



STUDENT FEES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

FY25 ONE TIME REQUEST
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HYGIENE PRODUCTS

The Women and Gender Resource Center is seeking funding for hygiene products.

The Project: As a center dedicated to addressing gender-related concerns, the WGRC has taken up an important initiative to provide free menstrual products to the UH community. A 2021 study found that 1 in 4 students experienced difficulty accessing menstrual products on a monthly basis. This is an increase from 2019 that reported that 1 in 5 students experienced period poverty. Without access to menstrual products, students are more likely to miss class. This same study revealed that 4 out of 5 teens missed class or knew a classmate who missed class because they did not have access to period products. In addition to negatively impacting student success by making it difficult to attend class while menstruating, access to these products impacts mental health, and lack of access contributes to greater likelihood of depression. Providing menstrual products therefore alleviates this barrier for menstruating students and enhances student success.

DSA Strategic Initiative:

Student Success: Champion exceptional opportunities and services to support all UH students.

SS3: Foster the holistic well-being of all students through coordinated, intentional services and processes.

Resources: Evaluate, actively pursue, and leverage resources to enhance the UH experience.

R2: Pursue and develop resources to address identified gaps and needs.

DESCRIPTION	PRICE
Hygiene Products	\$5,000
Admin Fee (6%)	\$300
TOTAL	\$5,300