

Office of Research and Economic Development

Faculty Orientation

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Why Sponsored Programs?

- Career Enhancement
 - Fund publications and other academic production
 - Build a team for longer term plans/goals
 - Third party validation
- Resources to pursue your goals
 - Course release, summer funding
 - Student workers
 - Conference travel
- Improve community
 - Academic field and curriculum
 - Local community
 - National and international dialog



Mission

The Office of Research & Economic Development (ORED) provides support and assistance to administrators, faculty, staff, and students in their efforts to secure external funding for research and scholarly activities.

ORED reviews, negotiates, approves, and provides administrative oversight of proposals and awards in compliance with applicable laws, policies, and regulations.

ORED collaborates with local, regional, state and federal entities to improve the economic outlook for Tennessee and the nation.

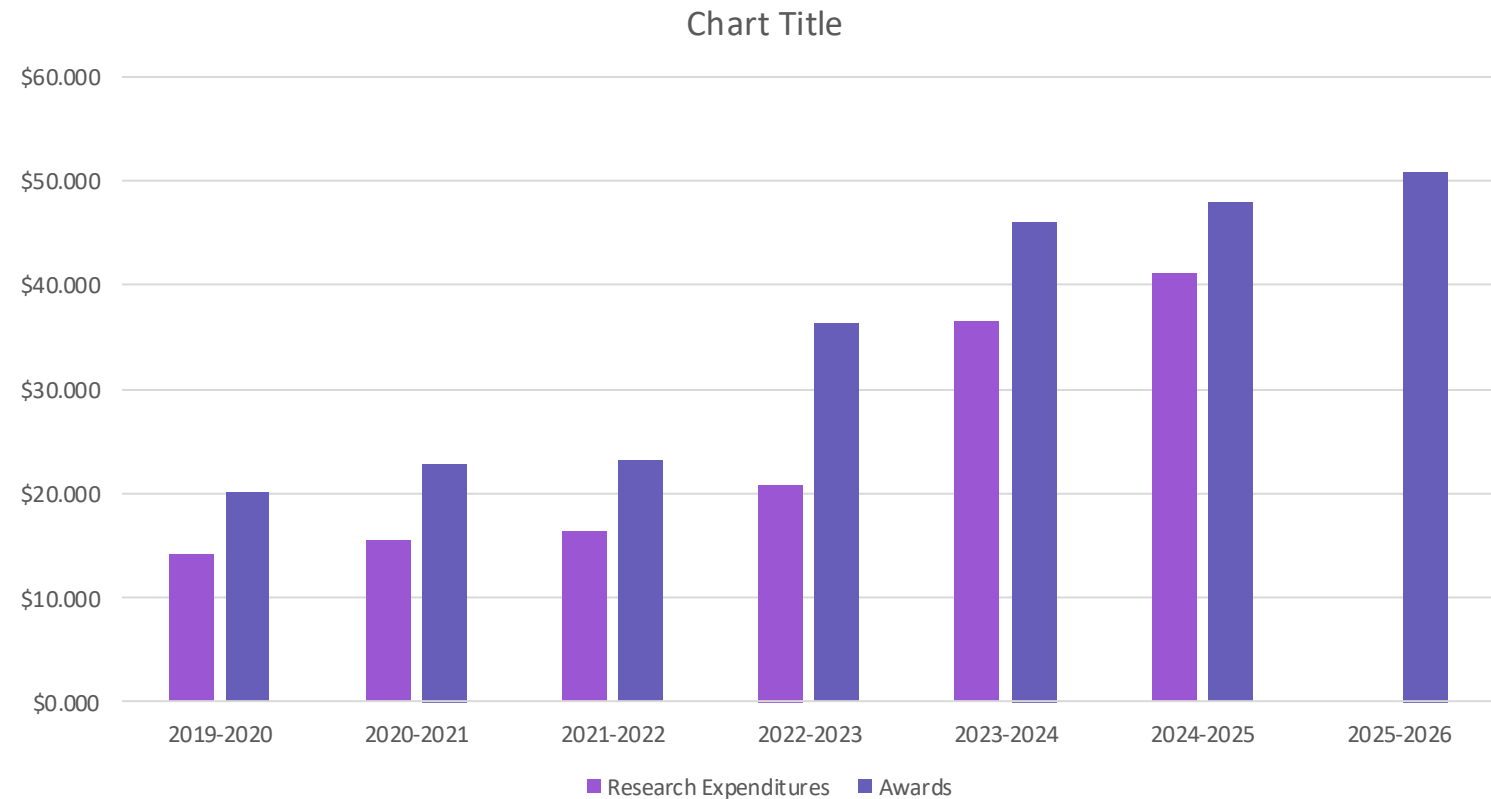
ORED facilitates the protection and commercialization of intellectual property developed by Tennessee Tech University, and supports activities that promote economic development.



Track Record of Success

FY20 President Oldham challenged faculty to double sponsored program funding in 5 years

- Goal achieved in 4 years
- 6 years of record high award funding
- 11 years of positive growth for research expenditures
- FY27 goal: \$55M



Services

Proposal and Project Support

- Facilitate the identification of funding opportunities
- Provide training and assistance with proposal development
- Provide training and guidance on research compliance
- Prepare and negotiate grants and contracts
- Administer faculty research grants
- Economic Impact analyses, data aggregation, and location intelligence

Faculty Support

- Internal Faculty Grant Programs
- Facilitate protection of Intellectual Property and technology transfer
- Innovator Showcase for faculty

Student Support

- Research Symposium student research exhibition
- Eagle Works student entrepreneurship competition



Learning Opportunities

Faculty, Staff, and Graduate Student Training Series

- Getting Started with Research Grants – Sep 25
- Faculty Mix-n-Mingle – Oct 23
- Grant and Project Management – Nov 23
- Scholarly Dissemination – TBD (Jan)
- CAREER Learning Community – TBD (Spring series)



Resource Links

Office of Research and Economic Development

<https://www.tntech.edu/research/>

Research Development Resources

<https://www.tntech.edu/research/research-development.php>

Finding Funding – GrantForward

<https://www.tntech.edu/research/resources/findfunding.php>

Policies and Procedures

<https://www.tntech.edu/research/researchcompliance/policies1.php>

Additional resources for specific needs – human subjects, animal subjects, export control, etc. – are available on the site.

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Research Development

Research Development supports researchers in finding funding, preparing proposals, securing awards, and managing externally funded projects. The Office of Sponsored Programs is an intermediary between the researchers and the funding agencies, providing oversight and support. It also manages the administrative and regulatory aspects of sponsored research.

PEF and Intent to Submit Updates

The proposal process using **Streamlyne** eliminates the need for creating and submitting an Intent to Submit form, as well as a PEF. Both are incorporated into the proposal creation process within Streamlyne.

For questions please contact the Office of Sponsored Programs at Research@tntech.edu.

Find Funding



Prepare and Submit a Proposal



Research Expertise



Guidance and Forms



Internal Grant and Award Programs



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Questions?

