

CMU 2010 FY07 Annual Report

Project Title: Leveraging Institutional Resources: A Matching Fund for Competitive External Funding

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Refer to your *Outcome Evaluation Worksheet* to complete the information below. Insert additional rows if needed. Rows will automatically expand as you type. You are welcome to attach additional documents to supplement – but **not** substitute for - the information provided below.

	Outcome/Milestone	Status (Complete, in Progress, or Not started)	Date Measured	What are the next steps to achieving this outcome?
1	100% of annual budget allocation committed to funded projects	P	06/14/07	As of 06/14/07, \$81,000 of the original \$100,000 allocation has been committed to projects for which award letters have been received or for which the sponsor has indicated funding is forthcoming, i.e., 81% of the outcome goal. A number of very competitive proposals submitted in early 2007 (see attached spreadsheet) will likely help us exceed this outcome goal.
2	30 proposals submitted for which annual budget allocation is committed to pending projects	P	06/14/07	As of 06/14/07, 29 proposals have been submitted to which the annual budget allocation has been committed, i.e., 97% of the outcome goal. It is likely that at least one additional proposal will be submitted in the final two weeks of June 2007 to reach the 30 proposal outcome goal.
3	5:1 ratio of external funding committed to matching funds committed (at least \$500K)	C	06/14/07	The ratio of external funding committed to matching funds committed is estimated to be 23:1, well exceeding the 5:1 outcome goal. A precise figure will be available once all award letters have been received.

4	4% increase in external funding over FY 2005 levels	P	06/14/07	As of 06/14/07, total external funding has declined by an unexpected 15% from comparable FY 2006 year-to-date levels. There are some obvious reasons (e.g., funding would be level had a \$810K federal earmark been awarded to CMU instead of the CMU Research Corporation, and had CMU been able to replicate a FY 2006 \$669K grant for digital conversion of public television), but clearly we must examine in detail why funding has not increased and develop new strategies to turn the trend around. These efforts will be delayed until Janine Janosky, the new Vice Provost for Research, begins on September 1, 2007.
5	5:1 ratio of external funding requested to matching funds proposed (at least \$500K)	C	06/14/07	The ratio of external funding requested to matching funds proposed is 27:1, well exceeding the 5:1 outcome goal.

What are your plans for sustaining support for your project beyond the CMU 2010 funding period?

Absent annual base funding for cost sharing, the only way to sustain this project is by reverting to the original funding model by which matching funds are allocated from the return of Facilities & Administrative costs provided via funded grants and contracts.