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Subject: [EXTERNAL] - RE: Comment Request: National Science Foundation Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide
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Additionally, the Current and Pending Support do not clarify gifts from corporations, foundations, etc. Time commitment should also be clarified as time commitment for gifts are not viewed necessarily the same as time commitment for grants (effort). Gifts do not necessarily have a devoted time but may be donated to support research effort and research support.

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Good Morning,

I would like to provide the following comments regarding PAPPG for 2020.

1. Pg-II-23: h. Current and Pending Support.
 - a. Please clarify if startup funds should be included in C&P.
 - b. The Comment clarifies consulting agreements should be included in current and pending support however this is not clearly presented in the text of the PAPPG.
2. Pre-Proposals
 - a. We have noted several NSF programs increasing the use of preliminary proposals with very similar requirements as the full proposals (detailed narrative, budget, budget justification, etc.). Please consider offering clarification regarding the documents required for preliminary proposals that “reduce the proposers’ unnecessary effort in proposal preparation”. Example opportunities: 19-521, 19-0629, 19-0631.

Thank you,