

Institutional Investment Story 2024-2025

The Tri-Council [Research Support Fund](#) (RSF) assists Canadian postsecondary institutions with the costs associated with managing their research enterprise, helping them to maintain a world-class research environment. Grants can be used to:

- maintain modern labs and equipment;
- secure research from threats;
- provide access to up-to-date knowledge resources;
- provide research management and administrative support;
- meet regulatory and ethical standards; or
- transfer knowledge from academia to the private, public and not-for-profit sectors.

Tyndale University has an affiliation agreement with the Centre for Community Based Research (CCBR) for the allocation of Research Support Funds. In 2024-2025 Tyndale University was awarded \$71,341 of which \$65,634 was directed to CCBR for their involvement on research grants funded by Tri-Councils.

How the funds were invested

CCBR allocated the majority of their funds (\$60,794) to the Management and Administration expenditure category. Investments in this category were made in the following areas:

Salary support (\$59,077): RSF funds offset salaries and benefits for staff to ensure continuity of essential services such as identifying funding opportunities, proposal writing, application review, cyber security measures, and financial/human resources administration and management.

Research promotion (\$1,717): A portion of RSF funds supported the promotion of research activities via the publishing of an annual report highlighting the research conducted during the year.

Outcomes and impact

RSF funding covers indirect costs related to research that enables CCBR to fulfill its mission of collaboratively building more responsive and supportive communities, especially for those with limited power and opportunity. These funds helped CCBR to provide staff with the support infrastructure that they need in order to identify, efficiently conduct, and showcase successful research.

For example, RSF funding in 2024-2025 strengthened the administration and management of CCBR's research program. This included supporting CCBR staff to collaborate with its many community and academic partners in proposal development. It also supported the development of new cyber security protocols to protect research-related information. RSF funding also assisted CCBR to increase the public profile of its research. CCBR was able to professionally produce its annual report summarizing all its research projects, including spotlighting their community impact.