SBIR/STTR and COVID-19 Funding

Looking for Opportunities in Critical Times:

Learn about the SBIR/STTR program & COVID-19 Funding
Presented by the University of California Riverside’s SBIR/STTR Resource Center

The federal SBIR/STTR program is viewed as the leading resource for many small businesses looking for commercialization and contracting support. What challenges and opportunities are being offered by federal agencies during this COVID-19 emergency? What lessons can we learn about what it takes to win these awards? How can we facilitate an expedited submission and review of proposals? What are the decision criteria for this special funding?

Topics to be discussed include:
- Introduction to the SBIR/STTR Program; Federal Mission & Goals; and Participating Agencies
  - The Three-Phase Process: Dollar Amounts Available
  - Applicant Eligibility Requirements; Size Rule; Applicant Criteria
  - How to Start – Specifics of the Sequential Multi-Registration Process: Rules of the Road
- SBIRs Response to COVID-19
  - Areas of research being funded and Specific Agency Interests

About the Speaker and University of California Riverside’s SBIR/STTR Resource Center. This interactive workshop is given by serial entrepreneur Dr. Martin Kleckner. His ventures and clients have been awarded over $60 Million in federal agency and private funds during the past six years. He has worked with the highly-regarded Innovation Corps (NSF I-Corps; I-Corps at NIH) program at universities nationwide and has more than 30 years of experience in senior level operations, general management, marketing, and business development. He serves as an Entrepreneur-in-Residence with the UC Riverside Office of Technology Partnerships and has been a reviewer for the NIH. In the last 4 years, he has advised start-ups in winning 16 SBIR grants. The University of California Riverside’s SBIR/STTR Resource Center, in partnership with UCR’s EPIC SBDC and the Office of Technology Partnerships, offers small businesses comprehensive SBIR/STTR proposal support. The Center assists with the SBIR/STTR proposal submission process, development of a winning proposal, and connecting companies with UC Riverside.