Research Funding Hits a Record

Funding for research climbed to historic levels during the year that ended June 30, with an 18 percent jump to a total of $415 million. That's double what the University received 11 years ago.

"Pound for pound, our faculty are among the most successful and productive in the nation in attracting research dollars," says Provost Ralph Kuncl. "Research and development funding is the lifeblood of innovation, and Rochester has a strong track record of leveraging its research activity into new ideas and technologies that both benefit the greater society and strengthen the local region's economy."

Here's a breakdown of the numbers for the 2010 fiscal year (July 1, 2009, to June 30, 2010):

- **$415 million**
  Total research funding for 2010, an increase of more than $64 million over the total in 2009.

- **$42.7 million**
  Additional awards from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA).

  Excluding ARRA, the University saw growth in funding from all federal sources and across nearly all divisions in 2010:

- **$211 million**
  National Institutes of Health, an increase of 17 percent.

- **$16 million**
  National Science Foundation, an increase of 34 percent.

- **$73 million**
  Department of Energy, an increase of 29 percent.

  Excluding ARRA, awards to the Hajim School of Engineering and Applied Sciences grew by 37 percent, and awards to the School of Arts and Sciences grew by 26 percent.

  The Medical Center saw research funding jump by $35.7 million in 2010 over the previous year.

  —Kathleen McGarvey