

Solar Powered Lamps

University of Richmond

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Culture of Sustainability





“Implement sustainable practices in campus operations and services that steward the natural world and support human well-being.”

Goal 3 of the UR Sustainability Plan



The Imperial Bulb II Solar
Post Light

GAMA SONIC®
SOLAR LIGHTING

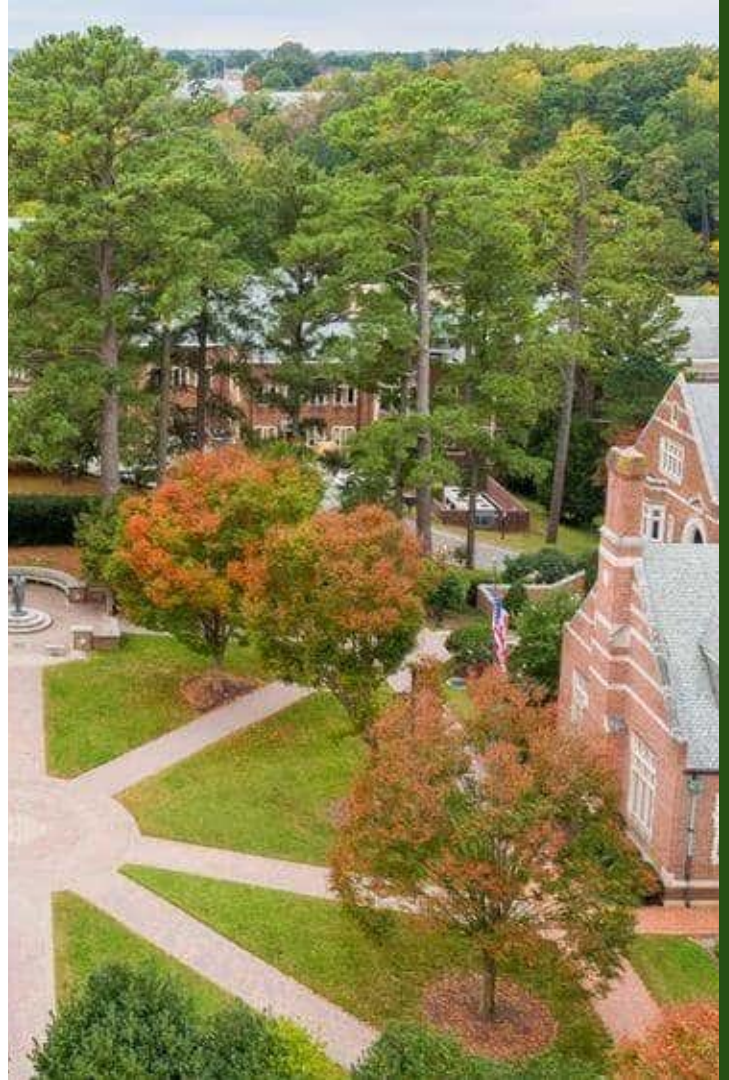
The Victorian Bulb Solar
Light with Motion Sensor







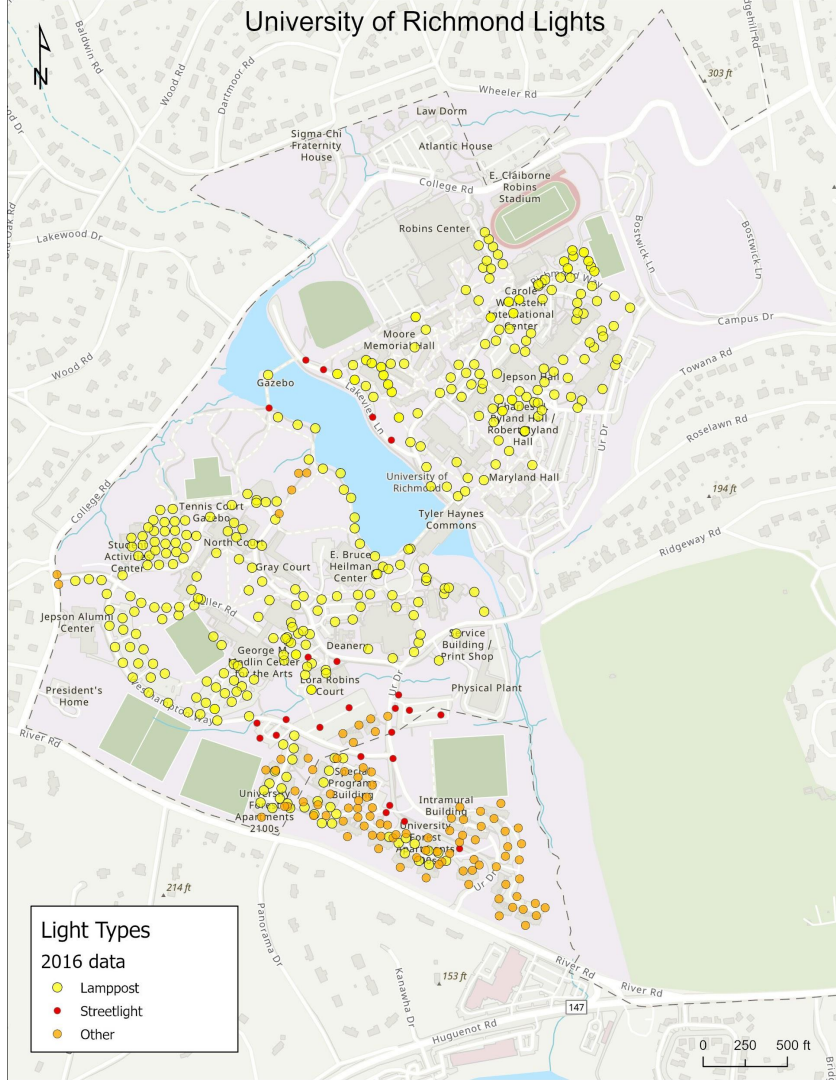
Environmental Impact



University of Richmond Lights

Classes Scales

Symbol	Value	Label	Count
2016 data 3 symbol classes ***			
●	1	Lampost	366
●	2	Streetlight	24
●	3	Other	93



Light Types
2016 data

- Lampost
- Streetlight
- Other

Fossil Fuels Emission Reduction



.96 kWh

**Per streetlight
per day**



351.36 kWh

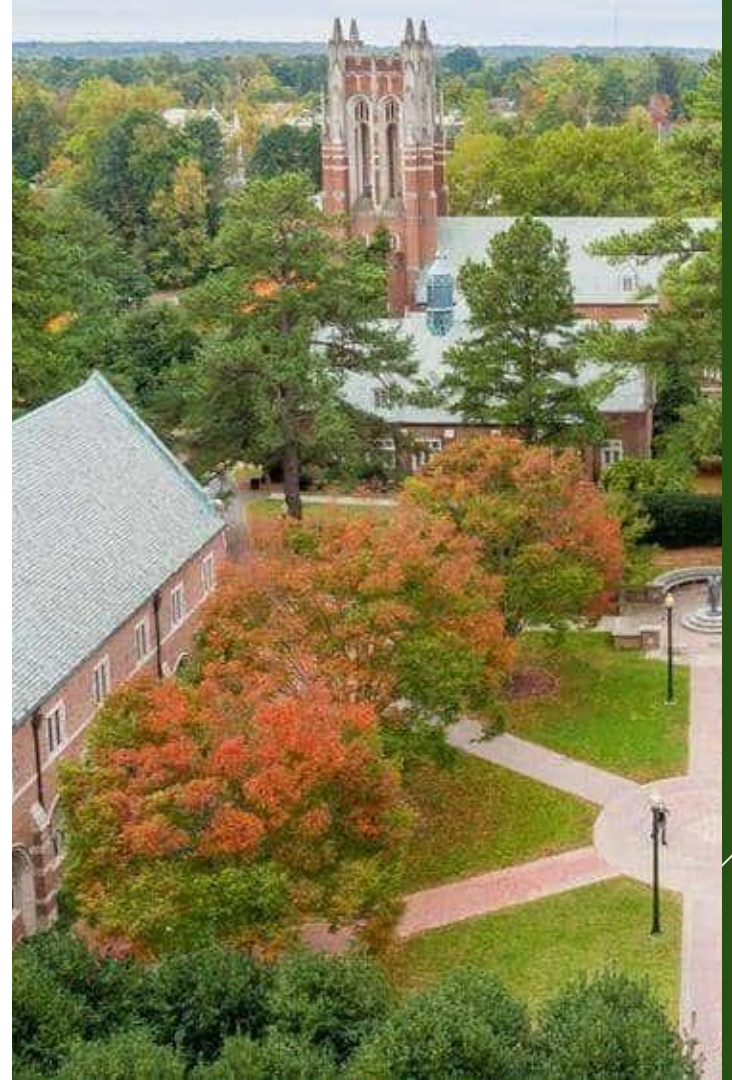
**Per day for all
streetlights on
campus**



**128,246.4
kWh**

**Per year to
light campus**

Implementation





Assess Feasibility

Consult UR facilities
department &
potential funding
opportunities



Create Demo

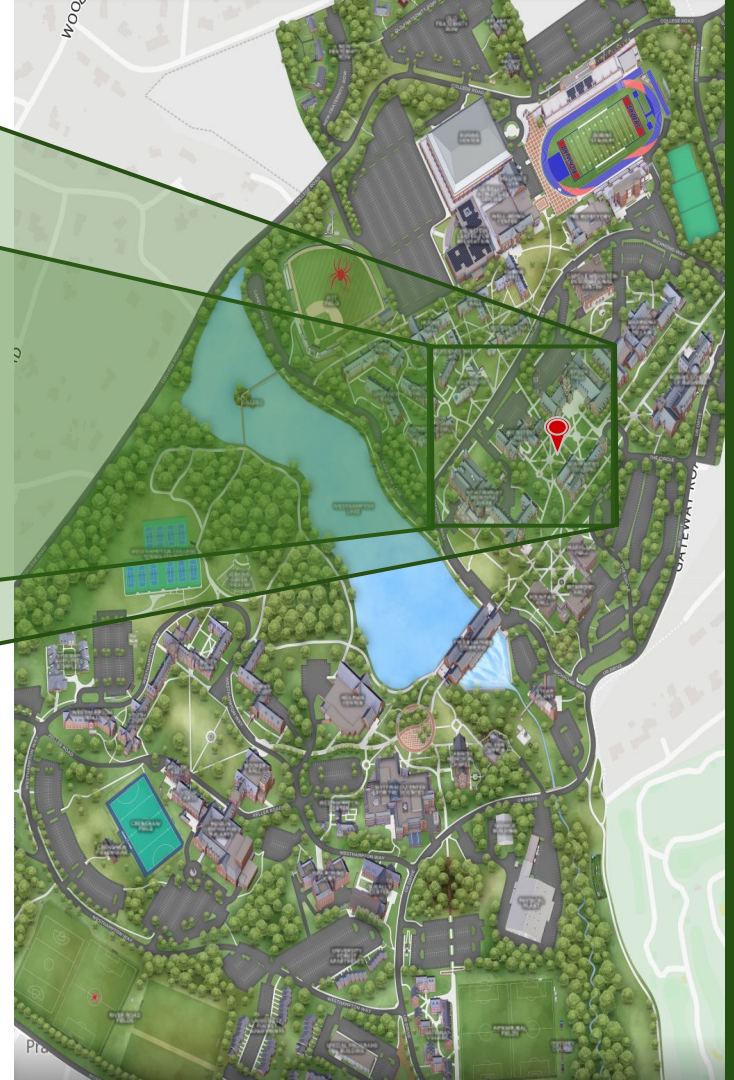
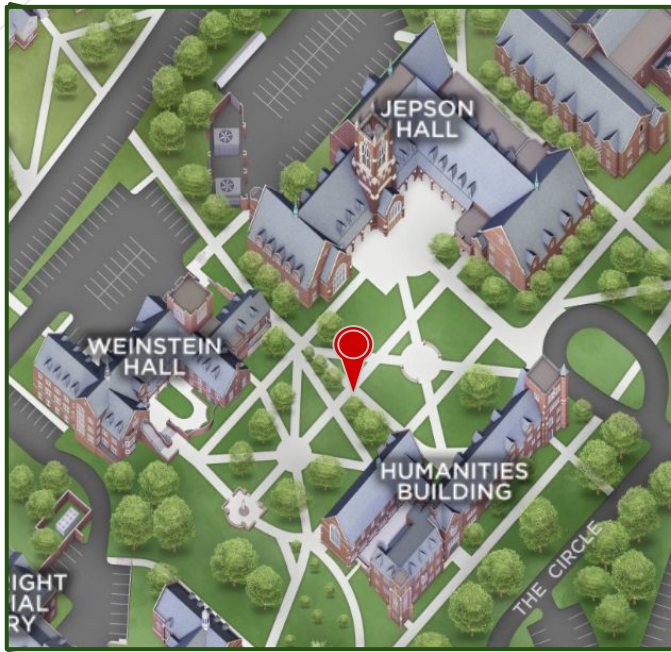
Troubleshoot any
obstacles



Transition to Solar

Transition all of UR's
lamp posts to solar
power





Demo

Location: The Jepson Quadrangle



1 hour per lamp



8 hour total for demo

Maintenance



Basic Upkeep



Weather
Deterioration &
Rust Resistant



Three-Year
(1,000 Charges)
Lifespan



Ten-Year
Lifespan

Lighting Alternatives

Hybrid Lamp
Post Technology

Integrated
Lighting System

Non-renewable
Energy

“A Gama Sonic typical Commercial Solar LED Post Light will require approx. 2.5 hours of sunlight to power the light through a full 12-hour night, and a 4-hour charge is enough for 2-full nights.” – Gama Sonic

Budget



Current Total Electricity Cost



**128,246.4
kWh**

**Street Light
Energy Usage
Per Year**



\$0.08

Cost per kWh



\$10,259

**Energy Cost per
Year for Street
Lights**

Cost of Solar Street Lights



366

**Street Light
Count**



\$209.99

**Material Cost
per Light**



\$100

**Installation
Cost per light**

\$79,419.44

Total Cost of all Street Lamps after 30% Tax Credit

The Plan in Action

A Culture of Sustainability at the University of Richmond



The Demo



Lamp Posts



Total Cost

Material Cost,
Installation Cost,
and Tax Credit



Payback Time



**Cost Savings
per year**

Thank you



Information on Solar
Powered Lamp Posts
and Bad Weather



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Solar Post Light



The Victorian Bulb Solar
Light with Motion
Sensor