Sample NSF Budget justification

A. Salaries and Wages – Senior Personnel The Principal Investigator, Dr. Flint, will work full time (100% effort) on the project for two months every summer of the three-year project period. Her compensation is calculated on the basis of 2-ninths of her base academic salary of $________. She will be responsible for overall project direction and coordination, for assuring successful project completion, including submission of progress reports, as required. Dr. Flint will supervise the graduate student, be responsible for the review of the field-testing data and comparison with the experimental model, and will prepare manuscripts for publication.

B. Salaries and Wages – Other Personnel: A total of $________ is requested to fund one graduate student: 50% effort during academic year and 100% for 2 summer months is requested for the entire three-year project. The graduate student will be involved with the collection of survey data and its review and analysis, analysis of the field test data, and development of the experimental model.

C. Fringe Benefits: Fringe Benefits are calculated at 18.87% for faculty during the summer, 30% for faculty during the academic year, and 10% for students. The total fringe for the project is %__________.

D. Permanent Equipment: A high performance universal super computer (model 4870) is requested ($117,500). This equipment is essential for the completion of the project. An older model of this resource is available to the department; however, it is in continuous use by Dr. Smith on his NSF-supported project entitled Acquisition of High Performance Computer (No 444).

E. Travel
   1. Domestic Travel: Out of state travel costs are based on current average round trip airfare on domestic air carriers and the per diem rate for hotel, meals, and expenses estimated by the General Services Administration. In each year of the project we are requesting funds to cover the cost of the PI and one student to attend and present at 3 conferences annually at approximately $1,000 per person per trip for a total of $12,000 over two years (2 individuals x 3 conferences x $1,000 x 2 years = $12,000).
   2. Foreign Travel: Not Applicable

F. Participant Support Costs: Not Applicable
   1. Stipends: Not Applicable
   2. Travel: Not Applicable
   3. Subsistence: Not Applicable
   4. Other: Not Applicable

G. Other Direct Costs
   1. Materials and Supplies: A total of $3,000 is requested for materials, including plastic ware ($500); chemicals and reagents ($500); gases ($250); photographic expenses ($1,000) and other essential project-related supplies ($750).
2. **Publication Costs/Documentation/Dissemination:** A total of $1,000 is requested for printing, copying, and dissemination.

3. **Consultant Services:** Not Applicable
4. **Computer Services:** Not Applicable
5. **Subawards:** Not Applicable
6. **Other:** Not Applicable

**H. Total Direct Costs:** $______________

**I. Indirect Costs:** Indirect costs are calculated at 41% of salaries as outlined in AASU’s grants and contracts manual. The two year total of salaries is $______. Indirect, calculated at (41%) of salaries, totals $________over the two years.

**J. Total Direct and Indirect Costs:** $__________

**K. Residual funds:** None

**L. Amount of this Request:** $______

**M. Cost Sharing Proposed Level:** Not required