibility. This track is the most popular as it is home to most student organizations. It combines just the right level of resources, workshops, and funding to help student organizations be successful in achieving their mission.

Track 3: McGraw Clock Tower ($3000-4000)

The clock tower is an iconic symbol of Cornell, with its bells ringing throughout campus. This track has up to a $4000 spending cap and is designed for organizations hosting mid-sized campus programs. With a higher level of funding, each group needs to have a solid foundation and a strategic officer development program.

Track 4: Willard Straight Hall ($5000-8000)

The student union was built in 1925 and is the nucleus for student engagement and community. As the student body grew, student clubs started taking a more significant role in defining what it meant to be involved outside the classroom. This track has the highest requirements and fosters intentional involvement to unlock a spending cap of $8000 (for SAFC and ICC, CSC is 6K). Willard Straight believed in the power of collaboration and community.

To be considered for a funding track or movement for the following academic year, your organization must meet the requirements during the current academic year. The track requirements must be maintained and completed yearly for evaluation by the primary funding boards and Campus Activities.

Organizations can only advance one track level (including letters) per year. The size of the student organization, financial necessity, and completion of the specific requirements of a funding track all factor into evaluating a student organization's financial needs.

The ultimate decision to assign a particular track lies with the primary funding umbrellas and is not guaranteed by the successful completion of track requirements. However, to ensure the organization is not bumped down a track level, it is critical to maintain the expectations within that track.

GPSAFC has a separate system for determining funding needs for student organizations classified as Graduate/Professional Student Groups. Please find more details by visiting the GPSAFC website here.

*For the Leadership Workshop Series, any officer, general member, or advisor may attend on behalf of the organization.

Track 1: Beebe Lake

REQUIREMENTS

- Must be a registered organization on CampusGroups
- The organization must send a representative(s) to the 2 Leadership Workshop Series, with 1 workshop taking place in the fall semester.
- Update ALL Officers/Advisors in CampusGroups
- Update member roster on CampusGroups
- Current contact info on CampusGroups
- Officer Transition Binder recommended

INCENTIVES

- **1A spending tier cap is $500 (SAFC, CSC)**
- **1B spending tier cap is $1k (ICC)**

- Organization page on CampusGroups
- Reserve rooms and spaces on Campus
- Register for a table at ClubFest
- Use Cornell branding (with authorization)
- Request additional funding from CU Tonight as well as other supplementary funding boards.
- Access to Leadership Workshop Series

Track 2: Libe Slope

REQUIREMENTS

- Must be a registered organization on CampusGroups
- The organization must send a representative(s) to the 3 Leadership Workshop Series, with 2/3 workshops taking place in the fall semester.
- Update ALL Officers/Advisors on CampusGroups
- Update member roster on CampusGroups
- Current contact info on CampusGroups
- Officer Transition Binder recommended

INCENTIVES

- **2A spending tier cap is $1k (SAFC, CSC)**
- **2B spending tier cap is $2k (SAFC, CSC, ICC)**

- Beebe Lake Track benefits

Track 3: McGraw Clock Tower

REQUIREMENTS

- Must be a registered organization on CampusGroups
- The organization must send a representative(s) to 4 Leadership Workshop Series, with 2/4 taking place in the fall semester.
- Update ALL Officers/Advisors on CampusGroups
- Update member roster on CampusGroups
- Current contact info on CampusGroups
- Officer Transition Binder required
- Collaborate with another organization per academic year

INCENTIVES

- **3A spending tier cap is $3k (SAFC, CSC)**
- **3B spending tier cap is $4k (SAFC, CSC, ICC)**

- Beebe Lake benefits
- Early bird processing for re-registration

Track 4: Willard Straight Hall

REQUIREMENTS

- Must be a registered organization on CampusGroups
- The organization must send a representative(s) to 6 Leadership Workshop Series, with 3/6 taking place in the fall semester.
- Crowd Management Training is recommended
- Update ALL Officers/Advisors on CampusGroups
- Update member roster on CampusGroups
- Current contact info on CampusGroups
- Officer Transition Binder required
- Collaborate with another organization per academic year
- Must be able to demonstrate a contribution to the broader campus community

INCENTIVES

- **4A spending tier cap is $5k (SAFC, CSC)**
- **4B spending tier cap is $6k (SAFC, CSC, ICC)**
- **4C spending tier cap is $8k (SAFC, ICC)**

- Beebe Lake benefits
- Early bird processing for re-registration
- Featured event banners on the main page of CampusGroups