



## Eco-Initiatives Form \$100 to \$500

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Date: Tuesday, November 25, 2014

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Club or Group Affiliation: UBCC350

Amount Requested: \$400

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### 1. Describe your project and its purpose (approximately 200 words)?

UBCC350 is coordinating the Vancouver Climate Risk Forum, Friday December 5<sup>th</sup> @ The Harbour Centre (downtown) with Evening Keynotes at SFU's Gold Corp. Centre for the Arts (downtown)

The event will provide an opportunity for attendees (largely financial professionals, labour reps, elected officials and financial decision makers) to discover and discuss climate risks and fossil fuel divestment.

The program consists of speakers in the morning, roundtable discussions in the afternoon with Keynote Speakers in the evening (open to the public).

Confirmed speakers thus far: Mike McGinn (former Mayor of Seattle), Andrea Reimer (Vancouver City Council), Marc Lee (CCPA), Tzeporah Berman (activist-author), Brett Fleishmann (350.org) Andrew Gage (West Coast Law), Christie Stephenson (NEI investments), Karen Lockridge, Monika Freeman (CERES), Vanessa Timmer (One Earth)

**2. Outline how your project pertains to the environment and sustainability at UBC (approximately 200 words)?**

This project pertains to the environment and sustainability at UBC because we have extended the invitation to the UBC Board of Governors hoping that some members of the Board will attend the event and leave the forum well versed on divestment and the financial risks associated with fossil fuel holdings. This event can lead to sustainable action taken by the BOG to reduce the carbon footprint of UBC's endowment fund that's currently 9X larger than our carbon foot-print on campus. (see UBCC350's divestment Brief)

UBC is in the perfect position to be one of the first major Universities to divest from fossil fuels, and the first one in Canada if they pursue this initiative that students, faculty, TA unions and staff labour unions have voiced their support for.

UBC should align its investments with its values and emphasis on sustainable living by divesting from fossil fuels.

**3. Are you pursuing any other sources of funding? If so, what sources, and for what amount? (SEC Treasurers can help you identify other sources of funding.)**

Yes we are pursuing other sources of funding opportunities. So far we have received funding from Sustainable SFU, purpose capital and One Earth as this is a conjoined event with a committee composed of city employees, SFU and UBC students. We are waiting on additional funding from 350.org to cover flight expenses for our guest speakers coming from California and Toronto.

**4. What aspects of your project (purchases, bookings) will SEC funding be used for? Please outline the specific allocation of funds as much as possible.**

Thank You Gifts For Guest Speakers 10 x \$30  
\$300 for The Book of Kale cookbook written by UBC's Sharon Hanna  
(potentially signed by the author)


Promotional Materials:  
\$100 for poster and program printing on recycled paper

In addition, we would add the UBC SEC to our list of sponsors on the program/ website and provide discounted rates for any members interested in attending the event.

See our website for tiered ticket prices and more information

<http://www.vancouverclimaterisk.ca>

Thank you,

**Signed (Your Name):** 

**SEC Treasurer**

Name:

Signature:

**SEC Chair**

Name:

Signature:

**A note about Eco-Initiatives Grants**

If your project is approved, the SEC will reimburse you for the purchases made. You must provide the SEC with proof-of-purchase. If you have any questions regarding the Eco-Initiatives Funding, please contact SEC Treasurers\*. Arrangements can be made to provide students with funding before purchasing if they cannot afford to make the purchase for their project and then receive compensation. Reimbursement usually takes about 5 business days. Eco-Initiatives Grants can fund a wide variety of projects; any projects related to the environment or sustainability, and involving members of the UBC student body, will be considered. However, requests for funding for projects undertaken as part of coursework at UBC, or individual volunteer projects, must illustrate a connection to the wider student body at UBC.

Completed forms should be emailed to [enviro@ams.ubc.ca](mailto:enviro@ams.ubc.ca). Alternatively, we welcome you to drop your form off at our office, Room 245B of UBC's Student Union Building. The Treasurers and other active members of the SEC would love to help you formulate your project, and will be glad to assist with the project's development and applications for funding.

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