FSILG System Sustainability

FSILG Alum Retreat
January 28, 2023
Challenges to the AILG/FSILGs

- Membership
- Residency
- Alumni Support & Involvement
- Role of the AILG
- Capacity of the IRDF
Fraternity Membership (% Undergrads)

% of Undergraduates that are Members of Fraternities 2003-2022
Sorority Membership (% Undergrads)

% of Undergraduates in Sororities 2003-2022
ILG Membership (% Undergrads)

% of Undergraduates in ILGs

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Year: 2012 Fall, 2013 Fall, 2014 Fall, 2015 Spring, 2015 Fall, 2016 Spring, 2016 Fall, 2017 Spring, 2017 Fall, 2018 Spring, 2018 Fall, 2019 Spring, 2019 Fall, 2020 Spring, 2020 Fall, 2021 Spring, 2021 Fall, 2022 Spring, 2022 Fall
% of Women Undergraduates at MIT
House Bills 2021-2022 ($/semester, room + board)
Room Only 2021-2022 ($/semester)
Sustainability
Analysis of System-wide Operating Expenses

• Fixed costs represent ~75% of expenses.
• Summer income is 25% of most house operating budgets.
• Organizations observed a marginal reduction (<20%) in utilities for empty buildings.
• Cannot defer safety inspections and building maintenance.
• Expect increased expenses for cleaning, protective equipment, and meals with new operating protocols.

→ Any scenario with reduced occupancy has severe financial impacts.
→ Loss of summer income has already constrained house budgets for 2020-21.
→ Support from MIT will be essential to preserving FSILG student housing (1000+ beds)

**Slide from pandemic Sustainability Working Group**
FSILG Residency (% of desired academic year capacity)

**2 fraternities closed since 2019**
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Challenges Affecting House Residency

• MIT has improved dorms and plans to bring all up to Tier 1 condition.
• Students want more space and most don’t want to be bothered with maintenance.
• Parents have high expectations for student housing.
• Some organizations have allowed students to turn doubles and triples into singles.
• Organizations need to be clear about residency expectations.
• Organizations need to communicate benefits of being immersed in the house environment.
• Others...
What are your thoughts on making the FSILG system more sustainable?