# Research Support Fund Outcomes Report Transition Version

#### Importance of collecting performance data

Thank you for taking the time to complete this report. Support provided by the Research Support Fund (RSF), including its Incremental Project Grants (IPG) stream and Research Security funding as applicable, is an investment of public funds. The program's accountability responsibilities regarding the use of award funds include reporting to the Government of Canada and program stakeholders, including Canadians, about who receives support and how funds are used to meet the program's objectives. To help ensure accountability, award recipients must report annually on their use of funds. Depending on the amount of funds received, institutions may also be required to publicly acknowledge their award funding to increase awareness of the value and impact of the program within the Canadian and international research enterprise.

#### **Use of Data Collected**

The information provided in this form will be aggregated to generate performance information on the entire program. Data collected from the report will be used, in conjunction with data collected from other sources, to report to the federal government and general public on investments made through the RSF program. Should the program need clarification on information provided in the reports, RSF staff will contact the institution.

#### **Confidentiality**

No information that could directly or indirectly reveal the name of an institution will be released or published without an institution specifically consenting to the disclosure. Should the RSF wish to use a specific institution's data in external communication, program staff will contact the institution to obtain their consent. Please refer to the <a href="Privacy Notice">Privacy Notice</a> for additional information.

#### **Further Information**

For more information, please contact information@rsf-fsr.gc.ca.

### Section 1: Overall Expenditures toward Supporting the Research Environment during the Reporting Period

To what extent do you agree that the RSF grant contributed to sustaining a strong research environment at the institution (and its research affiliates, if applicable) during the reporting period? (required)

- Strongly agree
- o Agree
- Neutral
- o Disagree
- Strongly disagree

Please provide one example on how the RSF grant received by your institution contributed to sustaining a strong research environment. (required)

Maximum character count: 2500

## Section 2: Implementation of the Research Support Fund Institutional Communication Strategy

Which of the following communication products were used by your institution to raise awareness of the value and contributions of the RSF during the reporting period? (You can choose more than one answer) (required)

- Product to highlight total grant amount to the institution
- Product to show the impact and outcomes of RSF grant funding
- o Product to show how the university allocates the grant
- Other (Please specify)

Who were the targeted audiences for these communication products? (You can choose more than one answer) (required)

- Institutional faculties
- Administration staff
- Internal researchers
- External researchers
- General public
- Institutional community
- Potential partners
- Potential funders
- o Politicians
- Other (Please specify)

What platforms were used to communicate these products to the targeted audiences? (You can choose more than one answer) (required)

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- Social media
- Presenting in person
- o Institution newsletter
- Institutional reports
- o Emails
- o Internal memos
- RSS feed
- Podcast
- o Print
- o TV
- Radio
- Other (Please specify)

Did you evaluate the success of your RSF communications strategy within this reporting period? (required)

- o Yes
- o No

What were the results of the evaluation of your RSF-related communication strategy within this reporting period? (required)

Question appears if "yes" is answered to the question above

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#### **Section 3: Reporting on Institutional Performance Outcomes**

Institutions that received an RSF grant of \$530,000 or more must publicly report, on their websites, the outcomes achieved during the fiscal year of the grant (i.e., between the start and end date of the grant). This must be completed before the reporting deadline in order to fulfill the reporting requirements. For more information, please see Setting and reporting on performance objectives, indicators and target outcomes.

Please insert a link to the webpage (on the institution's website) where the required institutional performance outcomes have been posted. Please do not link directly to a PDF, but rather to the webpage where the PDF can be found. (required)