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New S&A Funding Request received!

Requesting Organization

ASEWU

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Budget Request and History

Attach Budget Request Spreadsheet (found at top of form)

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Please select which represents your request best?

FY23 Budget Request

Please provide a summary of your dept/prog/unit.

ASEWU like so many other student-governments across the state, have had to address contingent, annual concerns of their respected student bodies, while facing increasing residual effects from the pandemic. The pandemic was a financial burden for all, and ASEWU still managed to be an active and helpful resource for the student body throughout, despite systemic barriers like health requirements, socio-cultural barriers such as growing apathy of students and professors when concerning university life and community. ASEWU was asked to navigate those barriers and did a more than adequate job. Now that the pandemic is behind us (Let's hope), ASEWU has managed to up its game, despite receiving less funding. Less funding means less hours logged into the office for the entire team, which gate keeps ASEWU from reaching its full capacity. This past Spring, ASEWU underwent a wage reduction, which required the team to make some tough choices. In the end, this year's leadership was able to budget and plan effectively, which has allowed ASEWU to have its most lively and productive year since before the pandemic.

How does your dept/prog/unit plan to spend the awarded funds?

Our team this year has been focused on providing as much financial assistance as it possibly can to the various student-led clubs and orgs. Here is a direct quote from one of our current Associate Justices:
"Without these funds, many clubs would not be able to do anything without their own work and integrity by creating their own fundraisers too keep the clubs going. Money as we know, is our main commodity in this society, and is our main commodity too keep clubs and programs healthy. Without it, our strength is weakened. In actuality and reality, most clubs and especially the diversity programs need more money and support then they are getting. This has been an ongoing issue for generations, and we are trying to combat it through our own actions but like with everyone, we all need some help in the end." ~ Strong Heart

Strong Hearts feelings about how greatly ASEWU assists NASA, is felt by many other leaders of the various clubs and orgs ASEWU assists.

Outside of Club and Org assistance, this year's team has been focused on campus safety and inclusion. The Sean Gillispie fiasco that was a hot topic of debate during the fall quarter was a perfect example of ASEWU addressing the concerns of the student body, who were not wanting a figure like him to come.

Did your dept/prog/unit receive funds in FY23?

Yes

If you answered yes to the previous question, please submit the total amount received.

\$352,000

Salaries, Benefits, & Wages

Does your request include any staff salaries/benefits, and/or student wages?

Yes

How many UNDERGRADUATE student employees are being supported by S&A funding?

13

How many GRADUATE student employees are being supported by S&A funding?

1

How many CLASSIFIED staff are being supported by S&A funding?

0

How many ADMINISTRATIVE staff are being supported by S&A funding?

1

How many FACULTY staff are being supported by S&A funding?

0

Please confirm that you have budgeted for all salary increases, according to the Budget Assumptions outlined, and that number will be included in your direct expense figure when you build your budget

- Yes

Impact From Funding

How does your dept/prog/unit collaborate with other departments, programs, units?

ASEWU collaborates with a number of student-led clubs and orgs. Our team members are tasked with providing assistance and to help elevate marginalized voices in different areas. Our members work alongside students and faculty in those departments to make sure that student needs are met and exceeded. This is accomplished through the hosting of events, such as the get-out-to-vote event, wellness and mental health event, and the vehicle safety check for students who need help with their vehicles in the winter months. Our committees are also another mechanism that is used to seek out students who are willing to share their voices on student concerns and questions like: "Where does this Tech fee money go?", "What about the Transportation fee?", "Why is the athletic budget so massive?".

How does your dept/prog/unit collaborate with outside stakeholders?

Our organization is primarily internally focused; however, we do collaborate with outside entities for certain events and sponsorships. We worked with both Natasha Hill's campaign staff and Cathy McMorris-Rodgers staff, in attending the get-out-to-vote drive that ASEWU sponsored this fall quarter. Both staffs were respectful and grateful for such an opportunity, which is saying a lot in the year 2023.

How does your dept/prog/unit contribute to the local/regional community?

ASEWU contributes to the local community by striving towards providing a safe, and exciting campus lifestyle for students from all walks of life. By maintaining a healthy campus lifestyle, the local community indirectly benefits. When there is more student engagement on campus, the engagement with the local community of Cheney will follow-suit. The campus is still the center of Cheney, and more retention and more excitement amongst the campus life, can financially and culturally benefit the local business community, as well as social communities that are part-in-parcel of the City of Cheney.

What impact(s) does this dept/prog/unit have on campus? Briefly describe the need for your dept/prog/unit. How does your dept/prog/unit support the mission and/or goals of EWU?

The associated students at Eastern Washington University (ASEWU) impacts the campus community through service. As the governing body for the students, the team is often the first to contact students on campus who are facing issues or have problems that need to be addressed. The team is committed to the success of the student body. The ASEWU office is dedicated to creating a culture where the team does not only feel safe but where the team can be their true, genuine selves. We have made strides to build this environment through connections on campus, tabling events, and the student engagement hub hosted in fall quarter.

How does your dept/prog/unit assess the effectiveness of your programs/services and how is it tracked?

Our organization uses metrics to evaluate the activity and participation of clubs that the team funds. The team track's number of member meetings, attendance at those meetings, on-campus events hosted, and attendance at ASEWU student organization meetings that occur multiple times during the quarter. The team hold's internal evaluations at least three times a year, as well as oversight and supervision from a university advisor.

Financial Responsibility

What are the top funding priorities for your dept/prog/unit and is any of this funding for contracts? If so, how much?

The top priorities are student and administrative wages, which are essential to the success of this organization. The total for wages is \$213,768.92. Besides that, the \$40,000 that the team is given to allocate to clubs and orgs is the next important number.

How does your dept/prog/unit track and manage your budgets to ensure financial sustainability?

ASEWU employs a student to track the varying expenses to confirm the team stays on budget. The team also works closely with student accounting to ensure that the team is responsible with the money that has been awarded to us. Every month, I personally present to the team at a work session the current finances of our team.

How will you ensure that student fees do not subsidize non-student use?

Every single funding request (from clubs and orgs), or in-house expenditures must be approved by a majority of council, (currently we have eight council members) to ensure funds are not awarded to clubs or individuals, who are not abiding by our current bylaws. Our bylaws specifically state that all events and activities that are awarded by ASEWU to clubs or individuals must be open to all students and can. We also work with student accounting to ensure that those funds are not used for inappropriate or unapproved expenditures, with regard to state and university laws.

Engagement

Please share the number of STUDENTS your dept/prog/unit serves annually.

1,000

Please share the number of FACULTY your dept/prog/unit serves annually.

0

Please share the number of STAFF your dept/prog/unit serves annually.

1

Please share the number of ALUMNI your dept/prog/unit serves annually.

0

Please share the number of OUTSIDE STAKEHOLDERS your dept/prog/unit serves annually.

7