

**Dalhousie University
Research Support Fund
2017 – 2018 Objectives / June 2018 Report**

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Eligible expenditure category	Output (investment or expense of RSF grant funds)	Performance Objective	Performance Indicator	Target Outcome	June 2018 Report
Research facilities	Financial support for operating costs for five designated Core facilities	Continue to develop and support Core research facilities and multi-user space	Core facilities centralize research equipment and technical support and are available to the research community	Core facilities are adequately supported to provide excellent resources and assistance to researchers	Support was provided for operating costs of designated Core facilities. Application for support and annual reporting requirements for Core facilities are being established.
Research resources	Library trains and advises research community on Open Access and Data Management Plans	Support improved information resources on OA and DMP	Researchers receive guidance and tools to assist them with OA and DMP requirements	Library becomes main point of contact for researchers on OA and DMP	Library established OA and DMP staff positions to engage research community on OA and DMP requirements and resources.
Management and administration of an institution's research enterprise	Researcher Portal purchased and implemented to help process Investigator's Checklist and research applications on-line	Continue to improve research application processing and approval	Submission of application documents on-line	Electronic submission improves processing time and enhances researcher application experience	Researcher Portal implementation is in progress.
Management and administration of an institution's research enterprise	Academic Staff Relations Manager in HR assists and trains faculty selection committee members	Implement Equity, Diversity and Inclusion initiatives	Consider more members of the four designated groups for hire	University increases representation of four designated groups	In December 2017, Dalhousie developed an Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Action Plan for the Canada Research Chairs (CRC) program. These practices now apply to all faculty and staff hires.
Regulatory requirements and accreditation	Ethics members attend national CAREB conference	Support Ethics members and training	Ethics members receive training opportunities	Ethics members are more fully informed of current issues and initiatives	REB Chairs, staff and ten REB members attended national CAREB conference. Dalhousie faculty led three sessions. Support was also provided for an REB User Guide.