Volunteer First Impressions Contest
Do you know of an area on campus that needs sprucing up?

Facilities Services can help!

10 WINNERS CHOSEN
PROJECTS $10,000 OR LESS

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The **Volunteer First Impressions** contest is for campus projects only. Projects typically include one or more of the following: carpet, paint, plants or landscape, signage or other similar items.

Entries will be judged on their overall impact to the campus community, and scope is within the limit of **$10,000 or less to complete**. This $10,000 MUST be spent with Facilities Services.

Entries should be for public spaces; private areas or offices will not be considered. Entries should also demonstrate how they impact student, faculty, staff, or visitor first impressions at UT Knoxville.

**Anyone can submit an entry for the contest and 10 winners will be chosen.**
To enter you can do one of the following:

Submit a written statement on how fixing up this area will enhance campus life at UT Knoxville;

or

Send 2-5 photos or a quick video (limited to two minutes) taken on your smart phone to show Facilities Services the area involved and explain how this project will enhance campus life at UT Knoxville.
You can submit your entry in one of the following ways:

Email Sam Ledford at sjones80@utk.edu

Post your entry on the FS Twitter Account: @utfacilities

Post your entry on the FS Instagram Account: @utkfacserv
Contest Dates & Deadlines:

Entries are due no later than Friday, January 31, 2020

One winner will be announced each weekday March 2 through 13, 2019.
Project Examples:
Claxton Rain Garden: $\approx4,000$

BEFORE

AFTER

3,500-square-foot space filled with more than 2,000 plants
Graphics/Interior Improvements

**Mossman**

Approximately $10,000 would cover the costs of installing wall graphics or improvements like you see at the new Mossman and Student Union Buildings.

**Student Union**
Street Furniture/Groupings

Engineering Quad

Volunteer Boulevard

Site furniture and furnishings like tables, chairs, bike racks, etc. are another example of what could be covered by the $10,000 offered for a project if chosen.
Vest Pocket Parks
LED Lighting Upgrades

**Plant Biotech**
Replaced the fluorescent with LED bulbs in the common areas. ≈$6,000

**AMB Dance Studio**
Replaced the fluorescent fixtures with LED hi-bay fixtures in dance studio. ≈$6,000

**HPER**
Replaced the fluorescent fixtures with LED hi-bay fixtures in rock climbing wall area. ≈$9,900
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<td>Communications Building</td>
<td>≈$2,200</td>
<td>Removing shelves, cabinets, countertops to create multiple work stations.</td>
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<td>Stokely Management Center</td>
<td>≈$1,600</td>
<td>Paint and carpet one room and paint one small room.</td>
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<td>Science and Engineering Building</td>
<td>≈$4,300</td>
<td>Paint walls and install floor vinyl in one room.</td>
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<td>Morgan Hall</td>
<td>≈$4,000</td>
<td>Paint walls, ceilings &amp; closets in four different rooms.</td>
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<td>College of Nursing</td>
<td>≈$1,600</td>
<td>Remove door between two rooms and drywall space. Soundproof and paint impacted areas.</td>
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<td>Hodges Library</td>
<td>≈$1,800</td>
<td>Refinish eight wooden doors.</td>
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<td>Perkins Hall</td>
<td>≈$8,000</td>
<td>Installation of cubicle including power and a network connection.</td>
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<td>Dougherty Engineering Building</td>
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<td>Upgrade lighting and paint one room.</td>
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<td>Veterinary Medical Center</td>
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<td>Office of Equity and Diversity</td>
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<td>Scrape and paint doors and windows on exterior of building.</td>
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<td>UT Gardens</td>
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<td>Install boardwalk at Wetlands.</td>
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<td>Law Complex</td>
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<td>Remove wallpaper from first floor hallway and paint where paper was removed. Also paint where all electronic bulletin boards are located.</td>
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Frequently Asked Questions:

Can departments add money to the $10,000 project in order to recommend a larger Project?
No. The Facilities Services Department does not want those departments or areas without the resources to provide additional funding to be at a disadvantage. For that reason, for this initial contest we will keep the competition to $10,000 projects.

Can you suggest two projects right next to each other in order to have a $20,000 project?
Yes. However, those submitting need to understand both projects may not be funded. Any suggestion needs to be able to be accomplished by itself regardless of whether other submissions are chosen.

Are any areas eligible? What about auxiliaries like Residence Halls, Athletics, etc?
Yes, any area or space is eligible as long as it is on campus.
What if your submission is not chosen? Will we find out why?
Yes. Facilities Services will respond to everyone who submits a project to the contest.

What if the project you submit is not chosen at this time? Will there be other opportunities?
The Facilities Services Department hopes to make this an annual competition.

If we do not know what $10,000 will buy how do we know our submission will be eligible? How do we estimate the cost of what would be required?
Those submitting do not need to estimate the potential cost. Facilities Services will do cost estimates for ideas submitted that are finalists. PLEASE submit any idea you have for consideration.

Other questions?
Contact Sam Ledford at sjones80@utk.edu or (865) 297-3027