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Table 1. Contributions with Tangible Benefits

Estimated first year benefits to the Government	Amount of Award
Up to \$100,000 in benefits	10% of benefits

Quick Guide for Calculating Awards Based on Tangible Benefits

Benefits	Award	Benefits	Award	Benefits	Award	Benefits	Award	Benefits	Award
Up to		\$350,000	\$12,500	\$610,000	\$15,100	\$870,000	\$17,700	\$2,300,000	\$23,000
\$100,000	10%	\$360,000	\$12,600	\$620,000	\$15,200	\$880,000	\$17,800	\$2,400,000	\$24,000
\$110,000	\$10,100	\$370,000	\$12,700	\$630,000	\$15,300	\$890,000	\$17,900	\$2,500,000	\$25,000
\$120,000	\$10,200	\$380,000	\$12,800	\$640,000	\$15,400	\$900,000	\$18,000		
\$130,000	\$10,300	\$390,000	\$12,900	\$650,000	\$15,500	\$910,000	\$18,100		
\$140,000	\$10,400	\$400,000	\$13,000	\$660,000	\$15,600	\$920,000	\$18,200		
\$150,000	\$10,500	\$410,000	\$13,100	\$670,000	\$15,700	\$930,000	\$18,300		
\$160,000	\$10,600	\$420,000	\$13,200	\$680,000	\$15,800	\$940,000	\$18,400		
\$170,000	\$10,700	\$430,000	\$13,300	\$690,000	\$15,900	\$950,000	\$18,500		
\$180,000	\$10,800	\$440,000	\$13,400	\$700,000	\$16,000	\$960,000	\$18,600		
\$190,000	\$10,900	\$450,000	\$13,500	\$710,000	\$16,100	\$970,000	\$18,700		
\$200,000	\$11,000	\$460,000	\$13,600	\$720,000	\$16,200	\$980,000	\$18,800		
\$210,000	\$11,100	\$470,000	\$13,700	\$730,000	\$16,300	\$990,000	\$18,900		
\$220,000	\$11,200	\$480,000	\$13,800	\$740,000	\$16,400	\$1,000,000	\$19,000		
\$230,000	\$11,300	\$490,000	\$13,900	\$750,000	\$16,500	\$1,100,000	\$19,100		
\$240,000	\$11,400	\$500,000	\$14,000	\$760,000	\$16,600	\$1,200,000	\$19,200		
\$250,000	\$11,500	\$510,000	\$14,100	\$770,000	\$16,700	\$1,300,000	\$19,300		
\$260,000	\$11,600	\$520,000	\$14,200	\$780,000	\$16,800	\$1,400,000	\$19,400		
\$270,000	\$11,700	\$530,000	\$14,300	\$790,000	\$16,900	\$1,500,000	\$19,500		
\$280,000	\$11,800	\$540,000	\$14,400	\$800,000	\$17,000	\$1,600,000	\$19,600		
\$290,000	\$11,900	\$550,000	\$14,500	\$810,000	\$17,100	\$1,700,000	\$19,700		
\$300,000	\$12,000	\$560,000	\$14,600	\$820,000	\$17,200	\$1,800,000	\$19,800		
\$310,000	\$12,100	\$570,000	\$14,700	\$830,000	\$17,300	\$1,900,000	\$19,900		
\$320,000	\$12,200	\$580,000	\$14,800	\$840,000	\$17,400	\$2,000,000	\$20,000		
\$330,000	\$12,300	\$590,000	\$14,900	\$850,000	\$17,500	\$2,100,000	\$21,000		
\$340,000	\$12,400	\$600,000	\$15,000	\$860,000	\$17,600	\$2,200,000	\$22,000		

Presidential approval is required for all awards of more than \$25,000.

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Table 2. Scale of Awards Based on Intangible Benefits

		Extent of Application		
Value of Benefit	Limited	Extended	Broad	General
	Affects functions, mission, or personnel of one facility, installation, regional area, or an organizational element of headquarters. Affects small area of science or technology.	Affects functions, mission, or personnel of an entire regional area, command, or bureau. Affects an important area of science or technology.	Affects functions, mission, or personnel of several regional areas or commands, or an entire Department or Agency. Affects an extensive area of science or technology.	Affects functions, mission, or personnel of more than on Department or Agency, or is in the public interest throughout the Nation and beyond.
Moderate	\$50-\$125	\$126-\$325	\$326-\$650	\$651-\$1,300
Change or modification of an operating principle or procedure with limited use or impact.				
Substantial	\$125-\$325	\$326-\$650	\$651-\$1,300	\$1,301-\$3,150
Substantial change or modification of procedures. An important improvement to the value of a product, activity, program, or service to the public.				
High Value	\$250-\$500	\$500-\$1,000	\$1,000-\$2,500	\$2,500-\$5,000
Complete revision of a basic principle or procedures. A highly significant improvement to the value of product, major activity or program or				

service to the public.				
Exceptional Value	\$500-\$1,000	\$1,000-\$2,500	\$2,500-\$5,000	\$5,000-\$10,000
Initiation of a new principal or major procedures. A superior improvement to the quality of a critical product activity, program or service to the public.				