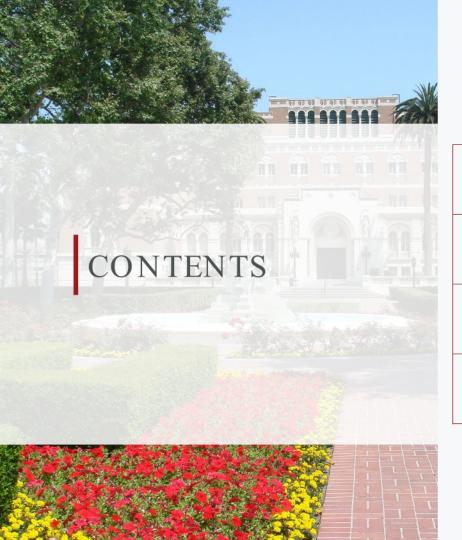


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## **OVERVIEW**

- USC Research Strategy and Development (RSD) is a service resource that strategically pursues competitive federal funding opportunities
- RSD staff located in Los Angeles and Washington DC
- Work with faculty from all USC schools
- RSD's primary focus is on complex proposals (e.g., NIH centers, DoD MURIs, NSF STCs, training grants, etc.), however, we do assist with smaller proposals from individual labs
- Since 2006, RSD has worked with over 500+ USC PIs and contributed to the submission of over 1,000 proposals, of which 300 were funded for a total of over \$850 million

### Funding targets of interest:

















































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## **RESOURCES**

How can faculty members leverage RSD?





## **RESOURCES**

#### Team Building

- Provide strategic input related to team composition and expertise
- · Identify USC faculty as potential collaborators
- Identify potential partners and collaborators from external institutions

#### Proposal Planning & Organization

- Organize team meetings amongst proposal personnel
- Develop preliminary outlines detailing application components
- Create timelines for preparing all components of an application
- Conduct analyses of projects funded under targeted programs to determine optimal approach

#### Writing & Copyediting

- Review drafts for organization and responsiveness to solicitation
- Copyedit for grammar, clarity, and completeness
- Generate text for nontechnical proposal aspects, support letters, and supplementary documents
- Creation of graphics, org. charts, and timelines

- Assist PIs and departmental staff to develop and revise budgets
- Prepare budget justifications
- Identify potential strategies for cost sharing





## **RESOURCES**

#### **Proposal Submission**

- Facilitate department approvals as required by USC Department of Contracts and Grants
- Coordinate submissions with relevant USC offices

## Administrative & Logistical Activities

- Coordinate collection of required documents for proposal submissions
- Attend webinars and information sessions for funding programs of interest
- Connect faculty with relevant partners and stakeholders by leveraging RSD network

### Federal Agency Connections, Advocacy & Intel

- Connect faculty with appropriate federal agency program officers and contacts
- Facilitate initial meetings for faculty members with federal agency staff
- Connect faculty with subject-matter-experts for specific federal agencies and/or targeted funding programs



# FUNDING AREAS & PROGRAMS OF INTEREST

#### FY25 R&D Priorities

- Advance trustworthy AI technology
- · Maintaining global security
- Meeting the climate crisis
- Achieve better health outcomes
- Reduce barriers and inequities
- R&D & industrial innovation for economic competitiveness
- Strengthen American's unparalleled research

#### National Initiatives

- · Advanced manufacturing
- AI
- Bioeconomy
- Cancer
- Clean Energy
- Climate & Environment
- Cybersecurity
- Microelectronics
- Networking and IT
- Quantum information

## USC Presidential Moonshots Research Relevant

- Sustainability
- Frontiers of Computing
- Transforming Health Sciences





# FUNDING AREAS & PROGRAMS OF INTEREST

Opportunities for
New Faculty &
Young Investigators

DOD Young Investigator Program (DOD YIP)

NSF Faculty Early Career Development Program (NSF CAREER)

DOE Early Career Research Program

NIH Transformative Research Awards (R01)

NIH Pioneer Award Program (DP1)

NIH Director's New Innovator Award Program (DP2)

## **CONTACT US!**



