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The Office of International Affairs International Research and Development Division was established in March 2014 to increase international research and development activities at Texas Tech University in collaboration with the Office of Vice President for Research. The division works with faculty campus-wide to create teams of researchers, identify potential funding, and develop grant proposals. In the past three months, the division has helped secure close to \$750,000 in funding. Two faculty from the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources (CASNR) have been awarded \$450,000 to host three PhD students from Ghana as part of the Borlaug Higher Education for Agricultural Research and Development (BHEARD) program administered by USAID and Michigan State. Texas Tech University was the only non-land grant university to be awarded BHEARD candidates. Additionally, a faculty team from departments of ISQS and agricultural and applied economics was awarded \$279,000 from the USDA Foreign Agriculture Service to build market systems capacity in Bangladesh. Over the last three months, the International Research and Development division has helped develop proposals over \$3.4 million, with over \$1 million worth of proposals currently being under review from CASNR, Arts and Sciences, and Human Sciences. Please do not hesitate to contact OIA's Sr. Grants Administrator Reagan Ribordy (Reagan.ribordy@ttu.edu) or me for questions regarding our services.

Thank you.

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