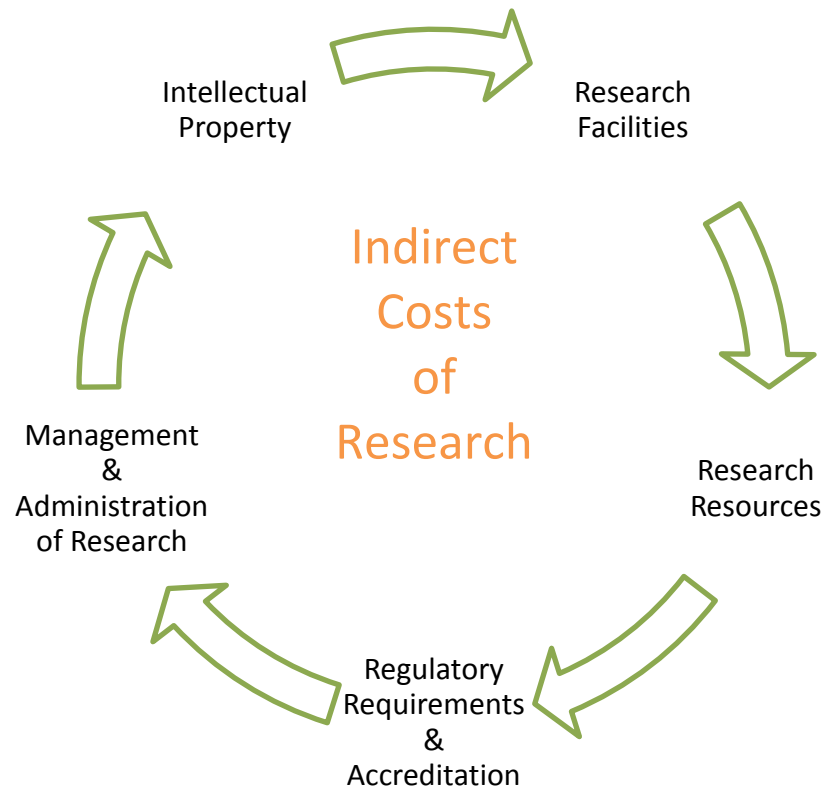


Cape Breton University

Research Support Fund 2015-2016

What is the Research Support Fund Program?

The Research Support Fund (RSF) program (previously Indirect Costs Program) is funded by the Government of Canada and helps Canadian postsecondary institutions with the “hidden costs” of research. The Government of Canada introduced the Indirect Costs Program (ICP) in 2003 and changed the name in 2015. This permanent program provides Canadian universities and colleges with an annual grant to help pay for a portion of their indirect costs of research. See also <http://www.rsf-fsr.gc.ca>



What are the Indirect Costs of Research?

The term “indirect costs” refers to the central and departmental administrative costs that institutions incur to support research which are not attributable to specific research projects. In other words, the costs institutions must cover to allow research activities to take place. Indirect Costs can be divided into five general categories.

Questions about the RSF should be directed towards CBU’s Major Research Projects Officer.

How is the Research Support Fund Calculated?

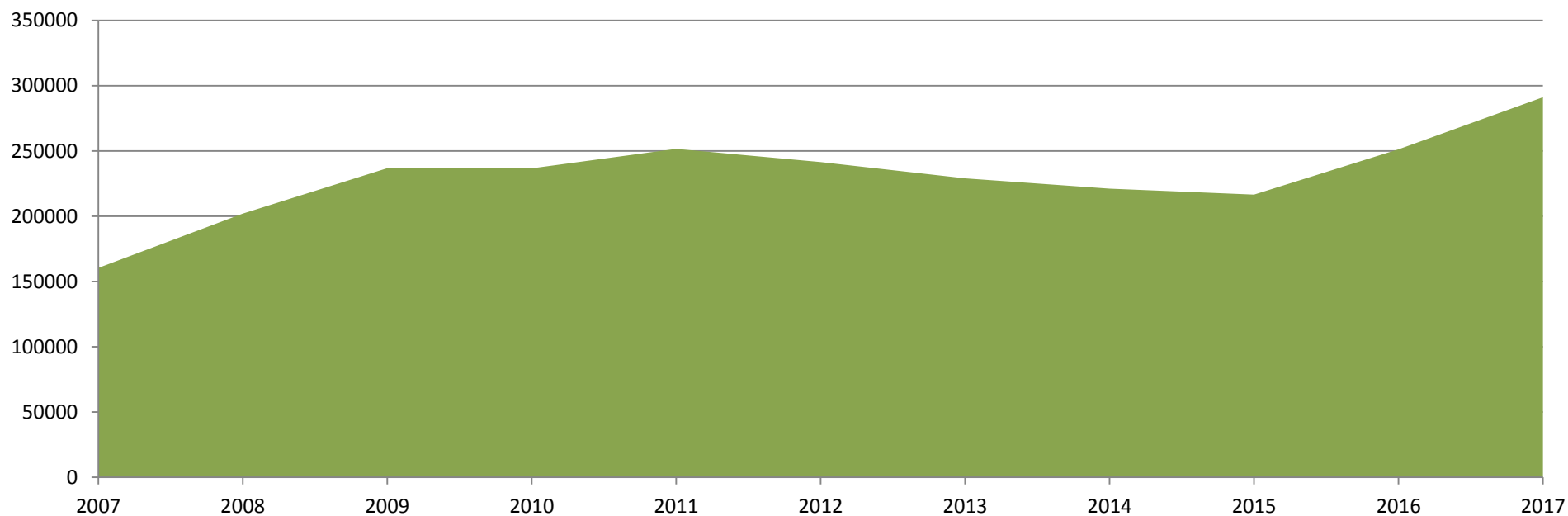
Grants are based on funding that institutions have received from the three federal granting agencies in the three years preceding the grant cycle (based on the fiscal year).

Average revenues from CIHR, NSERC & SSHRC research grants	Funding from Research Support Fund
First \$100,000	80%
Next \$900,000	50%
Next \$6 million	40%

This formula provides higher rates of funding for the institutions that receive the least amount of money from the federal research granting agencies. In this way, the Research Support Fund helps smaller universities and colleges provide adequate support to their research programs and strengthen their research capacity. See also <http://www.rsfsr.gc.ca/apply-demanded/calculations-eng.aspx>

How Much Is CBU Allocated?

In 2015-2016, we were allocated \$251,225. We were also informed of our allocation for 2016-2017, which is \$291,112.



How Does CBU use the Institutional Allocation?

How funds were allocated in 2015-2016

5% Facilities

\$12,000 towards support for research area space.

16% Research Resources

\$40,225 to library operating costs & administration.

73% Management & Administration

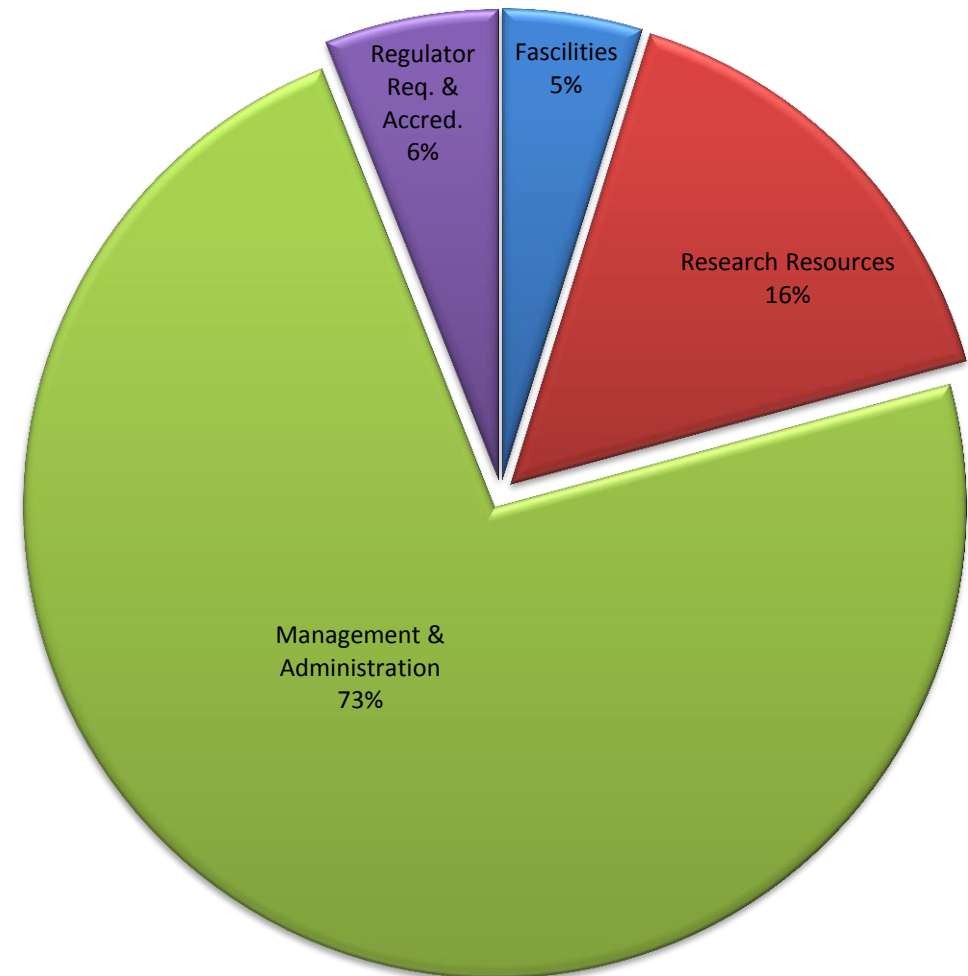
\$184,000 contributed towards:

- Institutional support for completing grant applications and proposals
- Human resources and payroll
- Financial and audit costs
- Research planning, promotion and public relations

6% Regulatory requirements and accreditation

\$15,000 for tech support for animal care & handling of dangerous materials

**Total CBU Allocation of Research Support Fund:
\$251,225**



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