SRCD Signs on to Funding Opportunities

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It's federal budget season on Capitol Hill! Congress has begun the annual appropriations cycle and President Biden has sent his budget request to lawmakers. Here is what SRCD has been doing to advance scientific funding opportunities for our members. Full sign on letters to come.

- SRCD signed on to the Friends of Institute of Education Sciences (IES) letter to the Chair and Ranking Members of the U.S. House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Labor, HHS, Education & Related Agencies. The letter encourages lawmakers to provide at least \$900 million for IES in Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 and speaks to the critical importance of IES. Friends of IES is a coalition of 52 professional organizations, universities and nonprofits that help advance the mission of IES.
- SRCD signed on to an FY24 Appropriations letter from the Coalition for National Science Funding
 (CNSF) to the Chair and Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and
 Related Agencies, U.S. House Committee on Appropriations. The letter urges the Committee to
 appropriate at least \$11.9 billion for the National Science Foundation (NSF) in FY24. CNSF is an alliance

of over 140 professional organizations, universities, and businesses, who are united by a commitment to the future vitality of the national science, mathematics, and engineering enterprise of the United States.

- SRCD signed on to an Ad Hoc Group for Medical Research letter for FY 2024 which urges lawmakers to recommend at least \$50.924 billion for the National Institutes of Health's (NIH) foundational work, a \$3.465 billion increase over the comparable FY 2023 program level, which would allow NIH's base budget to keep pace with the biomedical research and development price index (BRDPI) and allow meaningful growth of 5%.
- SRCD signed on to the Campaign to Invest in America's Workforce, Coalition for Health Funding,
 Coalition on Human Needs and Committee for Education Funding's letter to lawmakers on the
 Appropriations committee, urging them to allocate \$226.8 billion to the Labor-HHS-Education
 Appropriations Subcommittee and requests that non-defense discretionary funding is not cut or
 capped. The letter highlights key areas that past cuts in these agencies have harmed different areas,
 such as student achievement, lower access to quality preschool and early learning opportunities for
 low-income children, health trend research and more.