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Thousands of federal research grants have been delayed by the Administration due to funding holds and freezes. The Administration may have released some of its holds on certain Fiscal Year 2025 funds for research agencies like the National Institutes of Health. Researchers should reach out to their Members of Congress to try to get grant funds released before the fiscal year ends on September 30, 2025.

Details remain unclear and are constantly changing, but the Administration has been using various maneuvers to stop funds going out before the September 30, 2025 fiscal year end. Money that is not claimed

by then will likely revert to the U.S. Treasury.

If you have a frozen grant, you should urgently do two things:

- Contact your **Program Officer** to confirm the status of your grant.
- Reach out to your **Members of Congress** to ask for help ensuring your research funds are released.

Click here to find your Members of Congress

Your Members of Congress need to know the difficulties their constituents are facing and can help you navigate and put pressure on the administration to release these funds.

SRCD is actively advocating on behalf of our members to protect science funding and will continue sharing updates as they become available.

Multiple outlets have reported that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), initially paused NIH funding for new grants, then later rescinded and announced a release of all funds, showing the importance of continued pressure from the science community and federal lawmakers. However, we have also heard that even with the release of funds from OMB, agencies are finding alternative ways to block the release of funds. Members of Congress can help put pressure on agencies to get grant funds issued.

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Are you a resident or have colleagues in Alabama, Alaska, Indiana, Kansas, Louisiana, Maine, South Carolina or West Virginia?
We need your help! Your Senators play a crucial role in research funding, which the Administration is trying

to gut. As a constituent, you can make a real difference to the wider scientific community. We need your help to:

- Join a short training with SRCD staff.
- Join SRCD staff in a 30-minute virtual meeting with your Senator's office.
- Share how social and behavioral science supports children and families in your state.

Your story matters. We need your help.

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