

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development

HB Section(s): 3.165

Program Name: Lincoln University Land-Grant Match

Program is found in the following core budget(s): Public Universities Appropriations

1a. What strategic priority does this program address?

Strengthen the university's land-grant missions of agriculture & food research and extension and increase State land-grant match support

1b. What does this program do?

Lincoln University is an 1890 land-grant institution. The Code of Federal Regulations requires 1890 land-grant institutions to match 100% of the federal appropriations with state resources. These funds (federal and state) are to support food and agriculture research as well as various extension programs across the State of Missouri. Lincoln University Extension Office provides research-based educational programs to Missouri's hard to reach populations, socially vulnerable populations, many of whom are ethnic minorities, who slip through the safety net of educational and other services. Specifically, Extension serves areas such as St. Louis, Kansas City, Jefferson City, and Southeast Missouri. The Research Program conducts cutting-edge research and develop technologies to address emergent, critical issues facing Missouri agriculture industry and communities. Small, limited-resource farmers improve production and increase profits and add to the economy of Missouri. Many limited -resource, minority, socially disadvantaged and beginning farmers have had better access to technical advice on animal and crop production, pest management tools and strategies that are simple, effective, and affordable.

2a. Provide an activity measure(s) for the program.

The identified critical issues and 5-year plan of work for the research and extension programs are required for the USDA-NIFA (National Institute of Food and Agriculture) review and approval. The proposed capacity research and extension projects associated with the critical issues must be submitted for the NIFA review and approval. Annual progress or final report of each research and extension project is required to be submitted. Currently, the Research Program has 28 active, NIFA-approved capacity (Evans-Allen) research projects. There are 29 capacity research projects and extramural grant projects conducted on our three farms. We track and report on a variety of outcomes for each program in operation. These include programs for farmers, Missouri seniors, childhood obesity reeducation and nutrition, youth development (e.g. 4H) and other areas.

2b. Provide a measure(s) of the program's quality.

The number of the research and extension projects approved by NIFA, the number of the research and extension articles published, the number of conference, workshop, seminar presentations, the number of conference, workshop, field day, seminar or outreach events organized, the number of people contacted or reached out, the number of extramural-funded grants and agreements received. We track a variety of quality measures such as small farmer satisfaction with our conferences, meetings and workshops, etc.

2c. Provide a measure(s) of the program's impact.

The number of the research and extension projects that address the state's critical needs, the number of the research and extension articles published in peer-reviewed journals, the number of people attending the research and extension events, the number of competitive grants received. There are a variety of measures such as the 39,906 farmers-to-families food boxes delivered by extension services.

2d. Provide a measure(s) of the program's efficiency.

The amounts of the capacity funds used to support the approved, impactful research and extension projects and activities, the amounts of extramural grant funding received to leverage federal and state funding in support of current research and extension programs.

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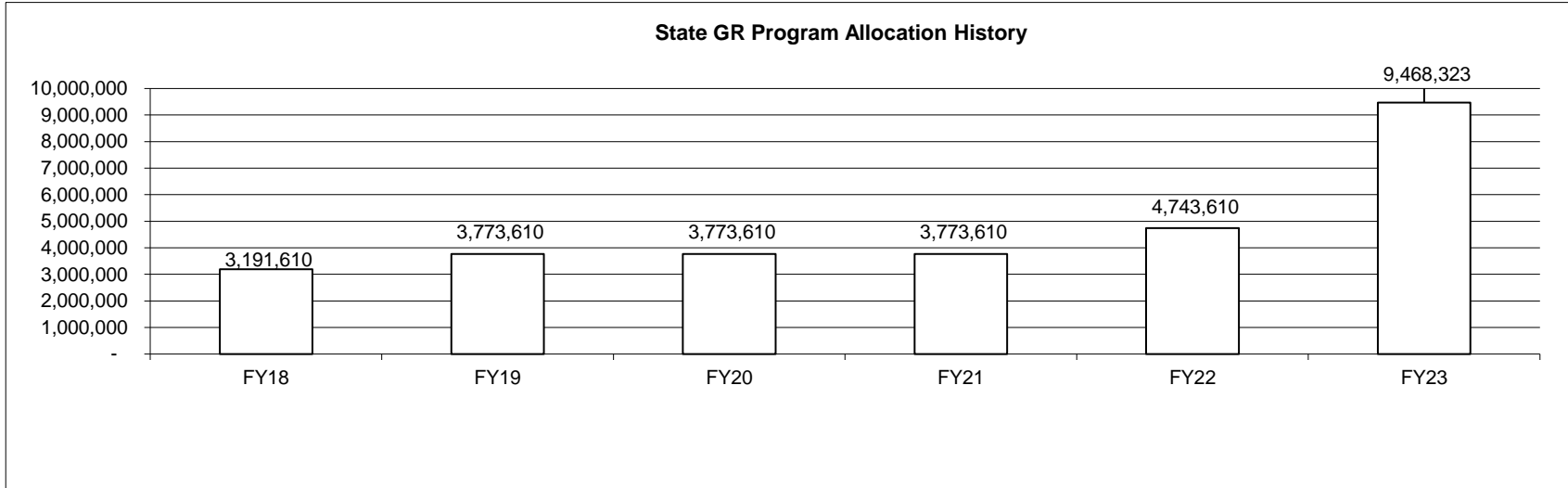
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3. Provide actual expenditures for the prior three fiscal years and planned expenditures for the current fiscal year. (*Note: Amounts do not include fringe benefit costs.*)



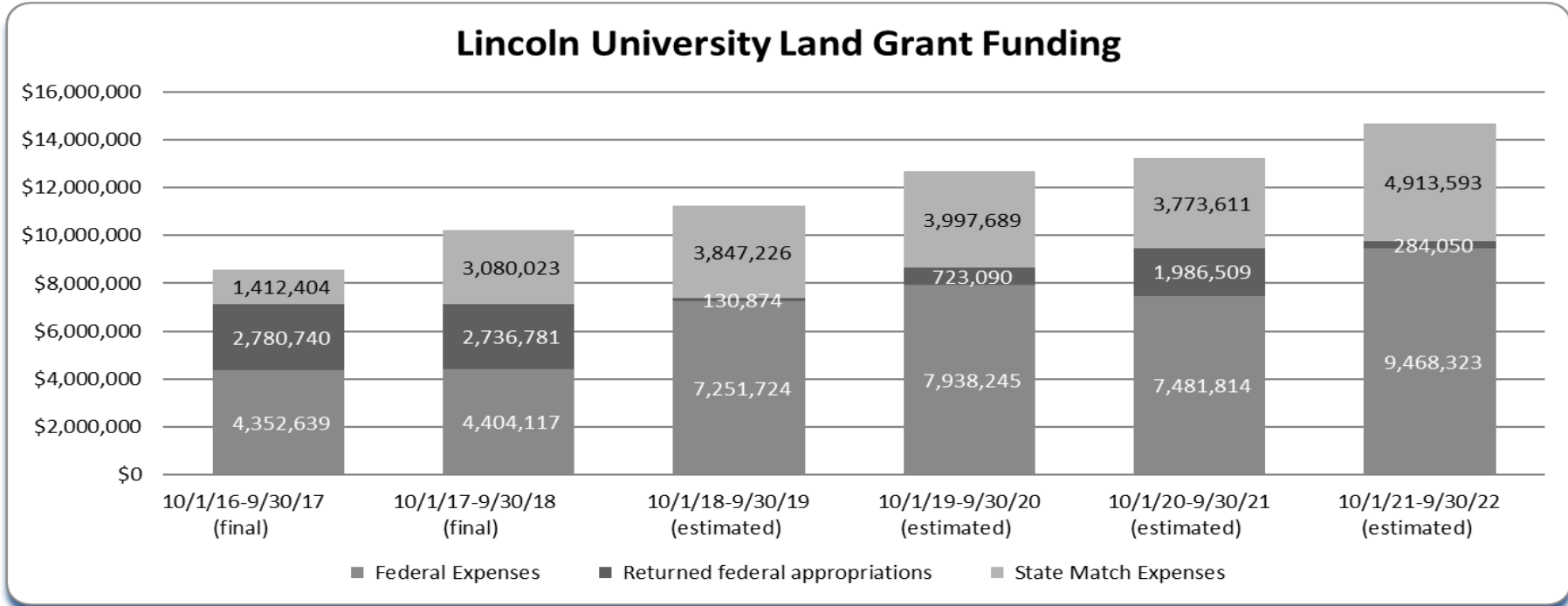
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State match expenses are based on the 3% statutory reserve. Match amounts vary and these are multi-year grants.
 Note: The notation of "estimated" is due to the fact that these awards were extended due to Covid and final reports are still pending.

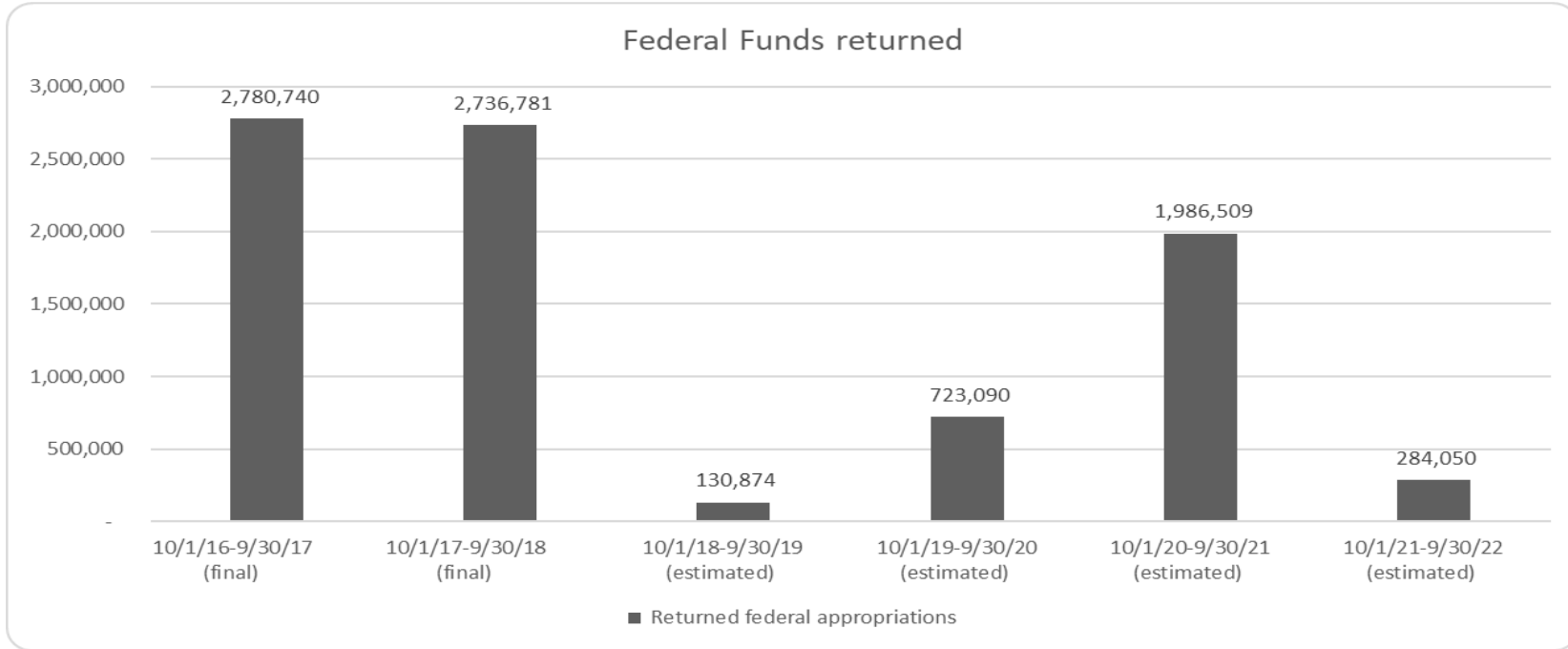
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As referenced in the chart above, Lincoln University has had to return federal allocations, earmarked for Lincoln University and the State of Missouri, because the University has not received funding from the state as required in the federal regulations. The university is required to match at 100% but can apply for a waiver. If the waiver is approved, the minimum match is 50%. Any unmatched federal allocations are returned to USDA/NIFA. To ensure that all available resources are fully utilized in the state, additional matching funds must be allocated to Lincoln University. The Federal Funds Returned chart is contingent upon approval of waiver requests. The amount needed to be fully funded is \$9,761,158 million, assuming that the federal allocation does not increase again in this year's federal budget cycle.

Historically the federal awards have a two year spending period. NIFA extended that timeline to 3 years for the award year 10/1/18-9/30/19, thus final expenses are due 9/30/21. Due to this extension, that year and subsequent years remain as estimated amounts. Effective in the 10/1/20-9/30/21 award year, the Extension award can be spent over a five year period, while the Research program remains a two year award allocation.

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4. What are the sources of the "Other " funds?

N/A

5. What is the authorization for this program, i.e., federal or state statute, etc.? (Include the federal program number, if applicable.)

This program is supported by federal appropriations based on the Second Morrill Act of 1890.

6. Are there federal matching requirements? If yes, please explain.

Yes, the land-grant appropriations require a 100% match; please reference CFR Title 7, part 3419. Within the definitions in section 3419.1, matching funds are defined as "cash contributions from non-Federal sources made available by the State to the eligible institutions".

7. Is this a federally mandated program? If yes, please explain.

Yes, according to the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Title 7, part 3419, 1890 Land-Grant Institutions are subject to matching requirements. This regulation was enacted in 2000 with a match requirement of 30%, increasing each year to a 100% match requirement in 2007. The CFR allows institutions to apply for a waiver of 50%, but is based on three criteria: 1) Natural disaster, flood, fire, etc. 2) State and/or institution facing a financial crisis or 3) Demonstration of good faith to obtain funds. While the institution has received waivers in the past, waivers are not guaranteed. Lincoln University is an 1890 Land-Grant Institution. It receives an annual allocation around \$9,468,323. Thus, we must adhere to the matching requirement as specified in the CFR.