Sustainability Projects Fund

EXAMPLE SUCCESS INDICATORS

A success indicator is a measurable value that represents progress towards a desired impact of a project. The SPF seeks project impacts that meet the following criterion:

	EVALUATION CRITERIA
IMPACT	The project creates a positive change, which can include behaviour change and/or improvements in institutional performance. The project and its impacts are shared with the community, and it is planned so that there is a lasting impact, institutionalization, or potential to scale, when possible.

Formula for creating a success indicator

Step		Example	
1.	Determine a desired impact from the project.	Behaviour change after a	
		workshop	
2.	If the desired impact is difficult to measure, choose a simpler, concrete	People who attended the	
	representation of the impact that is countable or measurable in some	workshop	
	form.		
3.	Determine what type of data is measured		
	a. If it is countable and measured after the project has occurred \Rightarrow #	# of people who attended the workshop	
	b. If it is countable and measured before and after the project $ ightarrow$ %	% of people who acted differently after the workshop	
	c. If it is continuous \rightarrow kg, m^3 , \$		
4.	Set a target for the indicator. Throughout the project, the target will be		
	used as a reference to track progress towards the desired impact.		

Behaviour change indicators

- Measure improved knowledge, attitudes or actions
- Methods: surveys, attendance sheets, observation, quizzes, etc.

Example Behaviour Change Indicators		
# of individuals informed about the project		
# of social media shares		
# of individuals trained		
# of participants who can better explain after workshop		
% of individuals that acted after learning about topic		

Institutional performance indicators

- Measure environmental performance changes
- Methods: inspection, carbon calculators, certification, surveys, audits, etc.

Example Institutional Performance Indicators		
m^3 of water saved		
# of energy saving features installed		
kg of waste diverted from landfill		
# buildings certified		
# of partnerships between different faculties/universities		

Event indicators

- Measure changes due to participation in an event
- Methods: pre- and post-event surveys, sign-ups for program, observation, quizzes, etc.

Example event indicators	
# of interdisciplinary networks formed after event	
# of participants pledge to reduce meat consumption at event	
# of individuals trained on topic	
# project ideas stemming from brainstorming workshop	