



FIRST Equity & Inclusion Financing Initiative for
FIRST in Upper Midwest
(FEI FI FO FUM GRANT)

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Re: Grant Award for FEI FI FO FUM Equity and Access Initiative

FIRST in Upper Midwest (FUM) is pleased to announce the recipient of the latest round of *FIRST* Equity & Inclusion Financing Initiative for *FIRST* in Upper Midwest (FEI FI FO FUM) grants.

The FEI FI FO FUM Grant Program is a funding opportunity that provides FUM *FIRST* Robotics Competition (FRC) teams with a small grant to implement a project that will make changes to culture intended to increase the participation and success of underserved, underrepresented and/or vulnerable populations in *FIRST* Robotics in Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota.

The following team was awarded a grant:

- Team 1816, The Green Machine, Edina High School, Edina, MN. \$500, for a “Girls in the Workshop” event for girls currently participating in FTC in order to develop an FTC to FRC pipeline for girls.

To be awarded a grant, teams needed to submit a grant application proposing a new and creative proposal to make positive change that increases the participation and success of underserved, underrepresented and/or vulnerable populations in robotics. This program represents an important ongoing effort to raise awareness of equity, diversity, and inclusion efforts for the *FIRST* Robotics Competition teams in Minnesota, North Dakota, and South Dakota.