Developing a Foundation for Proficient Research and Development Government Contract Execution

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Overview

Historically Black Colleges and Universities must explore different ways to boost the struggling state of funding to

their institutions:

 Securing revenue from other sources besides grants, and

Teaming together.







The Problem

- HBCUs will still get federal funding, but not much else.
- The first budget proposal slices federal education spending by 13.5 percent.
- Traditional funding sources for research in academia are being reduced and becoming more competitive.

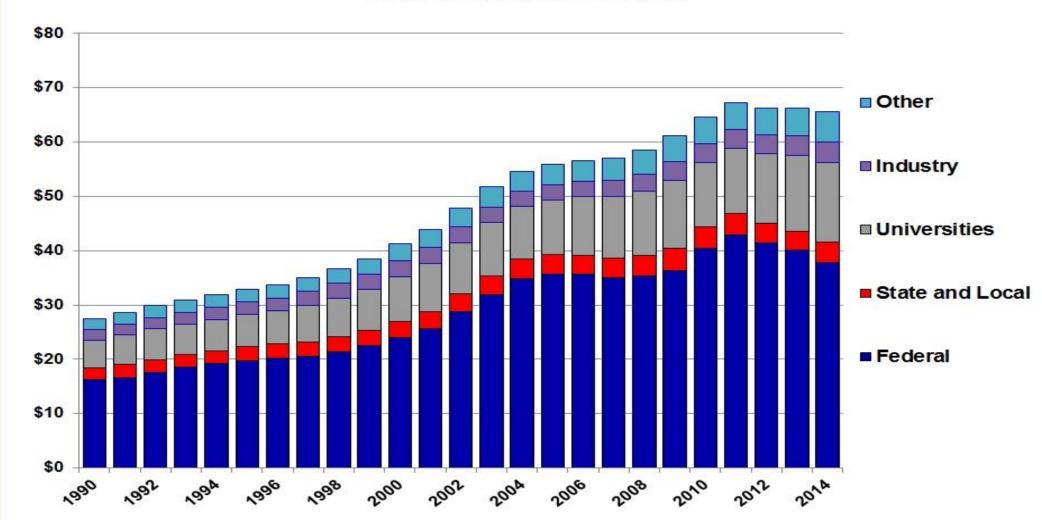








expenditures in billions, FY 2016 dollars



Source: NSF, National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, *Higher Education R&D* series, based on national survey data. Includes Recovery Act funding. © 2016 AAAS

The Problem

Federal Grants

• A *flexible* instrument designed to provide money to support a public purpose. Assistance with few restrictions (*Traditional Source*)

Cooperative Agreement

• A *flexible* instrument designed to provide money to support a public purpose. Assistance with involvement between parties. (*Traditional Source*)

Contract

• A binding agreement between a buyer(Agency/Prime) and seller (Universities) to provide goods or services in return for consideration (usually monetary). Procures goods or services.







The Solution

Participate in more federal contract opportunities

• Create a separate 501(C) 3 organization to go after these opportunities (i.e. Stanford Research Institute, Georgia Tech Research Institute, Alabama A&M RISE Foundation)





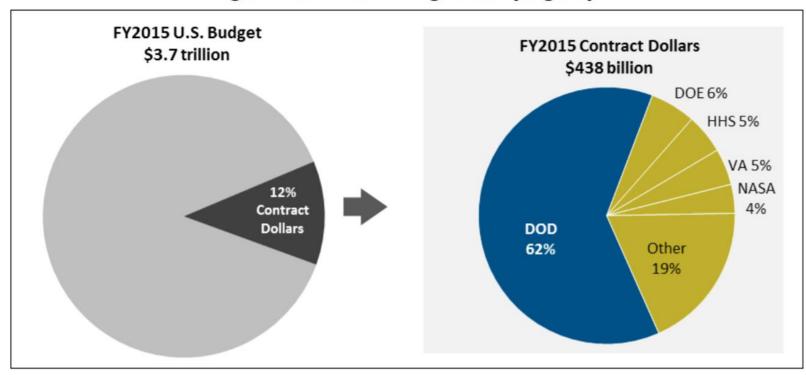


The Solution

The amount of money the Department of Defense dedicated towards contract spending rose 7 percent in 2016. Participate in those contract opportunities.



Figure 1. Contract Obligations by Agency



Source: Federal Procurement Data System-Next Generation, April 2016. Figure created by CRS.





The Opportunity

- Participate in NASA contracts
 NASA has a stated 1% goal for HBCUs and MSIs.
- \$19.5B contract budget suggests that \$195M is available to us under this goal (YEARLY!).
- According to NASA sources, they barely meet 1/10th of this goal.
- The goals will flow through Primes therefore HBCUs need to form strong relationships with Primes







Current Opportunity

- The AAMU-RISE Foundation has a current opportunity with a Prime contract for IT services- Program Name will be provided through the Knowledge Sharing Center portal.
- The Opportunity is worth \$150 million dollars, with a guaranteed negotiated percentage that will go to the HBCU upon contract/task order award with an additional percentage based on performance.
- SBIR/STTR work through Small Businesses that require faculty and staff expertise in a certain area.







The Vehicle - The Knowledge Sharing Center



The Knowledge Sharing Center is a portal where the universities and industry can gain valuable information as how the government will like you to operate on a federal contract vs. a federal grant or Cooperative Agreement. (The Learning portal)

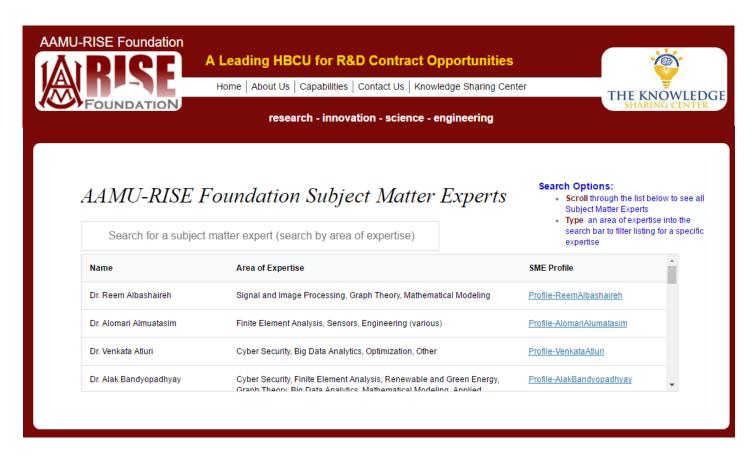






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Additionally, universities will be able to upload their capabilities and their faculty and staff area of expertise to a secured site where industry and can search and find a Subject Matter Expert (SME) to go after a SBIR/STTR.









The Knowledge Sharing Center

- Training Modules on the Acquisition Life Cycle of the government contract process
- Webinars to prepare
 you for the Training
 Modules and How to get
 the most out of them









Get Engaged

- Annual membership for Universities is \$99.99 Allows you to upload your capabilities and SMEs, discounts on the webinars and access government contract opportunities.
- Businesses membership fee is \$500.00.
 Allows access to the HBCU capabilities and Subject Matter Experts. Separate training modules available for small businesses not currently doing business with the government.







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