

**Q: Is the funding that would support the proposed CRAEA a donation, grant or gift?**

*A: The language used on the Charles Koch Foundation website refers to these funds that are awarded to Universities as grants (visit website [here](#).)*

**Q: Did the award go through OSP or the MSU Foundation?**

*A: The agreement was signed by Renee Reijo Pera, Vice President of Research and Economic Development, not the MSU Foundation.*

**Q: Is it true that the funding came with the stipulation from the Koch Foundation that the awardees would work to get Center status for the research project?**

*A: Yes*

**Q: The agreement document states that the Koch Foundation can terminate the agreement. Is this true of other funding agencies like NSF or NIH?**

*A: It is normative for funding agencies to have policies that allow for the termination of an award. For example, NSF can terminate or suspend a project in whole or in part when the grantee fails to comply with the terms and conditions of the grant (see policy [here](#)).*

**Q: If MSU does not create CRAEA, will the Koch Foundation discontinue funding?**

*A: This is not known.*

**Q: Does the proposed CRAEA align with the MSU Strategic Plan and Values?**

*A: The proposal describes how Profs. Smith and Stocks believe the Center aligns with the MSU Strategic Plan. The co-directors have submitted a response that is currently available to senators.*

**Q: Are grants from this Koch Foundation consider competitive? For example, do we know how many applications are submitted and funding rates?**

*A. Although the Koch Foundation lists all the Colleges and Universities that are awarded grants, it is not known how many applications they receive, and how many are funded.*

**Q: What types of MSU projects have been supported with the Koch Foundation grant?**

*A. The co-directors have submitted a response that is currently available to senators.*