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# SRCD Signs on to CNSF Letter on Emergency Relief for Federal Science Agencies



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SRCD signed on to a Coalition for National Science funding (CNSF) letter that addresses the needs of the scientific research community by encouraging Congress to provide funding for emergency relief for the National Science Foundation (NSF) and all federal science agencies.

The letter states, “Though our nation’s scientists and research institutions have risen to the challenge of the pandemic, they are facing enormous strains on their operations and infrastructure. NSF needs additional funding to support research grants, students and post-docs, early-career faculty, and scientific facilities. Federally funded scientists and engineers are experiencing significant negative impacts to their work during the pandemic, such as delays or cessation of their research projects, an extremely challenging academic and research job market, lab closures, and uncertainty about continuing to pay salaries, extend timelines, access needed lab equipment, and more... Without emergency relief, we risk many early-career researchers and STEM students leaving science altogether, losing a generation of diverse talent that is the bedrock of our

national competitiveness.”

The Coalition for National Science Funding (CNSF) is an alliance of more than 130 professional organizations, scientific societies, universities, and businesses united in their advocacy for the National Science Foundation (NSF). The Society for Research in Child Development is a CNSF member.

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