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STUDENT GROUPS

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STREAMLINING THE FUNDING PROCESS

Work with the Committee on Financial Affairs to create guidebooks, FAQs, and office hours outside of the SGA office so that we can make our funding more accessible to everyone.




INTERCONNECTIVITY BETWEEN GROUPS

Continuing to host broad group mixers is a great way to make sure every student group can get connected. However, these should be hosted in addition to smaller, themed mixers. (i.e. There should be mixers specific to community service organizations, cultural groups, etc). This will aid in student group coalition building.

BRINGING IN GROUPS OUTSIDE OUR TRADITIONAL DIALOGUES

There are student groups falling between the cracks because they do not have any connection to the Student Government Association. Because these groups rarely interact with SGA, we miss the opportunity to meet, listen, and work with important voices on this campus. To bridge this gap, we need to meet people where they are. Office hours for finance, legislators, and the executive branch cannot just take place in the SGA office.



HUMANIZING THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

We must treat the SGA as members of any other student group. To erase the elitism that SGA's name carries, we need to go to student events. We need to integrate ourselves into our communities. To help achieve this, we will make a consolidated list of events from student groups each month. This will make it easier for SGA members to find these events and attend them and it will also be a great resource to the student body.

LEADERS TO LEADERS

Creating a monthly event where student leaders from other groups (like DSACs, cultural organizations, and more) can casually meet with their representatives to discuss legislation and initiatives they want to see. This is another way to put our ears to the groups to make sure our efforts actually meet student needs.

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