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The University of California, San Diego ranked 10th in the nation in the amount of Federal support funds received during the 1972 fiscal year according to a report just released by the National Science Foundation in Washington, D.C.

The report, published in "NSF Highlights" and prepared by the ITSF Division of Science Resources Studies, lists the 100 universities and colleges receiving the largest amounts of Federal funds during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1972. According to the report, Federal support to universities and colleges amounted to \$4.1 billion during 1972, an increase of \$643 million, or 18 percent, over the previous fiscal year.

UCSD received nearly \$57.7 million, an increase of some \$8 million over the previous year, moving the San Diego campus from 12th to 10th in the list of the top 100 schools. In the University of California system, UCSD was second only to UCLA, which ranked 6th in the nation. UC Berkeley, ranked 11th, UC San Francisco, ranked 21st, and UC Davis, ranked 42nd, were also listed in the top 100.

The Massachusetts Institute of Technology, with a total of nearly \$113 million in Federal grants, led all other universities and colleges in the nation. Others in the top 10 were: University of Washington, \$73.3 million; University of Michigan, \$66.8 million; Harvard University, \$65.1 million; University of Minnesota, \$64.2 million; UCLA, \$63.9 million; University of Wisconsin (Madison), \$62.5 million; Stanford University, \$62.2 million; Columbia University, \$60.7 million; and UCSD, \$57.7 million.

The University of Southern California, ranked 27th, and the California Institute of Technology, ranked 51st, were the only other California schools listed among the top 100.

In 1972 the first 100 universities and colleges received \$2.67 billion in Federal support, some \$257 million more than in 1971. Their share of the total funds given to all institutions, however, declined from 69 percent in 1971 to 65 percent in 1972.

During 1972, as in previous years, the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare (HEW) led all other Federal agencies in total funding to universities and colleges with \$2.3 billion. Within HEW, major sources of support included the National Institutes of Health (NIH), \$1.4 billion; the Office of Education (OE), \$999 million; and Health Services and Mental Health Administration (HS14RA), \$359 million.

Among the five other major sponsoring agencies, the National Science Foundation (NSF) and the Department of Agriculture (USDA) with \$459 million and \$239 million respectively, showed increases in funding while the Department of Defense (DOD), the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), and the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC), showed decreases.

The 1972 total represents a 25-percent increase over the level of funding reported in 1967. Because of inflation, however, the \$4.1 billion in 1972 for Federal support to universities and colleges (when converted to 1967 dollars) is only 0.4 percent higher than in 1967.

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