STAND ALONE EQUIPMENT SUPPORT PROGRAM

The OVPR’s Stand Alone Equipment Support Program provides partial support for the operations and maintenance (O&M) of CFI-funded infrastructure not part of a Core facility. Funding is provided to support CFI equipment that are necessary and essential for the delivery of strategic research plans and priorities.

SUPPORT LIMIT: Maximum of $10,000 per request

DEADLINE DATES: There are no longer any fixed application deadlines. Applications are accepted at any time of the year.

NOTE: Priority may be given for equipment purchased through CFI funds in the last ten years as well as first-time requests. Only one application per year per researcher will be accepted.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Maximum 3 pages (excluding quotes/invoice) and must include:
- Need and urgency of the funding request
- Strategic importance of the equipment for research, innovation and training
- Broad usage of the equipment by researchers, trainees, faculties, and affiliated institutes
- Date of purchase of CFI equipment and outcome if no support
- Quotation of costs
- Short biography of lead researcher
- If already repaired (within the last six months only), provide invoice of expense

EVALUATION

Funding will depend on the availability of funds and the strength of the application. Applications will be evaluated based on the following criteria:
- Need and urgency of request
- Strategic importance of the equipment for research, innovation and training
- Broad usage by researchers, trainees and others
- Impact on trainees
- Budget justification

ELIGIBLE COSTS

- Maintenance and repair of research equipment and components
- Replacement parts (only if the replacement is more cost effective than the repair)
- Upgrades to current CFI research equipment
- New research equipment to replace current CFI equipment (only if repair is not cost effective)
- Extended warranties and/or service contracts not included in the infrastructure award
- Extensions to warranty coverage and software licences
NON-ELIGIBLE COSTS

- Purchase or lease of real property
- Cost of equipment, installation and construction or renovation deemed eligible under an infrastructure award
- Extended warranties and/or service contracts included in the infrastructure award
- Telephone, Internet and cable or satellite television services
- Insurance
- Costs not directly related to the CFI-funded infrastructure
- Trainee stipends, researcher and administrative salaries
- Any cost to conduct research activities
- Costs attributed to the dissemination of information such as promotion, publications or conferences
- Expenditures reimbursed from another source

SUBMISSION

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NOTIFICATION

Within 15 business days of submission.