



Tiny Stream Exit Report

Congratulations on completing your project! Please fill out the brief survey below to let us know more about your experience.

1. Please enter your project title.

Smith's Tea Goes Sustainable!

2. Please enter your project leader's name.

Behzad Borhan

3. Please briefly summarize the project and its key accomplishments. How has your project helped to grow a culture of sustainability at McGill? You may consider social, economic, and/or environmental sustainability in your response. *(max 5 sentences)*

The Smith's Tea project at McGill University fosters interdisciplinary connections through weekly gatherings. As the Student Council President, I've utilized the Sustainability Project Fund to purchase kitchen appliances from thrift stores, reducing waste and supporting the local community. We've successfully transitioned from disposable to reusable cups, plates, and utensils, promoting environmental sustainability. These efforts have contributed to cultivating a culture of sustainability at McGill by encouraging conscious consumption and waste reduction in our community space.

4. If applicable, how many volunteers have been involved in your project?

10 graduate students

5. If applicable, how many people have been trained in your project?

N/A

6. If applicable, please list any partnerships or collaborations have that been developed during your project? *

The Smith's Tea project has led to collaborations among graduate students at the Institute of Islamic Studies. These gatherings have facilitated discussions about research projects, resulting in connections and partnerships for collaborative initiatives. By fostering interdisciplinary interactions, the project has encouraged students to work together on group projects, promoting a culture of collaboration and knowledge exchange at McGill.

7. If applicable, how much funding has been raised for subsequent activities to SPF funding?

N/A

8. If applicable, how many tons of GHG emissions have been reduced by your project? (tCO₂)

N/A

9. Will this project continue in the future? If so, how do you envision the future of the project / how will your purchased items be maintained?

Yes, the Smith's Tea project will continue in the future. We plan to host the gatherings on Fridays in the upcoming academic year as well. The items we have purchased, such as kitchen appliances and reusable cups, plates, and utensils, are all safely stored in the common room designated for the project. These items will be readily available and maintained for use in each event, ensuring the sustainability and continuity of the project.

10. Please briefly describe any challenges your team experienced during the project.

During the project, our team encountered challenges in sourcing the desired appliances from thrift stores. As we were dedicated to purchasing only used items, finding all the necessary appliances in a

single thrift shop proved to be difficult. This led to delays in completing our shopping list, as we had to visit multiple branches across the city to find the specific items we had planned to buy. Despite these challenges, we remained persistent and committed to our goal of promoting sustainability through second-hand purchases.

11. Is there any additional information you would like to share about your project?

12. Since starting your SPF project, has your team improved its knowledge of sustainability?

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to share

13. How satisfied are you with the support your team received from SPF Staff?

- Very Satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither Satisfied Nor Dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very Dissatisfied

14. How likely are you to recommend the SPF Tiny Stream to others?

- Extremely likely
- Very likely
- Somewhat likely
- Not so likely
- Not at all likely

15. If you wish to elaborate on your choices for Questions 11 and 12, please use this space.

16. Thank you for completing this survey! If you would like to speak further about your project, please do not hesitate to reach out to SPF staff.