

How Do OSU Extension Cost Recovery Efforts Impact You?

Overall Clarifications:

- Indirect costs for grants and contracts are calculated on the total dollar amount of the budget. If OSU Extension Administration receives credit for indirect costs, 100% of release time will remain with the unit(s) of the faculty/staff who are included in the approved budget.
- Release time is intended to benefit the individuals who will be conducting the work outlined in the grant or contract. It should be utilized to provide assistance to that faculty or staff member so they can focus on the funded project.
- When a sponsor or funding source does not allow indirect costs, a county, district or Extension unit receiving the grant will still be expected to pay **a minimum of 10% indirect costs** to Extension Administration from other sources of funds.
- Units expected to generate the majority of their funding from cost recovery (Leadership Center, Plant and Pest Diagnostic Clinic, OSU Learning Center, LEAD, Data Center, Pesticide Applicator Training, etc.) **are exempt** from paying either release time or indirect costs to Extension Administration. Those funds should be applied to the overall maintenance of the unit.
- Grants and contracts less than \$5000 will not be charged administrative/indirect costs **when the sponsor prohibits such costs**.
- Administrative/indirect costs for contracts associated with continuing projects and on-going partnerships will remain as previously established.

County Unit:

Benefits

- Maintains 100% of release time for county personnel when included in grants, contracts or user fees.
- Receive up 11% indirect costs on non-OSURF grants/contracts after 10% to Extension Administration and 5% to Program Area.
- Revenues beyond expenses with user fees are retained by the unit(s) of those who coordinate the program.
- 100% of gifts and endowments benefit the unit based upon the condition of the gift.
- Retain a portion of state program fees prorated to county or charged in addition to the state fee. For example:
 - Pesticide applicator training fee of \$15: \$6 stays in county/\$9 goes to PAT
 - 4-H Publications: Of the \$2.00 increase, \$.50 stays in county; \$1.50 comes to campus (\$1.35 to 4-H; \$.15 to Administration)

Costs

- Pays a range of 10%-26% indirect costs on non-OSURF grants and contracts, whether or not indirect costs are allowable by the source of the funding.
- Shares revenues appropriately with colleagues who collaborate in planning and conducting cost recovery programming.
- Pays designated share of state program fees

District Unit:**Benefits**

- Maintains 100% of release time for district personnel when included in grants or contracts where Administration benefits from indirect costs.
- Maintains 80% of release time when included in grants, contracts with no indirect cost benefits or when recovered in user fees.
- Receive up to 11% indirect costs on non-OSURF grants/contracts if district faculty serve as the PI. (after Extension Administration received 10% and Program Area received 5%)
- Revenues beyond expenses with user fees are retained by the unit(s) of those who coordinate the program.
- 100% of gifts and endowments benefit the unit based upon the condition of the gift.
- If a state program fee is charged as part of the district program, retain any funds charged in addition to that fee after expenses are paid.

Costs

- Pays a range of 10%-26% indirect costs on non-OSURF grants and contracts, whether or not indirect costs are allowable by the source of the funding.
- Shares revenues appropriately with colleagues who collaborate in planning and conducting cost recovery programming.
- Pays designated share of state program fees as appropriate.
- Shares 20% of release time for district personnel when included in grants/contracts for which OSU Extension is not receiving indirect costs or in user fee calculation.

Program Area (Assistant Director Units):**Benefits**

- Maintains 100% of release time for unit personnel when included in grants or contracts where Administration benefits from indirect costs.
- Maintains 80% of release time when included in grants, contracts with no indirect cost benefits or when recovered in user fees.
- Receive up to 5% indirect costs on non-OSURF grants and contracts received by county or district PI's working in that program area.
- If PI is based in the Assistant Director Unit, receive an additional 11% on non-OSURF grants and contracts received.
- When the AD unit coordinates a program with a user fee, any revenues beyond expenses are retained.
- Retains 90% of any state program fees collected statewide in the program area.
- 100% of gifts and endowments benefit the unit based upon the condition of the gift.
- Receives a distribution of indirect costs proportionate to dollar amount of grants obtained each fiscal year (based upon the OSURF indirect costs distributed to OSU Extension in excess of financial obligation to OSURF).

Costs

- Pays up to 10% indirect costs to Extension Administration for non-OSURF grants and contracts for which unit personnel serve a PI.
- Shares revenues appropriately with colleagues who collaborate in planning and conducting cost recovery programming.
- Shares 20% of release time for unit personnel when included in grants/contracts for which OSU Extension is not receiving indirect costs or included in user fee calculation.

Academic Units:

(This section is not finalized—to be discussed by FAES Vice President's Cabinet and negotiated with Colleges outside FAES)

Extension Administration (Central):**Benefits**

- Receives 10% indirect costs on all non-OSURF grants/contracts. Indirect costs are calculated on the total amount of the grant/contract.
- Receives 10% of State Program Fees collected within a program area.
- Receives 10% of OSURF indirect costs in excess of the annual financial commitment to OSURF. Remaining amount is distributed to program areas/units proportional to the dollar amount of grants/contracts they obtain.

Costs

- Provides support and assistance in grant, contract, user fee, gift and endowment processes from development of the idea through management of funds.
- Provides financial management for all CSREES grants for academic units.
- Provides financial management for all non-OSURF grants/contracts.