

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS DIVISION UPDATE

Dr. Jack DeRochi, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, will provide the Committee with an Academic Affairs Division Update.

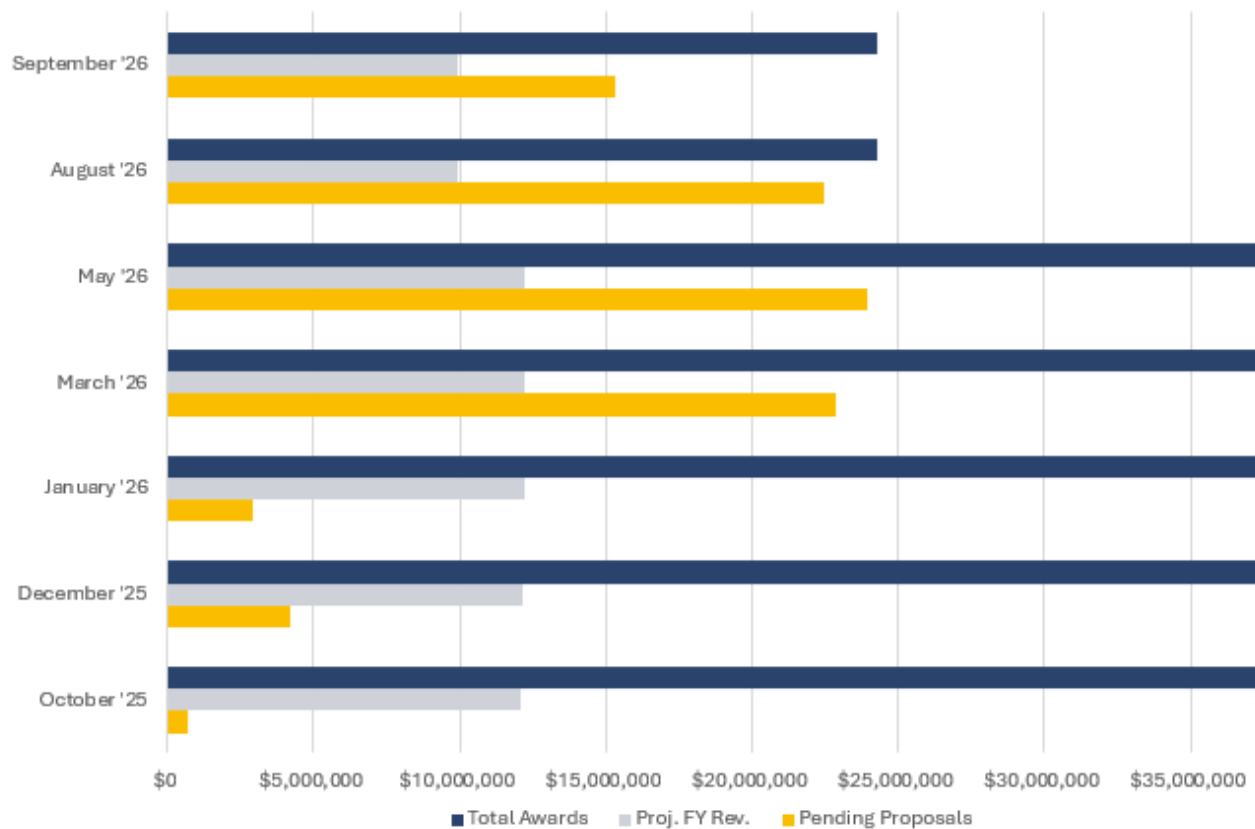
Office of Sponsored Programs – Academic Affairs Report

Office of Sponsored Programs (For detailed information, please visit: <https://www.shepherd.edu/osp>)

FY2027 Active Grant Awards to Date: September 2, 2026

- Projected FY2027 revenue from active and closed grants: **\$9,922,728**
- Total current value of all FY2026 grants (active, awarded and/or closed): **\$24,263,169**

Grants Snapshot



Newly Awarded Grants to Date: September 2, 2026

- West Virginia Humanities Council's Mini Grants: Telling Our Story: An Interpretive History Installation at the Shepherdstown Opera House, Dr. Benjamin Bankhurst. **\$1,500**

Pending Grant Proposals to Date: September 2, 2026

- Submitted and awaiting decision on award.
- Total FY2026 current pending proposals: **\$15,284,274**
- Summary of Pending Awards:
 - HEPC Open Education Resources: West Virginia Impact Initiative, Dr. Robert Szarka, College of Business. **\$7,500**
 - Preservation Alliance of West Virginia Frontier to Statehood Preservation Fund: Preservation and Improvement of Shepherd University's Civil War Center, Dr. Jennifer Murray, Department of History. **\$73,168**
 - Health Resources and Services Administration Nurse Education, Practice, Quality, and Retention Program: Community-Access Ready Education (CARE WV): Preparing Nurses for Community-Based Care, Dr. Laureen Donovan, School of Nursing. **\$2,933,192**
 - US Department of Agriculture Rural Business Development Grant: Heritage Tourism and Business Development Initiative, Dr. Zahra Pourabedin, College of Business. **\$33,752**
 - Department of Labor Strengthening Institutions: Shepherd University's AI Enabled Student Success Capacity Building and Educational Navigation for Degree Completion (ASCEND), Dr. Jack DeRochi, Provost. **\$2,615,426**
 - Center for Medical Services: Evidence Based Whole Person Health Access Initiative, Dr. Jennifer Flora, Wellness Center. **\$212,289**
 - FY27 Congressionally Directed Spending: Health Simulation and Infrastructure Modernization Project, Facilities. **\$4,640,150**
 - FY27 Congressionally Directed Spending: Academic Infrastructure Enhancement Project Phase ii, Dr. Richard Stevens, Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs. **\$2,455,325**
 - R61/R33 Photobiomodulation of the Gut-Microbiome Axis to Improve Emotional Well-Being and Whole Person Health Index, Dr. Jennifer Flora, Wellness Center and Dr. Kelly Watson Huffer, School of Nursing. **\$2,313,475**