Project Scope:
The Student Services Fee supports the salary of the very first, professional, full-time Program Director for the Women’s Resource Center - this support is significant in that all Pac-10 schools outside of Arizona have a professionally directed Women’s Center. The Program Director will advance the programmatic activities of the student directors and interns, enhance campus partnerships, and most importantly, focus on the long-term success of the Center via strategic planning, fund development, and the professional development of the student directors, interns, and service users.

Outcomes
- To provide services that reflect the University of Arizona students’ requests for more services relating to Wellness and Health, including, self-defense classes, sex education workshops, HIV and STI testing, Safe Walk, and among providing other educational programs and services.
- To “professionalize” the Women’s Resource Center with a Program Director, provides opportunities for fund development, enhanced programs and services, professional development for the student users, and a long-term plan for the growth of the Center.

Special Note
Per the September 25th memorandum (see attached memo) to Matthew Totlis, Chair, Student Services Fee Advisory Board and JoLene Unruh, Student Affairs Director of Finance, the search for the Program Director, Women’s Resource Center was delayed due to the unanticipated movement away from creating a Community Center where the four cultural centers, LGBTQ Affairs, and the Women’s Resource Center would co-locate, under a new model of population-specific support and a larger, campus wide effort of social justice programming, diversity education, and intergroup dialogue.

The Program Director search process began in early September, and stretched into late November and we are pleased to share that the Search Committee was comprised of individuals (students, faculty and staff) from the campus community who have a vested interest in the success of the Women’s Resource Center. Malia Uhatafe, the current Student Director of the Women’s Resource Center, was a member of the search committee and played a key role in ensuring that the student interns actively participated in the search process.

The three finalists for the position were all outstanding candidates; however, one individual distinguished herself as being the best person to advance the Women’s Resource Center in a variety of areas. We are pleased to announce that the new Program Director, Women’s Resource Center, is Lori VanBuggenum, a University of Arizona alumnus. Her anticipated start date is Monday, January 25, 2010.

Student Response:
- The Program Director Search Committee included two undergraduate and one graduate student, with at least 20 students (Women’s Resource Center interns and other interested students) participating in various components of the three candidates’ on-campus interview schedule (Student Forum, WRC Interns Luncheon, and Campus Presentation).
The Women’s Resource Center interns have expressed great enthusiasm for the hiring of a professional director and the opportunity to grow their programs and learn life skills.

Attempts to Obtain Additional Funding:
None at this time; however, a couple of relevant priorities for the Program Director will be to:

- Meet with the Division of Student Affairs’ Director of Fund Development, Lonelle Rathje, to craft a plan to secure more permanent funding for programs, operations, and most importantly the Program Director’s salary.

- Develop strategic partnerships with faculty and institutes (i.e., Dr. Sally Stevens and the Southwest Institute for Research on Women) in an effort to create new programming and/or funding opportunities.

Other Funding Sources:
The Women’s Resource Center has a long history of securing outside funding for programmatic efforts. The following is a list of funding generated during the 2008-2009 academic year; we anticipate similar resources for the 2009-2010 academic year:

- Corporate Partners Grant
- Faculty Student Interaction Grant
- Planned Parenthood
- Center for Student Involvement and Leadership
- Oasis
- National Organization for Women
- Pam Sutherland
- LGBTQ Affairs
- Women’s Studies
- Pride Alliance
- Arizona List
- Women in Science and Engineering
- Southwest Institute for Research on Women
- Commission on the Status of Women
- The Board
- Residence Hall Association
- Various Community Restaurants and Businesses

Amount Spent to Date:
YTD Wages: 0
YTD Operations: $1,226
Projected Future Wages: $23,812 (no ERE included)
Projected Future Operations: $4,774
Projected 2010-2011 Expenses: $58,000
Projected Unused Balance: $12,021