



NSF HAS ISSUED PHASE I AND PHASE II UPDATES

National Science Foundation has recently issued their FY21 Phase I solicitation. But that's not all. They've also issued their Phase II solicitation.

Here are the important updates:

- There is now a **three-month COVID-related Phase II proposal extension** for Phase I awardees with start dates between December 4, 2018 and December 4, 2019. This extends the typical 24 month schedule to 27 months.
- The **NSF now requires a specific form** for Biosketches and Current and Pending support. These are the same as the Phase I requirement.
- The Phase II proposal also has a new section called "Broader Impacts." This section is very similar to the recent addition to the Phase I proposal also called Broader Impacts.

Key elements that remain unchanged:

- Funding amount remains \$1 million
- Period of performance is 24 months
- Fee of 10% is allowed
- Payments are made in 5 tranches
 - \$250k at award and every 6 months, except the fourth payment will only be \$225k.
 - A final \$25k will be disbursed after receipt of the final report.
- TABA of up to \$50,000 is allowed, *which is included in the \$1 million*
- Phase II proposals can be submitted any time after six months from the award date
- With the exception listed above, all Phase II proposals are due no later than 24 months after the award date
- Reviews of proposals will start after the close of each submission window

Find Phase I SBIR information [here](#) and Phase I STTR information [here](#).

Find Phase II SBIR information [here](#) and Phase II STTR information [here](#).