The Coalition for National Science Funding (CNSF) applauds Congress for passing the CHIPS and Science Act of 2022, which includes a significant 5-year authorization for the National Science Foundation (NSF) and the newly established Technology, Innovation and Partnerships (TIP) Directorate. Congress has set an ambitious vision for NSF to initiate critical regional innovation activities, increase its STEM workforce and capacity building efforts, and enhance research in essential technology areas and national, social, and geopolitical challenges. However, none of these activities in the CHIPS and Science bill will be fully realized unless Congress pairs this first step with appropriate funding measures.

We urge Congress to take the next important step of providing a robust infusion of funds to NSF through FY23 appropriations and beyond. Investing in the NSF is critical to strengthening America’s global competitiveness and supporting research and education efforts that will better our country for decades to come.