Mission

The Coalition for National Science Funding (CNSF) is an alliance of over 140 organizations united by a concern for the future vitality of the national science, mathematics, and engineering enterprise. CNSF supports the goal of increasing the national investment in the National Science Foundation's research and education programs in response to the unprecedented scientific, technological, and economic opportunities facing the United States.

Purpose

National investment in NSF research and education programs produces the new knowledge and the trained scientists and engineers indispensable to our future economic vitality and national security. CNSF seeks to impress upon Congress the importance of steady and sustained investments in science in order to close the *innovation deficit*, that widening gap between the actual level of federal support for research and higher education and what the investment needs to be if the United States is to remain the world's innovation leader. The U.S. is under unprecedented challenge from foreign nations, which have significantly increased their investments in Research and Development (R&D) relative to the U.S. To develop the knowledge that will keep the U.S. intellectually and economically competitive around the world, CNSF promotes funding across all the science and engineering disciplines supported by NSF.

Activities

CNSF accomplishes its goals through a number of activities, including:

- Sponsoring an annual research exhibition and reception on Capitol Hill
- Preparing testimony, statements, and letters that promote investments in NSF-supported research across all the sciences
- Visiting Capitol Hill offices to highlight the importance of fundamental (basic) research supported by NSF and its contributions to the nation
- Creation of information sheets showing NSF funding for research and education by state
- Organizing monthly meetings to share information and hear from guest speakers

Member Organizations

Participating organizations include professional, scientific and engineering societies, higher education associations, institutions of higher learning, independent research institutions, and other organizations. A full list of CNSF member organizations can be found on the back.

Afterschool Alliance
American Anthropological Association
American Association for the Advancement of Science
American Association for Dental Research
American Association of Physics Teachers
American Astronomical Society
American Chemical Society
American Educational Research Association
American Geosciences Institute
American Geophysical Union
American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering
American Institute of Biological Sciences
American Institute of Physics
American Mathematical Society
American Physical Society
American Physiological Society
American Political Science Association
American Psychological Association
American Society for Biochemistry & Molecular Biology
American Society for Engineering Education
American Society for Microbiology
American Society of Agronomy
American Society of Civil Engineers
American Society of Mechanical Engineers
American Society of Plant Biologists
American Sociological Association
American Statistical Association
Arafune Government Relations Group
Archaeological Institute of America
Arctic Research Consortium of the U.S. (ARCUS)
Associated Universities, Inc.
Association for Psychological Science
Association for the Sciences of Limnology & Oceanography
Association for Women in Mathematics
Association for Women in Science
Association of American Geographers
Association of American Medical Colleges
Association of American Universities
Association of Environmental & Engineering Geologists
Association of Public and Land-grant Universities
Association of Research Libraries
Association of Science-Technology Centers
Association of Universities for Research in
    Astronomy, Inc. (AURA)
The Bagley Group, LLC
Biophysical Society
Boise State University
Boston University
Brown University
California Institute of Technology
Cavarocchi Ruscio Dennis Associates, LLC
Coalition for Academic Scientific Computation
Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation
Computing Research Association
Consortium for Ocean Leadership
Consortium of Social Science Associations
Consortium of Universities for the Advancement
    of Hydrologic Science
Cornell University
Council of Graduate Schools
Council of Scientific Society Presidents
Council on Food, Agricultural and Resource Economics
Council on Undergraduate Research
Crop Science Society of America
Duke University
Earthquake Engineering Research Institute
Ecological Society of America
Entomological Society of America
Federation of American Societies for
    Experimental Biology
Federation of Associations in Behavioral & Brain Sciences
Federation of Materials Societies
Florida State University
Genetics Society of America

Geological Society of America
Georgia Institute of Technology
Harvard University
IRIS Consortium
Indiana University
Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE-USA)
Lewis-Burke Associates LLC
Linguistic Society of America
Madison Associates LLC
George Mason University
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Materials Research Society
Mathematical Association of America
Michigan State University
Museum of Science, Boston
National Association of Marine Laboratories (NAML)
National Communication Association
National Council for Science and the Environment
National Ecological Observatory Network (NEON)
National Ground Water Association
National Postdoctoral Association
National Science Teachers Association
National Society of Professional Engineers
New Mexico Optics Industry Association
North Carolina State University
Northern Illinois University
Northwestern University
The Ohio State University
Optical Society of America
Oregon State University
Ornithological Council
Pennsylvania State University
Population Association of America/Association of
    Population Centers
Princeton University
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Research!America
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
SAGE Publications Inc.
Seismological Society of America
Semiconductor Industry Association
Society for American Archaeology
Society for Historical Archaeology
Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics
Society for Industrial and Organizational Psychology
Society for Neuroscience
Society for Research in Child Development
Soil Science Society of America
SPIE
State University of New York System (SUNY)
State University of New York at Stony Brook
Stevens Institute of Technology
Texas Tech University
Tufts University
UNAVCO
University Corporation for Atmospheric Research
University of California
University of Chicago
University of Cincinnati
University of Colorado, Boulder
University of Florida
University of Illinois
University of Michigan
University of New Mexico
University of New Orleans
University of Pennsylvania
University of South Carolina
University of Wisconsin
Vanderbilt University
The George Washington University
Washington State University
Washington University in St. Louis
Wells Consulting
West Virginia University
Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution