



Description of costs included in the five categories:

### **Research Facilities**

This includes laboratories, research networking spaces, offices of research and finance administration, and offices of researchers. In 2023-24 the expenditures include operating costs for facilities such as custodial, security, maintenance, utilities and insurance. Technical support for research is also included in this category.

### **Research Resources**

The University reported a portion of library operating costs, administration staff salaries as well as the acquisition of library holdings in this category. Expenditures related to the cost of information resources such as databases, telecommunications, information technology and research tools for the benefit of researchers were also reported in this category.

### **Management and Administration**

Management and administration costs include institutional support for the completion of grant applications/research proposals, salaries and benefits for staff who work on grant applications and research proposals (e.g. grant facilitators, secretarial and administrative assistants). Salaries and benefits for employees who support the research enterprise (research, financial, human resources and procurement offices as well as Faculty departmental administrative support) are also expenditures included in this category.

### **Regulatory Requirements and Accreditation**

In 2023-24 the cost of training faculty and other research personnel in health and safety, animal care, ethics review, handling radiation and biohazards, and environmental assessments is included. Technical support for animal care, handling of dangerous substances, biohazards and radioactive materials is a significant expense included in this category. In addition, costs associated with the creation of regulatory bodies such as the Research Ethics Board are recognized.

### **Intellectual Property**

The University reported expenditures for the Office of Commercialization and Industry Engagement (OCIE) that supports the research community at Dalhousie University and the affiliated hospitals. OCIE is responsible for promoting innovation, research development, industry engagement and start-ups. OCIE enables the movement of University research from the institutions to the community with tangible results, enabling economic growth.

### **Impact of the RSF at Dalhousie**

The Research Support Fund grant provided \$6.7 million in revenue to support the operating budget of the University. Without this