

Arrowhead Center STTR Accelerator

Applications are due May 8th | Notices will be sent out May 15th

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Guided Support for STTR Proposal Package Preparation.

The Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) submission process can be daunting. Designed as an intensive introduction to STTR proposal preparation, Arrowhead Center's SBIR/STTR Accelerator (ACSA) provides the structure and support you need to garner a thorough knowledge of the STTR program and put together a strong proposal package.

Do you have an innovative technology or innovation that has commercial potential, or are you interested in pursuing STTR funding for a technology housed at a Research Institution (e.g. Los Alamos National Laboratory)?

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The ACSA Model

Putting together a strong STTR proposal takes time. Drawing on the resources and expertise of NM FAST – Arrowhead Center's SBIR/STTR assistance program – ACSA provides a guided, structured track of support, from registration to submission. Throughout this multi-week program, participants will receive guidance on areas such as selecting the most relevant topic area, partnering with a Research Institution, preparing an accurate budget, and how to create a strong proposal package. Each week will focus on a different aspect of proposal preparation and creation.

Weekly, participants can expect to:

- Attend a virtual meeting
- Complete "assignments" to help them develop a strong proposal package in the future
- Receive feedback, guidance, and support from NM FAST

For this cohort, the ACSA program will focus on providing participants with general knowledge for addressing needs, writing technically, and determining cost drivers. This 6-week course will provide an introduction into why the STTR program is relevant for small businesses and the value that this program can bring in transferring and transitioning technologies out of research labs and into the commercial market.

Through the ACSA program, you'll receive targeted support on the following areas of proposal development:

- Registrations
- Diagramming your idea
- Technical writing
- Cost driver identification for budget creation
- Partnering with a Research Institution

Tailored Benefits

Targeted Support

Our team will walk you through the STTR proposal development process, from start to finish.

Funding

We want you to submit the strongest proposal possible. To achieve this, you will be matched with a service provider to work on a specific aspect of proposal development (e.g. diagram/figure creation, budget, work plan, etc.). NM FAST will provide payment directly to the service provider to pay for this work.

Professional Review

Having a third party review your proposal is critical. The NM FAST program has STTR experts on-hand to review and provide constructive feedback before you submit. We will review a future proposal before submission for accuracy, content, and completeness.

Connect

Putting together a quality STTR proposal package can be overwhelming. We use a cohort-style approach to build a community of innovators working towards a shared goal (Don't worry: your technology will be covered by a non-disclosure agreement).

We will also connect you to experts – those who live and breathe STTR – throughout the program. Expect to talk to experienced reviewers, industry experts, and winning proposal writers.

We are looking for small businesses working on innovative ideas in New Mexico, or researchers at a Research Institution who would like to fund technology development through the STTR program.

Requirements include:

STTR Program Eligibility:

- Having 500 or fewer employees;
- Independently owned and operated, and organized for profit;
- Principal place of business in the U.S.;
- At least 51% owned by U.S. citizens or lawfully admitted permanent resident aliens;
- All work must be performed within the U.S.;
- The Principal Investigator (PI) must spend more than one-half of their time employed by the proposing firm or Research Institute (RI) for any agency (the National Science Foundation (NSF) is an exception); and,
- Have a minimum of 40% of the research work performed by the proposing firm and a minimum of 30% of the research work performed by the RI in Phase I.

To participate in ACSA, additional requirements must be met:

- The business or researcher must be working on an idea that aligns with federal agency definitions of "innovative";
- Must be a New Mexico based small business; and
- Business cannot have won a SBIR/STTR from any agencies in the past two years.

Timeline

Application Deadline	May 8, 2020
Acceptance Notices Sent	May 15, 2020
First Day of ACSA	May 18, 2020
Last Day of ACSA	June 26, 2020

Application Deadline

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Day(s) Hour(s) Minute(s) Second(s)

Frequently Asked Questions

- [How much does ACSA cost?](#)
- [I don't live in Las Cruces - can I still participate?](#)
- [What is the time commitment for participation?](#)
- [I don't have grant writing experience - can I still participate?](#)
- [Does participation in ACSA guarantee me a STTR award?](#)

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