## **Picasso Panel – Thinking Beyond 5 G**



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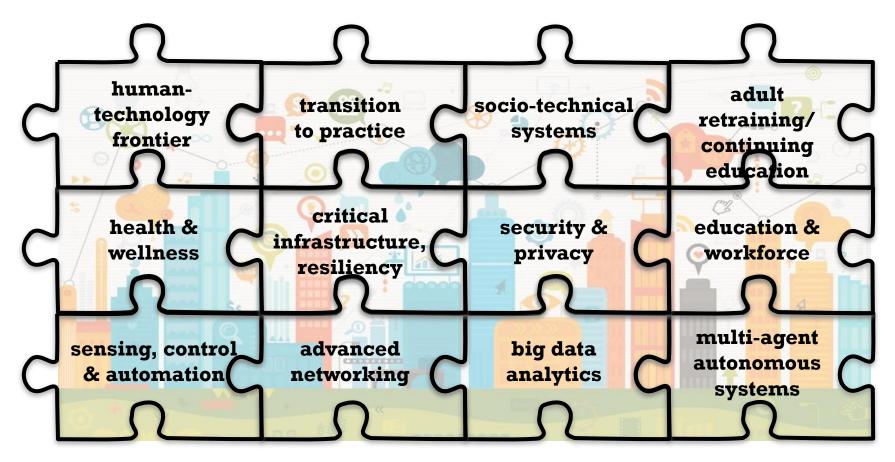
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## Some Motivation: Toward Smart and Connected Communities (S&CC):



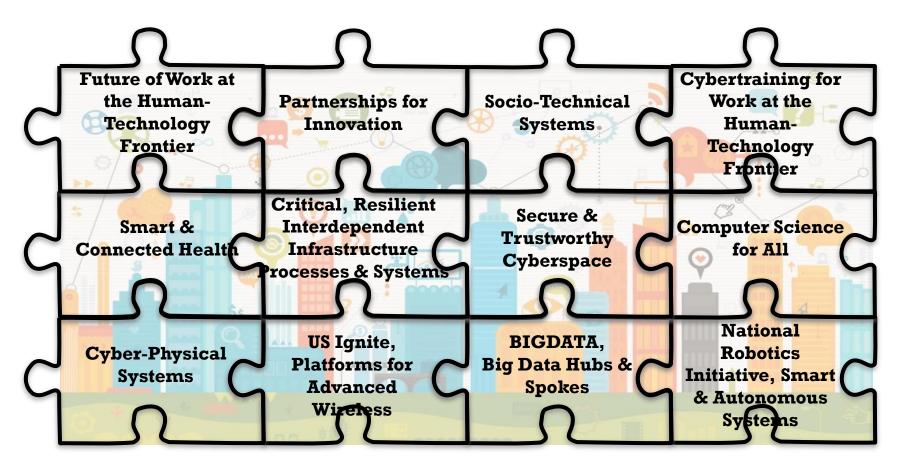
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## NSF is addressing current and future needs of communities...



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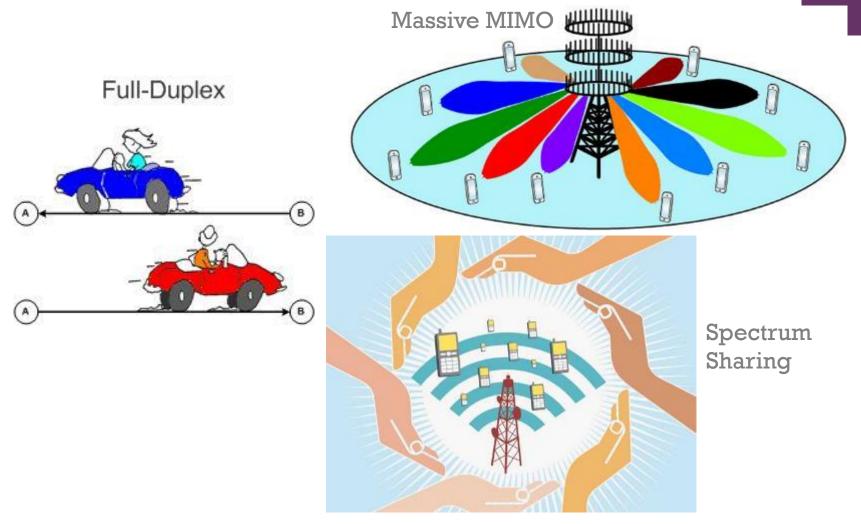
## ...through investments in a range of programs



## Wireless Networking at the National Science Foundation

- Five distinct research programs at the NSF addressing aspects of wireless communications research
  - Theory, Circuits, Spectrum, Systems and Infrastructure
- Total research investment of over \$75M/year in 2017
- Investments fundamental to much of the work published today
- Multiple startups and tech transfers to industry

## + Theory to practice



# Platforms for Advanced Wireless Research (PAWR)



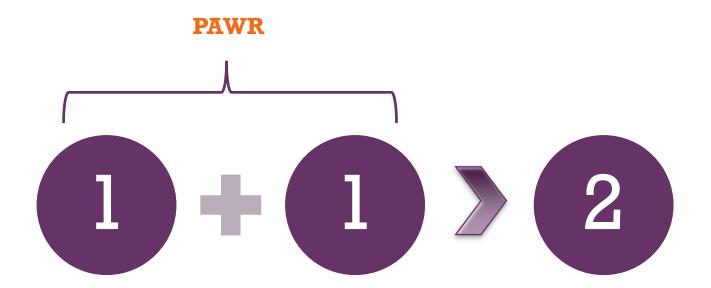
## + Fidelity and methodology issues



#### Hypothesize based on observations

Observe to conform with your hypothesis 
 Selective discarding of data that does not conform 
 Bad Science

## + Public Private Partnership



Industry Consortium <\$+ In-Kind=\$50M>

National Science Foundation <\$50M> 9



More Industry Partners are welcome....

## + PAWR Guiding Principles

#### Reproducibility

- Platforms setup, maintained, documented
- High scientific standards
- Accuracy and repeatability

#### Interoperability

- Prevent silos within research ecosystem
- Well-defined interfaces
- Interconnection with other PAWR platforms

#### **Open Access**

- Accessible by the research community
- Fairness in access

#### **Drivers for**

success

#### **Usability**

- Low learning curve
- Reprogrammable by Advanced Users
- Operable by BS technical level

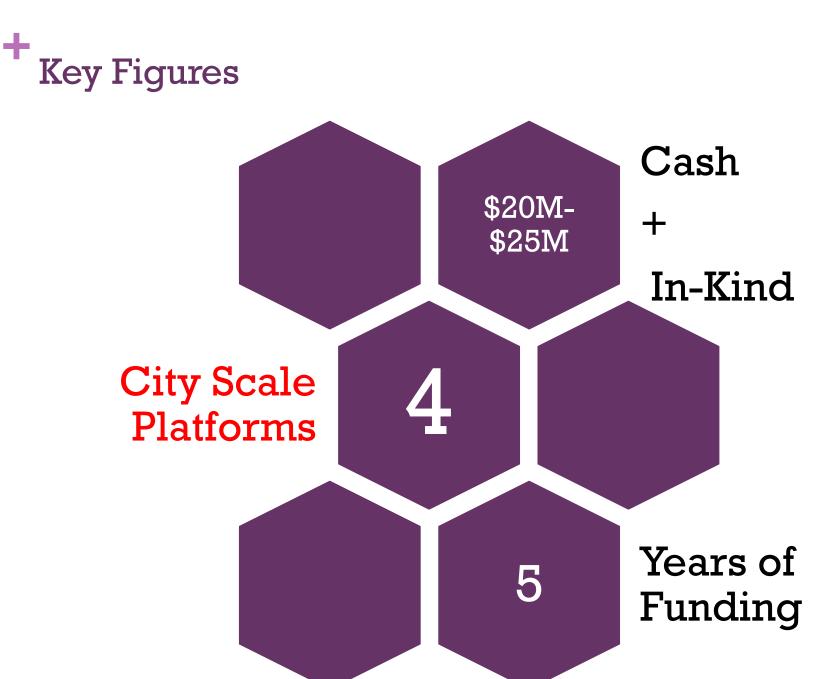
#### **Programmability**

- Programmable at multiple levels (e.g., radio, resource allocation, backbone)
- Clearly defined interfaces and APIs.

#### **Diversity**

- Broad range of topics
- spectrum, mmWave, internet of things, wide-area wireless backhaul, measurements
  - etc.





PAWR Project Office

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## PAWR Project Office (PPO)



NSF and Research

Grants, experimental spectrum licenses, research agenda

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## + From Press Release

The PAWR platforms will enable early-stage research that will push forward robust, new wireless devices, techniques, protocols and services. In addition, these research platforms will allow promising technologies to move quickly to market, provide hands-on practical training to a new generation of students, increase job opportunities, and support overall U.S. economic vitality. The overarching goal is to revolutionize the wireless ecosystem and maintain U.S. leadership in the sector for decades to come.

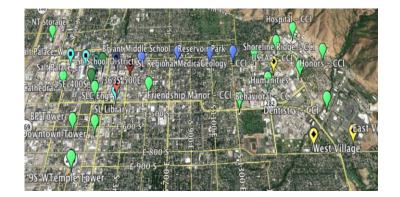
- POWDER: Platform for Open
  Wireless Data-driven
  Experimental Research
  - Next Generation Wireless
    Architecture
  - Dynamic Spectrum Sharing
  - Distinct environments: a dense urban downtown and a hilly campus environment.

RENEW: A Reconfigurable Ecosystem for Next-gen End-to-end Wireless

- Massive MIMO base station (200+ antenna elements)
- End-to-End Programmable
- Diverse Spectrum Access 50 MHz-3.8GHz

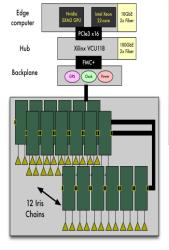






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Deployment Area: UofU Campus +Downtown SLC + Connected Corridor





IRIS softwaredefined radio modules

Architectural view of RENEW base station

https://powderwireless.net/

### COSMOS:Cloud Enhanced Open Software Defined Mobile Wireless Testbed for City-Scale Deployment

- Dense population complex urban RF environment
- Integrated dynamic optical switching + mm-wave comms
- Wideband radio signal processing (with bandwidths of  $\sim$ 500 MHz or more)
- Radio-over-fiber interfaces for ultra-low latency connections
- A multi-layered computing system with an RF thin client; flexible signal processing





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Deployment Area: West Manhattan/Harlem

http://cosmos-lab.org/



28GHz phased-array ICs and phased-array antenna modules (PAAM)

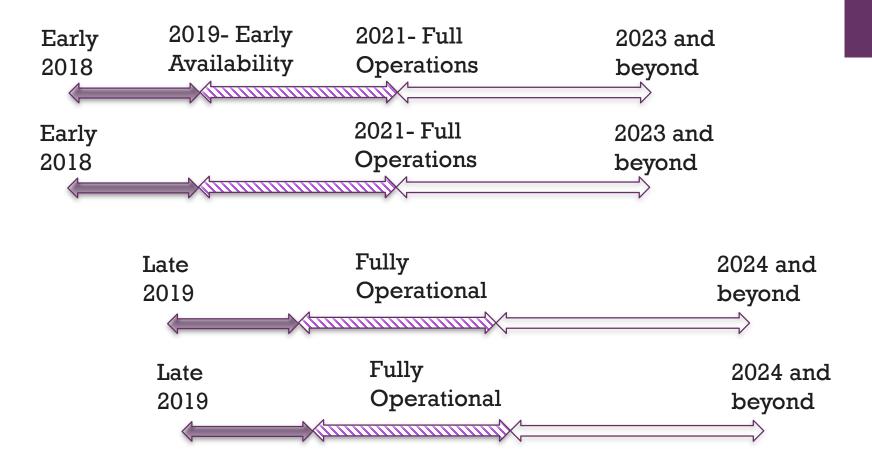
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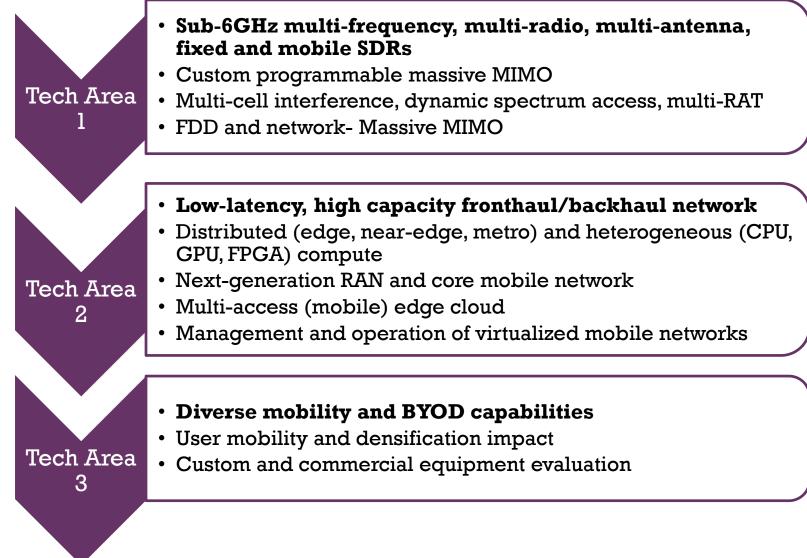




## + Platform(s) Go-Live Timeline

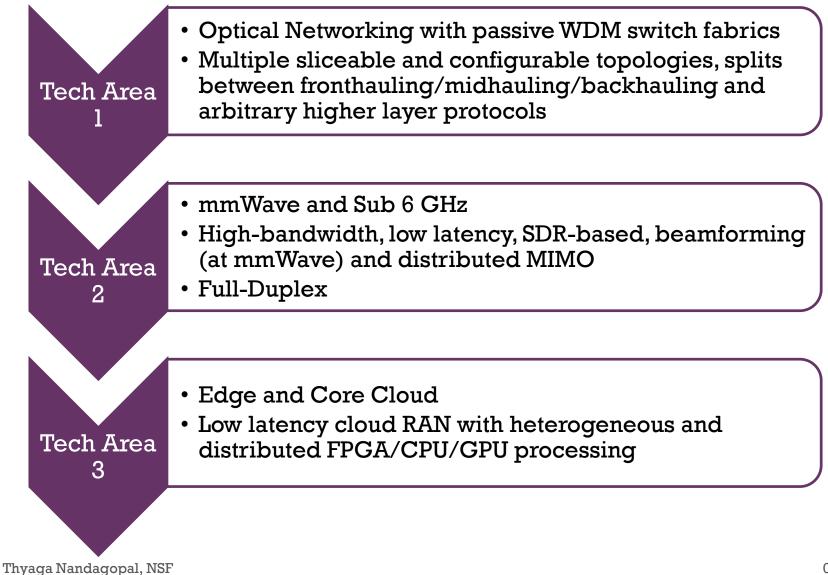


# + POWDER Feature Set



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## + COSMOS Feature Set



# + Who are the users?

- All of us !
  - Academics
  - Industry
  - Government
- Tackle the major issues in wireless communications research
- Research community also has to step up its game
  - Develop standards for experiment specifications
  - Incentivize higher standards for research
  - Shared development of common tools, repositories
  - Determine what standards of reproducibility meets needs

## + What's in it for You?

Research atscale

Industry Opportunity

International Scope Using Highly instrumented end-to-end Platforms to explore wireless, edge and cloud research topics independently or together; benchmarks; quick validation

Critical gap between demand pattern and supply; move away from legacy infrastructure; rapid development, interoperability

Federation between international platforms, shared learning, data and operational best practices