

Introduction

Mission:

The Office of Research and Sponsored Programs seeks to increase the capability and competitiveness of McNeese State University faculty and staff to receive internal and external funding for research, creative expression, faculty and student enrichment, and program development.

Institutional Mission Reference:

The Office of Research and Sponsored Programs supports McNeese State University's mission of providing service by administering all grants and contracts for approval, budget verification, reproduction, and submittal to the appropriate funding agency. The office also seeks out and facilitates collaborative ventures with industry, business, and community to enhance economic growth in Southwest Louisiana.

Performance Objective 1 Increase the number of state, federal, and other grant proposals.

1 Assessment and Benchmark

Benchmark: Increase submissions of state, federal, and other grant proposals.

1.1 Data

Academic Year	# of state grant submissions	# of federal grant submissions	# of other submissions	
2021-2022	14	2	3	

1.1.1 Analysis of Data

2021-2022:

This data is a benchmark for the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs under the leadership of co-directors.

1.1.2 Plan for Continuous Improvement

2021-2022:

This year's data is being used as a benchmark. More information will be given for the 2022-2023 year.

Performance Objective 2 Increase the number and value of funded state, federal, and other grants.

1 Assessment and Benchmark

Benchmark: Raise the number and value of funded grants.

1.1 Data

Funded St		State Grants	Funded Federal Grants		Funded Other Grants		Total	
Academic Year	#	\$	#	\$	#	\$	#	\$
2021-2022	14	\$931,498.26	4	\$400,972	8	\$1,159,350	26	\$2,491,820.26

1.1.1 Analysis of Data

2021-2022:

This data is baseline for the co-directors to be able to monitor increases and decreases in funding. The funding was found by the following break-out:

State:

- BOR \$76,050
- TIRE \$30,000
- Small Business \$406,677
- BOR \$199,903
- BOR ITRS \$60,000
- LSU Subaward \$34,673
- LA Nursing \$42,255.26
- Senior Design \$8,000
- LURA \$4,000
- LaACES \$12,000
- Watermelon \$14,940

- LEQSF \$30,000
- LCTS \$13,000

Federal:

- U.S. Prep \$100,000
- VAX Up \$90,972
- Upward Bound \$145,000
- LAMP \$15,000

Other:

- Chevron \$31,689
- Fin Lit \$41,666
- H.C. Drew \$1,000,000
- Mosquito \$5,000
- Bee \$5,000
- PCI \$25,000
- NPCA \$11,000
- Code.Org \$40,000

1.1.2 Plan for Continuous Improvement

2021-2022: The data being gathered is used as a baseline for the co-directors.

Performance Objective 3 Improve number and disciplinary diversity of faculty and staff participating in grant writing.

1 Assessment and Benchmark

Benchmark: Conduct outreach events/campaigns to increase participation.

1.1 Data

2021-2022:

- Monthly postings to grants bulletin.
- Numerous emails about grant opportunities, as well as writing tips.
- Created Sharepoint and updated McNeese website and have it linked to Sharepoint.
- Spin virtual training on funding searches.

1.1.1 Analysis of Data

2021-2022:

This is a baseline of what is a start to rebuilding the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs.

1.1.2 Plan for Continuous Improvement

2021-2022:

For the next academic year, the office will have a grant writing workshop via faculty and staff retreat.

2 Assessment and Benchmark

Benchmark: Enhance institutional support for grant writing.

2.1 Data

2021-2022:

The following departments are involved with grant writing across campus:

- Chemistry and Physics
- Education Professions
- Engineering and Computer Science
- Psychology
- Various departments within the College of Liberal Arts

2.1.1 Analysis of Data

2021-2022:

This is the baseline for the co-directors to look at for increases and decreases.

2.1.2 Plan for Continuous Improvement

2021-2022:

The co-directors plan to increase the diversity of disciplines that apply for grant funding opportunities.

Performance Objective 4 Improve the efficiency of the grant process.

1 Assessment and Benchmark

Benchmark: Reduce the number of issues of non-compliance.

1.1 Data

Academic Year	# of non-compliance issues
2021-2022	2

1.1.1 Analysis of Data

2021-2022:

This is the baseline for the co-directors to look at for increases and decreases.

1.1.2 Plan for Continuous Improvement

2021-2022:

The office will monitor and send out reminders to reduce the number of non-compliance issues.

2 Assessment and Benchmark

Benchmark: Advance the ability to locate grant opportunities.

2.1 Data

2021-2022:

- Spin webinar
- Yearly BOR flyer
- Yearly workshop at faculty and staff retreat
- Continue monthly bulletin

2.1.1 Analysis of Data

2021-2022: This is the baseline for the co-directors to look at for increases and decreases.

2.1.2 Plan for Continuous Improvement

2021-2022:

Seek more outreach opportunities and increase visibility for the office.

3 Assessment and Benchmark

Benchmark: Implement and utilize software to aid in the submission and administration of grants.

3.1 Data

2021-2022: Current funding does not allow for ancillary software purchase.

3.1.1 Analysis of Data

2021-2022:

The office did not have extra funding in the 2021-2022 fiscal year with which to purchase such software.

3.1.2 Plan for Continuous Improvement

2021-2022:

Work with the Office of University Advancement to see about chance of getting donated funding.