

FSILG Facilities Renewal Update

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FSILG Facilities Renewal

- **FSILG Facilities Renewal Committee** - Joint AILG/DSL committee approved as AILG ad-hoc committee in November 2018.
- Committee Charge: To promote and support implementation of the physical renewal of the Fraternities, Sororities and Independent Living Groups (FSILGs) to ensure they remain vital and vibrant resources to MIT students by implementing the the recommendations of the 2018 facilities assessments.
- **Our goal: To make it easy and affordable for organizations**
- Focused on identifying potential life-safety community-wide projects
 - Utilize economy of scale
 - Identify professional Project Manager to complete detailed assessment and oversee program



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FSILG Life-Safety Improvement Program (FLIP)

- Identified life-safety improvement opportunities common to all houses:
 - > Doors and egress, fire alarms, sprinkler systems
- Issued RFP and hired Project Manager for Phase 1: Doors and Egress
 - > Conducted detailed cost estimation on 3 pilot houses
 - > Review and approve report content and format (in progress)
- Funding
 - > IRDF covering project manager expense + assessment of each house
 - > IRDF covering project cost at safety percentage: 75% IRDF, 25% house (proposed)
- **Community Meeting on Wednesday, October 6 @ 6pm (on zoom)**



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IRDF Policies Update

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IRDF: Updates to Educational Space

The intention of the updates to educational areas and expenses is to focus on livability, safety and education.

Educational Area Modifications:

- These updates are made to recognize that the primary educational space for most students is in their bedroom. Dedicated fully educational spaces, such as libraries and study rooms, will continue to be recognized as before.
- Additional educational space will include 25 square feet per resident student, as documented by the academic year OMM.
- There will be a 27% maximum total Ed% per house.
- No changes in prior assignable space calculations (as determined by Insite assessments) will be made unless in response to an IRDF-approved renovation or reconfiguration.
- The policies take effect starting July 1, 2021 for Grant Year 2022 Educational Operating Grants and Minor Project Grants.

These changes will increase the total Educational Space Percentage (Ed%) for most houses.



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IRDF: Updates to EOGs and Minor Project Grants

EOG reimbursable expense categories have been modified to reduce impact of fixed expenses and encourage increase in quality-of-life and safety expenditures. The updates to Minor Project Grants will allow the IRDF to support as many FSILG houses as possible.

Educationally Proportional Expenses - reimbursed at 40% of Ed% of actual cost (no change).

- **Eliminated Categories:** Lease (to external entity), Property Taxes, Electricity, Oil & Gas (& Steam), Water & Sewer, Insurance (non-liability), Insurance (liability)
- **Retained Categories:** Trash, Roof & Envelope – includes window maintenance, Central HVAC – maintenance, Pest Control, Elevator
- **Added Categories: Professional Services:** Facility management (cap of \$15,000), Cleaning service (cap of \$15,000), Snow removal service (No cap), Landscaping service (No cap, pre-approval), Electrical expenses (No cap), Plumbing expenses (No cap)

Safety Expenses - reimbursed at 75% of actual cost (no change)

Educational Equipment - reimbursed at 75% of actual cost (no change)

- Limited to equipment only.

Minor Project Grant Update

- Educational area modifications (as above)
- The maximum annual grant is reduced to \$50,000.



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IRDF: A Cornerstone of Support for the FSILGs

- A major sources of income for the IRDF is alumni/ae donations
- **THANK YOU for your support!!**
- More information at web.mit.edu/irdf/

In order to be good stewards of our resources, we need to know if you are planning a major project or applying for a loan in the next 5 years.



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