



National Science Foundation

Growing Research Access for Nationally Transformative Equity and Diversity (GRANTED)

Dear Colleague Letter (DCL) 23-152

**Growing Post Award Support and Service Infrastructure for
Nationally Transformative Equity and Diversity**

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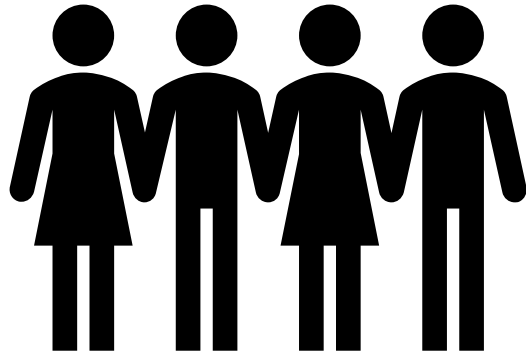
Right now is a terrific time to apply to the National Science Foundation (NSF) for funding to support research projects that expand knowledge in science, engineering and education as well as those that seek to increase the capacity of the U.S. to conduct and exploit such research.

- **The Research Enterprise**
- **The GRANTED Initiative**
- **GRANTED Program Description 23-221Y**
- **DCL 23-152**
- **Ideas**
- **Q & A**

Defining the Research Enterprise



“A strong national research enterprise relies on more than funding for the research itself.”
NSF 23-221Y



Staff / Administration

Research enterprise includes human capital, practices and processes related to:
research development, research administration, broader impacts activities, technology transfer and commercialization, corporate relation/ public-private partnerships, research integrity compliance and security, research policy, support of student research training, and research leadership.



The GRANTED Initiative



- NSF proposal submissions and increasing budget
- CHIPS and Science legislation -“Emerging Research Institutions”
- Awareness and knowledge of research enterprise staff and functions
- \$90B (FY21) expended by colleges and universities – access and intentional workforce
- Pandemic influences on the workforce – teleworking, remote opportunities

NSF Funding Opportunities – Primer



Types of NSF Funding Opportunities

Program Descriptions

- Like a home base of funding for a program
- Typical in divisions of NSF and have been around for a long time in various research areas.
- Researchers in disciplinary areas know to apply to position descriptions over and over again.
- PD 23-221Y is GRANTED's funding opportunity home base

Solicitations

- Usually have time bound announcements
- Aren't a base of funding for a particular division or program of NSF
- They are often short lived (one or just a few rounds of funding) and may come and go more frequently

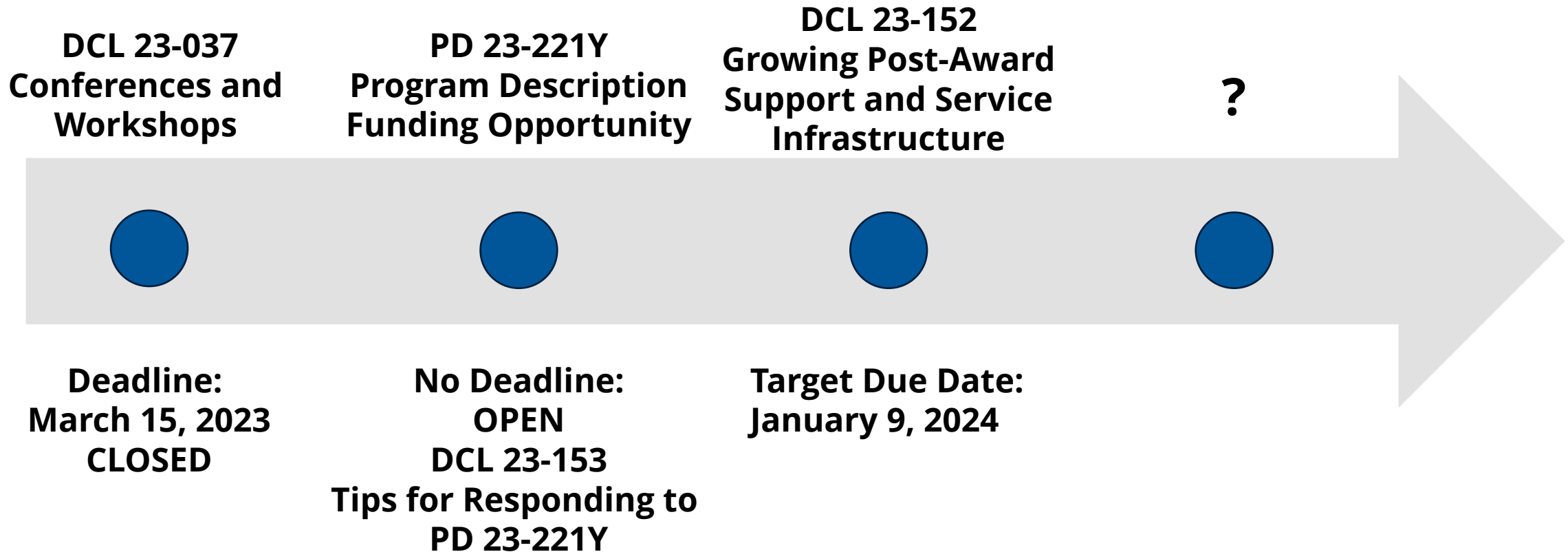
Dear Colleague Letters (DCLs)

- Can also be thought of as funding opportunities
- Think of them as large blinking lights directing people to funding opportunities (like those in the PAPPG)
- Check out NSF 23-152 - "Growing Access to Post-Award Research Support and Service Infrastructure for Nationally Transformative Equity and Diversity – AND – NSF 23-153 "Advice to the Community About Submitting Proposals to the GRANTED Program Description Funding Opportunity PD 23-221Y."

Broad Agency Announcements (BAA)

- Used by the TIP Directorate and NCSES primarily

GRANTED Funding Opportunities





Program Description – PD 23-221Y

What it is...

- <https://new.nsf.gov/funding/opportunities/growing-research-access-nationally-transformative-0> [make sure you have the "0" included]
- Bold, ambitious ideas that will increase access, catalyze national transformation, and address systemic equity and diversity issues in the research enterprise are encouraged
- Ideas need to be fully developed and presented according to the NSF PAPPG guidelines.
- Project costs – ask for what you need!

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as usual"**



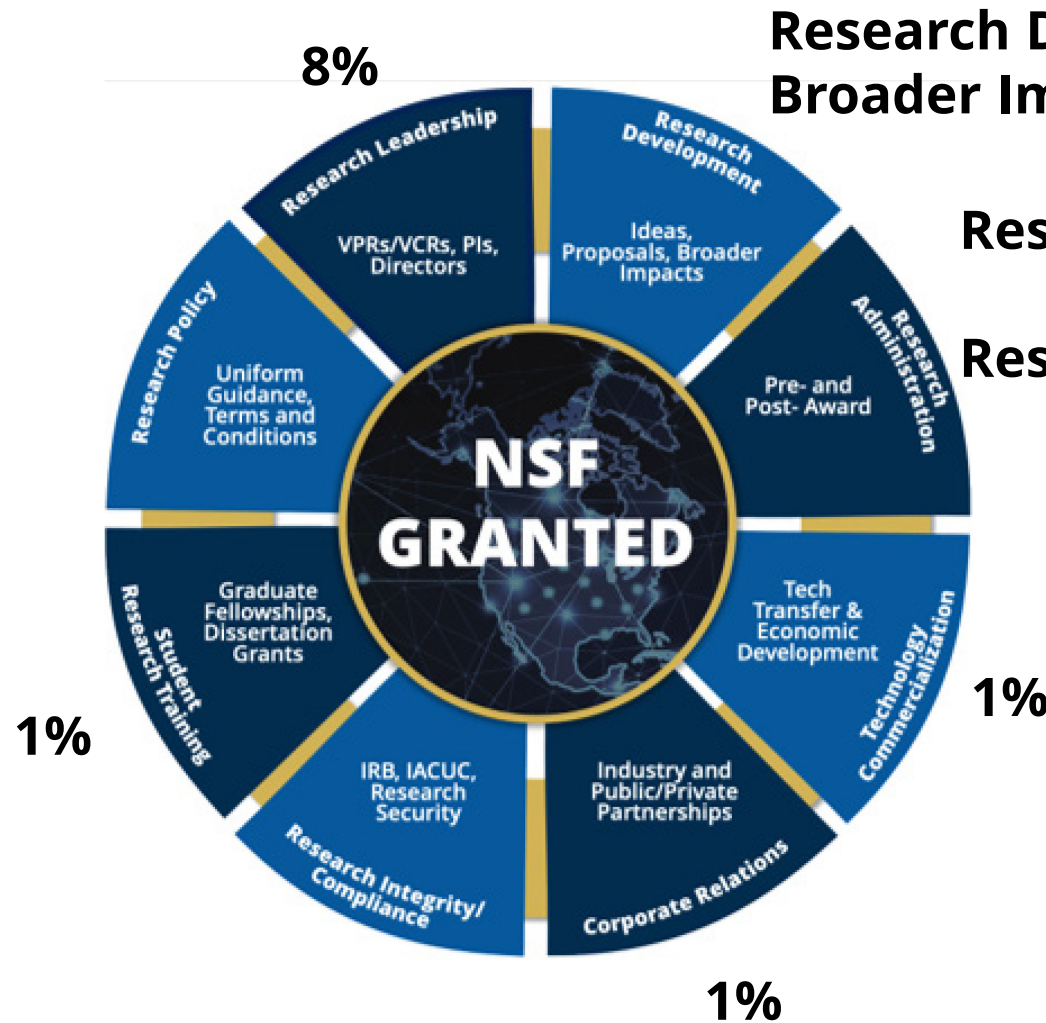
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What it is not...

- Not a limited submission
- No deadline
- No budget floor, no budget cap
- Project terms should be no more than 5 years
- PIs and Co-PIs could be research enterprise staff
- Does not restrict or discourage any higher education institution or non-profit organization from participating; NSF general eligibility applies

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GRANTED Sector Engagement – Proposals Evaluated



Research Development 23%
Broader Impacts 1%

Research Analytics 2%

Research Administration 40%



Nearly 100% of proposals
focused on PRE-AWARD
Research Administration

1%

1%

Research Enterprise 20%

Proposal Sector Analysis includes
proposals evaluated under:
DCL 23-037
PD 23-221Y

**GRANTED
Sector
Engagement**



Growing Post Award Support and Service Infrastructure for Nationally Transformative Equity and Diversity

DCL 23-152

- Proposals submitted to 23-221Y
- Proposals should focus on growing capacity and access to post-award regulatory, financial, and administrative research support
- Goal is to alleviate institutional/organizational and/or investigator burden and broaden participation in research activities
- *Target* deadline of January 9, 2024 but proposals will be accepted before and after that date

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Ideas for Growing Post-Award Research Support



- Strengthening the Nation's Research Enterprise is the **goal**
- Gains within Emerging Research and Minority Serving Institutions is a **goal**
- National Transformation of the Research Enterprise is the **Broader Impact**
- **Innovation in post-award service provision** including the organization of post-award support and service structures, functions, and governance;
- **Development of pathways into the post-award administration workforce**, including curriculum development, certification, and other means to attract talent into this essential part of the research enterprise;
- **Development and testing of new roles/positions that span the boundary between pre-and post-award activities or that support post-award and project management activities**;
- Development of **programs/resources that increase efficiency and reduce the burden of post-award research administration management activities**;
- **Research** on the post-award sector of the research enterprise.



Intellectual
Merit and
Broader
Impacts –
GRANTED
relevant

- The intellectual merit (IM) criterion encompasses the potential to advance knowledge – **what new knowledge about the research enterprise is being created and/or advanced by the project?**
- The broader impacts (BI) criterion encompasses the potential to benefit society and contribute to the achievement of specific, desired societal outcomes – **what is the potential to transform the Nation's research enterprise?**

Questions?

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