Defense SBIR/STTR Innovation Portal (DSIP)

Volume III – Cost Volume Job Aid



Job Aid Features	This job aid provides an overview and helpful features of the Volume III: Cost Volume forms in the Defense SBIR/STTR Innovation Portal. You will find step-by-step instructions on the following: How the Cost Volume works How to navigate to the Cost Volume Forms How to select your budget components How to fill out the forms	
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Submissions Proposal Cost Volume

Volume III: Cost Volume is where the Firm submits a price proposal of estimated costs with detailed information for each cost element, consistent with the offeror's cost accounting and estimating system. The Cost Volume forms will keep a running total of your budget allocation vs the maximum allowed value as you proceed through the elements.

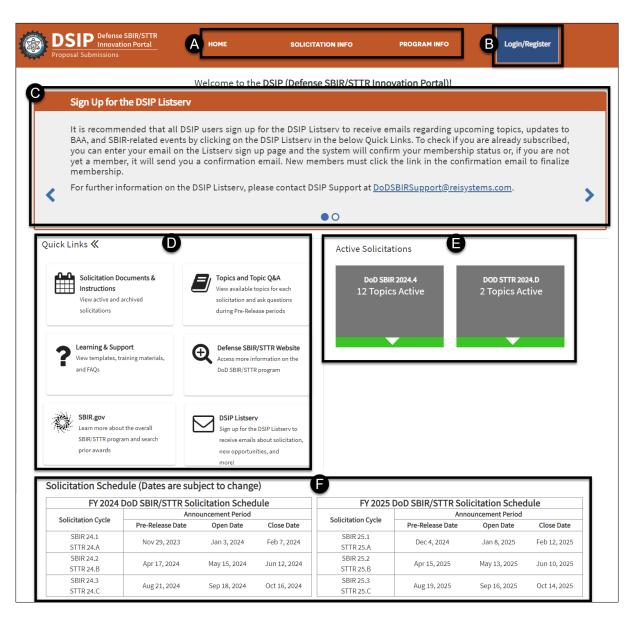
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Access the Cost Volume Form

- 1. Click the link to access the Defense SBIR/STTR Innovation Portal (DSIP):
 - https://www.dodsbirsttr.mil/submissions/login
 - A. You can access the top navigation bar without logging in.
 - B. The **Login/Register** button will redirect you to the Login.gov page to login to DSIP or register in DSIP after acknowledging the Privacy Advisory and the USG Warning and Consent.
 - C. You can view the DSIP system messages in the banner by selecting the dot at the bottom or the arrow button.
 - D. The **Quick Links** take you directly to helpful pages.
 - E. The Active Solicitations section shows the countdown details for each active Solicitation.
 - F. The **Solicitation Schedule** displays solicitations for the current and future year. The dates are subject to change.



- 2. After clicking on Login/Register, you will land on the DSIP Welcome page.
 - A. Read the Privacy Advisory and the USG Warning and Consent then check the acknowledgement box.
 - B. Click the **Continue** button to proceed to the Login page.

Welcome to the DSIP (Defense SBIR/STTR Innovation Portal)!



Privacy Advisory

Authority: Section 9 of the Small Business Act, 15 U.S.C. § 638.

Purpose: To enable small business concerns (SBC) that want to participate in the Department of Defense (DoD) Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR)/Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) programs through the collection and administration of proposal, related business, and award data under the SBIR/STTR programs.

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- b. a Member of Congress or staff acting upon the Member's behalf when the Member or staff requests the information on behalf of, and at the request of, an individual who is the subject of the request
- c. SBA and other federal government recipients as mandated by Federal statute.

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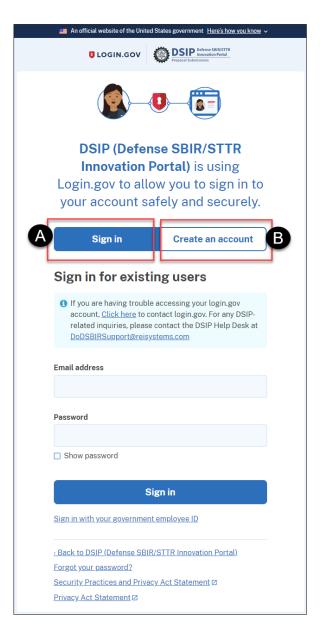




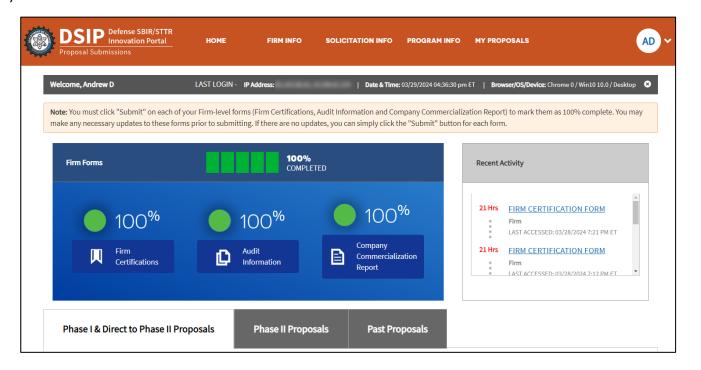
- **3.** After you acknowledge and accept the "Privacy Advisory" and "USG Warning and Consent" you will be redirected to the Login.gov page for DSIP.
 - A. If you already have credentials with Login.gov, enter your credentials and select Sign in.
 - B. If you do not have credentials with Login.gov, create an account with Login.gov by selecting **Create an account**.

Helpful tip: If you do not have a Login.gov account and/or a DSIP account, you can refer to the Registration Job Aid for steps on how to:

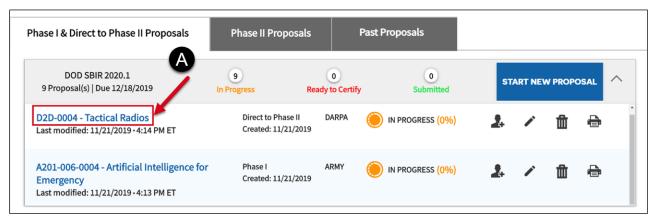
- Complete Login.gov registration
- Complete DSIP registration
- Link your Login.gov account with DSIP



4. After you login through Login.gov, the Submissions Dashboard will appear. **Note:** If you have not linked your Login.gov account with your DSIP account, you will have to complete that before you can access the Submissions Dashboard.

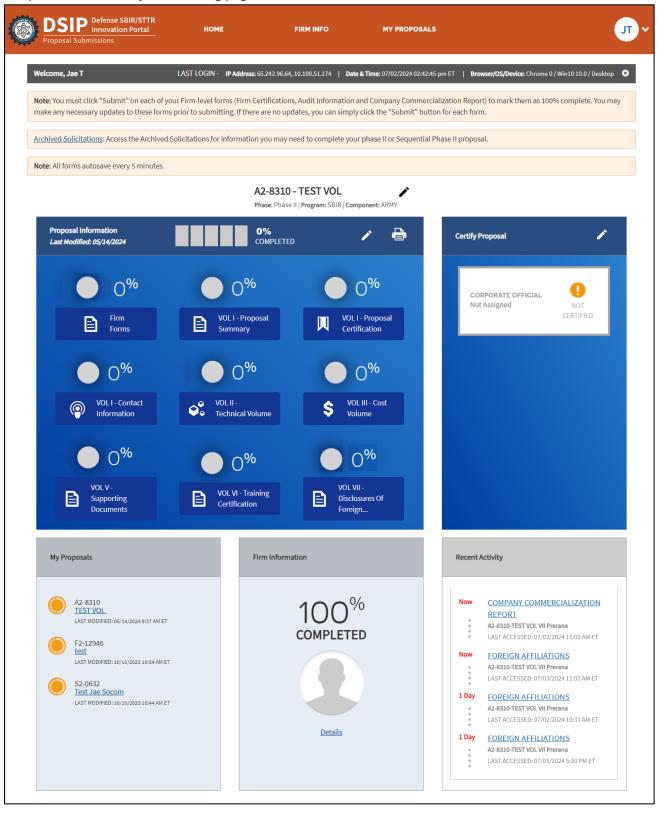


- **5.** There are two ways to access a proposal.
 - A. In the Phase I & Direct to Phase II Proposals or Phase II Proposals tab, find and select your proposal.
 - B. Select a proposal from the **My Proposals** drop-down menu on the top navigation bar.

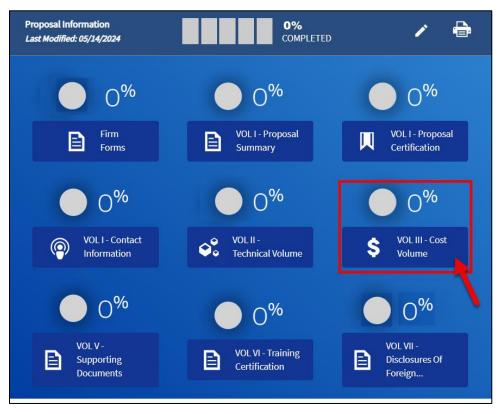




6. Now, you are on the **Proposal Landing** page.



7. Select the VOL III – Cost Volume in the Proposal Information section on the Proposal Landing page.
Note: Depending on the Component and Phase you are submitting a proposal for, Volume III: Cost Volume may differ. This Job Aid will show you the different variations of Volume III: Cost Volume and how to complete each of them.

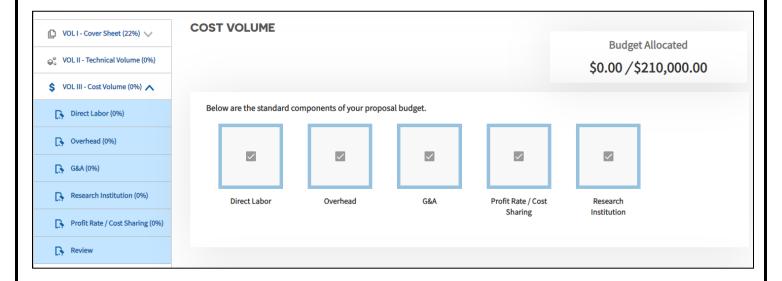


Cost Volume

- **8.** There are four different versions of Cost Volume forms. Depending on the Component and Phase you select, you will see one of the four models. The Cost Volume page has the following information to help you complete the form:
 - A. The details of the proposal show the number and name, phase, program, and component.
 - B. The total progress of the proposal shows on top.
 - C. The highlighted part of the progress tracker shows which volume you are currently on. The percentage shows the completion of VOL III Cost Volume.
 - D. Navigate through the sections of Vol III using the left menu.

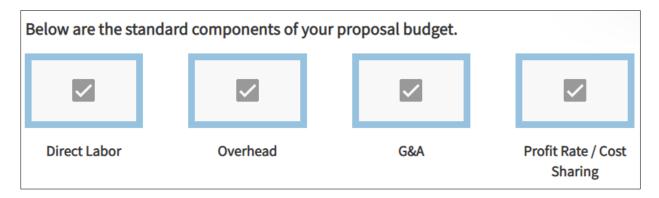


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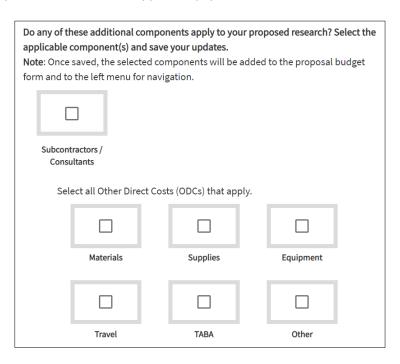


Select Components

9. The first page of the Cost Volume is where you select which components apply to your proposal. This helps to streamline your budget entry process. Once you select your components, the related forms will display, and you will only have to fill out the forms that apply to you. The standard components are pre-selected for you: Direct Labor, Overhead, G&A and Profit Rate/Cost Sharing.



10. Select any additional components that apply to your proposed research. You can select Subcontractors/ Consultants, and any ODCs that apply, such as Materials, Supplies, Equipment, or Travel.



11. Save the page and you will see the selected components appear on the left menu.

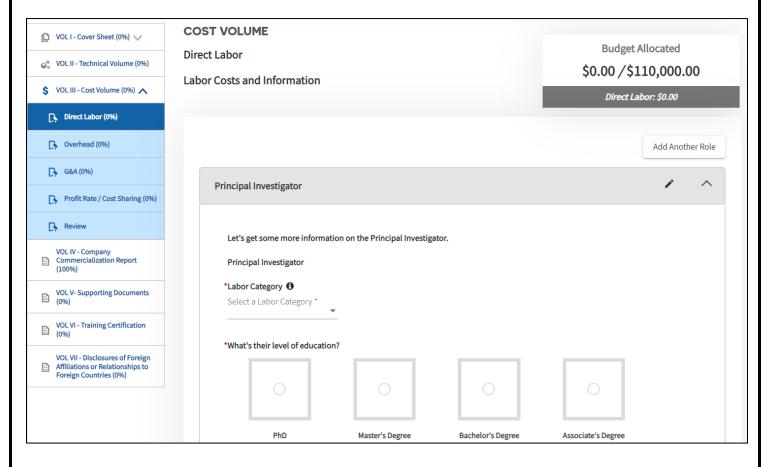


12. Select Save & Continue to move on to the Direct Labor component.

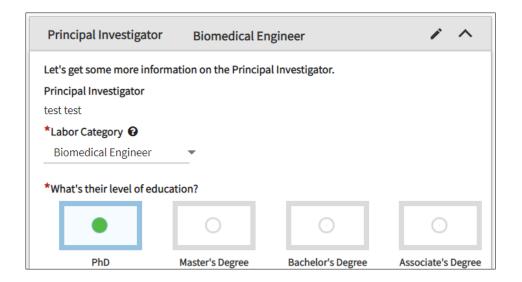


Direct Labor

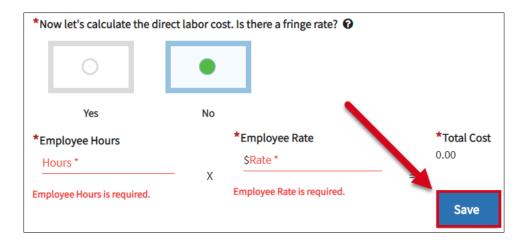
13. The first component is Direct Labor. This is where you enter the labor description and cost for each person who will be working on the proposed research effort.



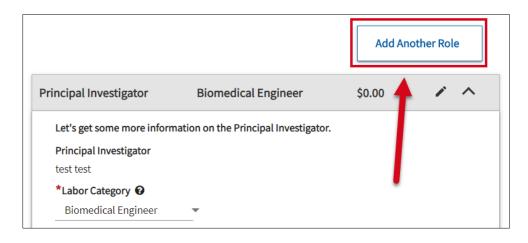
14. Enter the information for the **Principal Investigator**, including their level of education and experience.



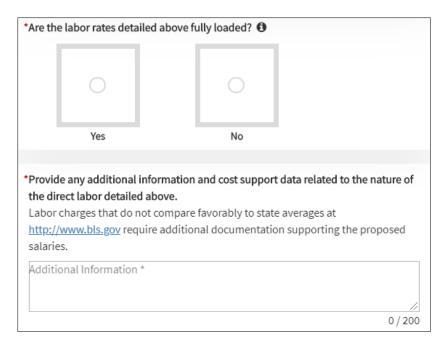
15. Then, calculate their direct labor cost. You can choose to use a fringe rate or not, and the total cost will calculate for you. Make sure to click **Save** to complete your PI information.



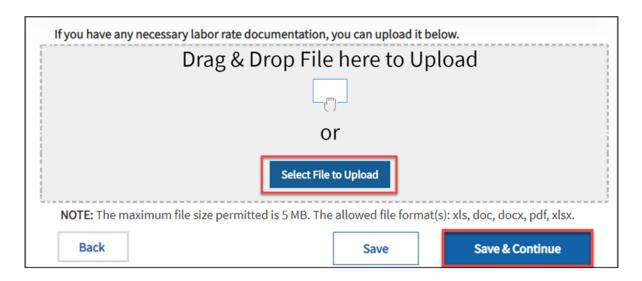
16. If you have other roles to include, you can add them by selecting **Add Another Role**. You can then enter their information and select **Save** when you are done with each role.



17. Answer the question about labor rates, add your explanation, if needed, and add any additional information and cost support data that is related to the nature of the direct labor.

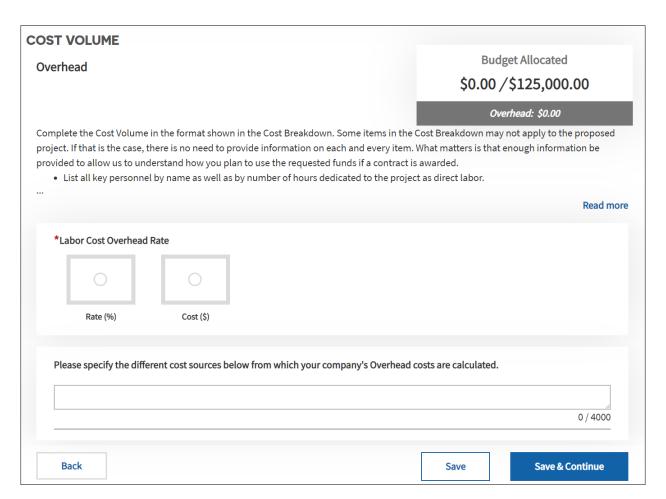


18. To finish the Director Labor section, attach any necessary labor rate documentation and select **Save & Continue** to move to the next section.



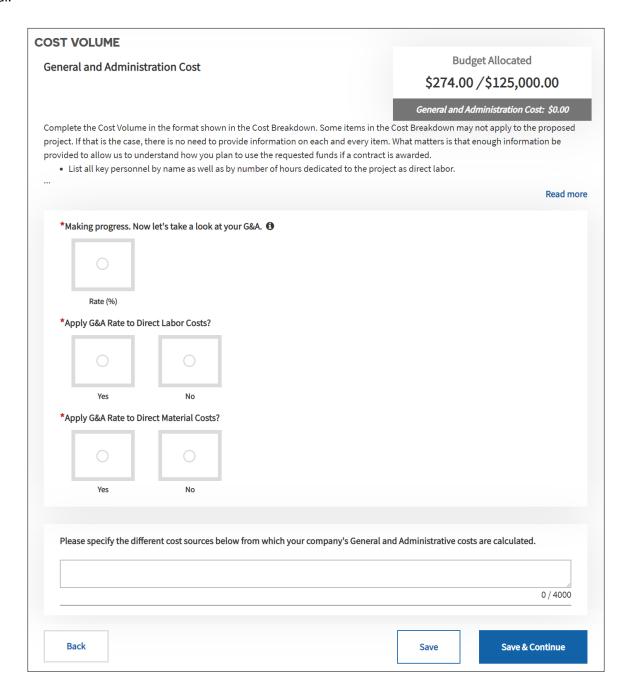
Overhead

19. The next budget form is Overhead, where you specify your current rate and base, using either rates negotiated with the cognizant federal negotiating agency or by providing a number for total estimated overhead costs to execute the project. Possible overhead cost elements include insurance, sick leave and vacation. Click **Save & Continue** to proceed to the next section.



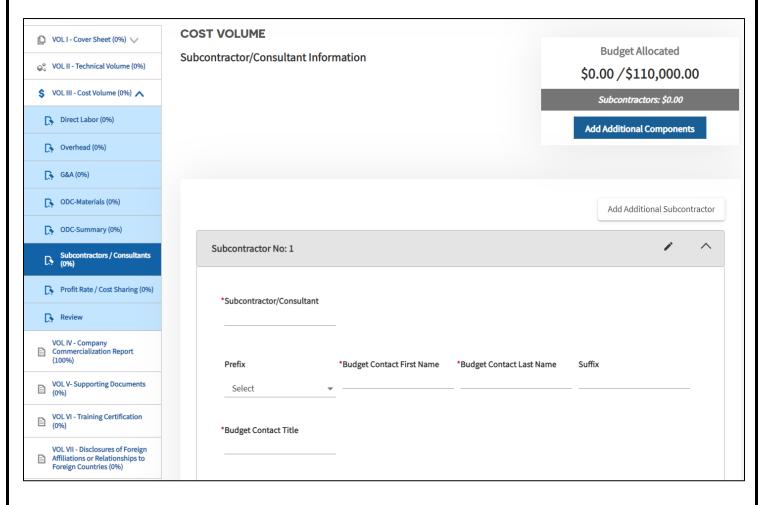
G&A

20. Enter your General and Administration Cost, G&A, such as rent, utilities and management. This page is structured similarly to the Overhead form, so you can choose either rate or cost to enter these expenses and calculate the total.

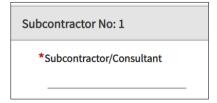


Subcontractors/Consultants

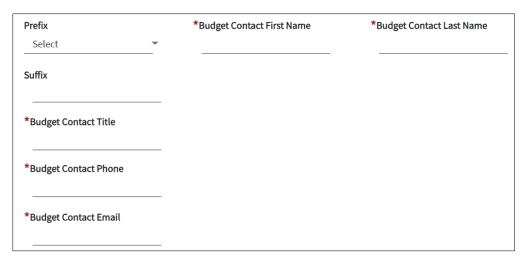
21. The Subcontractors/Consultants section will only be displayed if you selected this component. If you need to update the component(s) you selected, click the **VOL III – Cost Volume** left menu item.



22. Enter the subcontractor information.



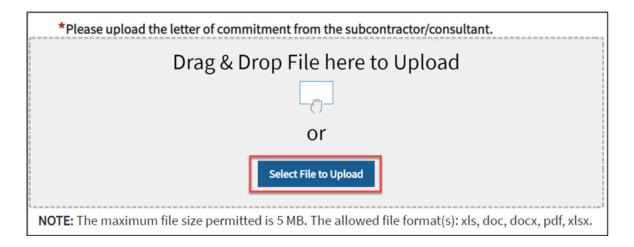
23. Provide a budget contact.



24. Select **Yes** if you have a letter of commitment from the subcontractor/consultant. Select **No** if you do not have a letter of commitment from the subcontractor/consultant.

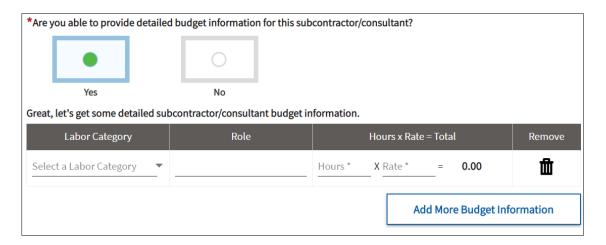


25. If you selected **Yes**, you must upload the letter of commitment from the subcontractor/consultant.

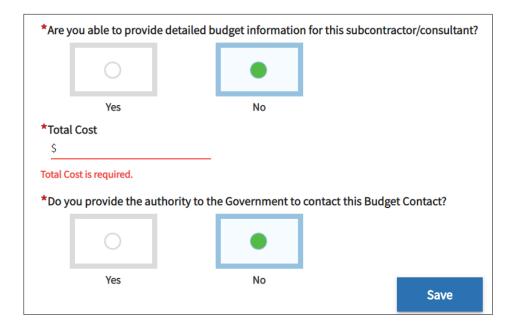


26. Answer the question about whether the G&A rate should include the costs for this subcontractor/consultant.		
* S	should the G&A rate for this proposal's budget include the cost for this subcontractor/consultant?	
	Yes No	
Yes , and yo click Add N	Indiget information for this subcontractor/consultant. If you have the detailed budget information, select but will then see a table where you can add the details, including the labor category, role, and rate. You can More Budget Information to add additional details. Additional Costs for Overhead, G&A, and Profit.	

29. If the subcontractor/consultant has other direct costs, you can add those as well.

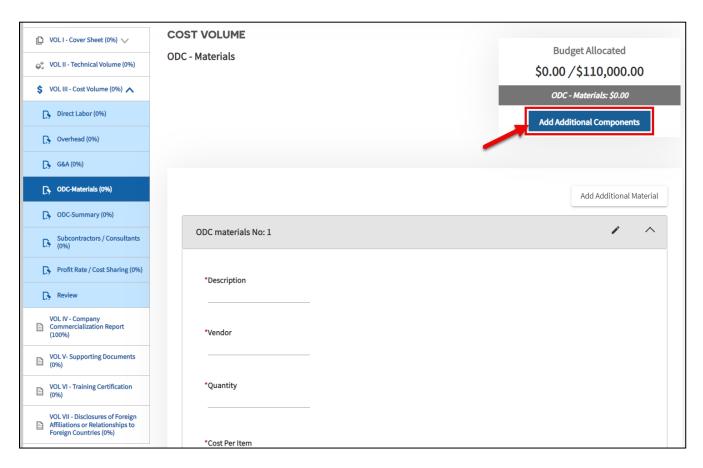


30. If you do not have detailed budget information for the subcontractor/consultant, select **No**, and you can enter the total cost.

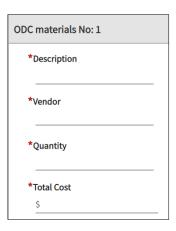


ODCs

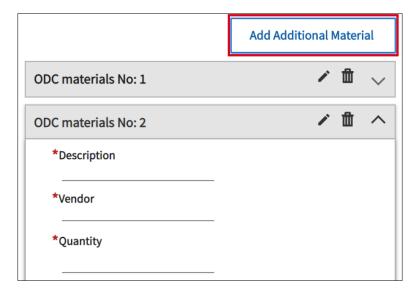
31. The Other Direct Costs forms will only show the ODCs you selected. If you need to add additional components, such as Supplies, that you did not originally select, you can easily do so by clicking Add Additional Components.
Note: This takes you back to the first page of the Cost Volume, where you can select a new component, such as Supplies. Then select Save and you will then see Supplies in the left menu.



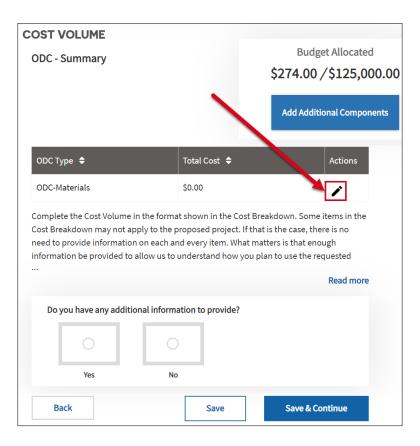
32. For each ODC, fill out the description and answer the questions. There will be tailored questions for some of the ODC components, such as supporting documentation. It is recommended that you provide as much supporting documentation as possible.



33. You can add additional ODC items by clicking Add Additional Material for each type of ODC.

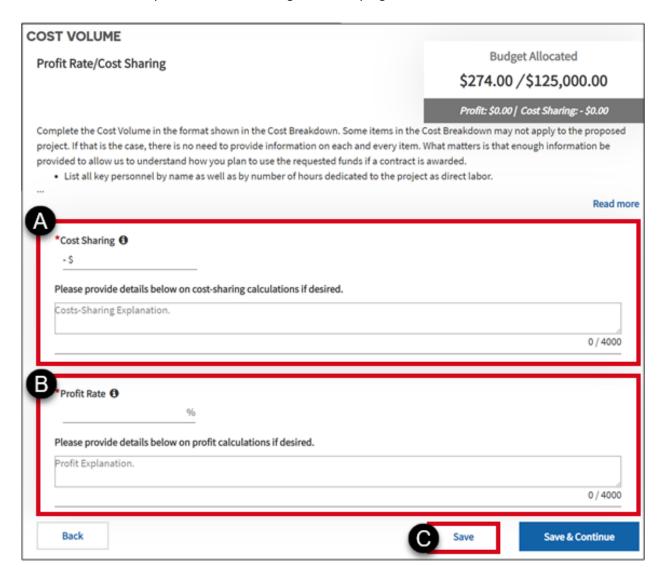


34. The ODC Summary page is where the total costs for your ODCs are listed for your review. Click the edit icon next to the ODC you want to edit, and you will be redirected to the corresponding ODC's page.



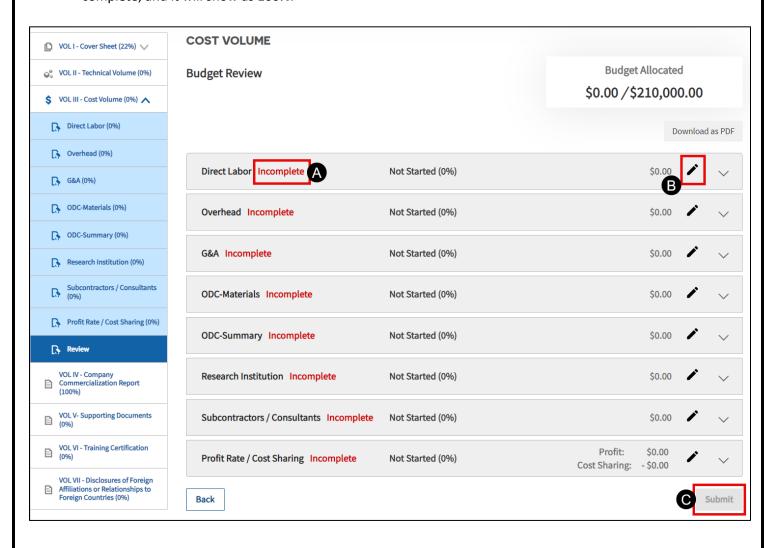
Profit Rate/Cost Sharing

- **35.** Once all your ODCs are completed, the next component is Profit Rate and Cost Sharing.
 - A. Enter the **Cost Sharing**, which is to be subtracted from the total budget.
 - B. Enter the **Profit Rate**, which is to be added to the total budget.
 - C. Click **Save** to see the updated calculated budget in the top right corner.



Review Page

- **36.** On the Review page, you can see your budget components, and the status and total cost for each component. You can also see the Budget Allocated summary at the top.
 - A. If a budget component is incomplete, you will see an incomplete message next to the budget component.
 - B. Click the edit icon for a budget component to make changes.
 - C. Once all components are complete and your budget totals are correct, select **Submit** to mark the Cost Volume complete, and it will show as 100%.



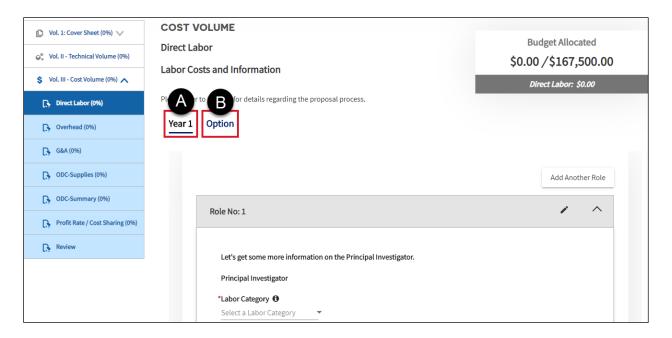
This variation of the Cost Volume is the same as Model 1, except you will be providing budget information for standard components for both the Base Year and Year 2. You can also optionally select Other Direct Costs (or ODCs) that may apply to your proposed research.

- **37.** Follow the steps for Cost Volume Model 1.
 - A. Select the **Base** tab on each form to complete the budget details for the Base Year.
 - B. Select the Year 2 tab on each form to complete the budget details for Year 2.



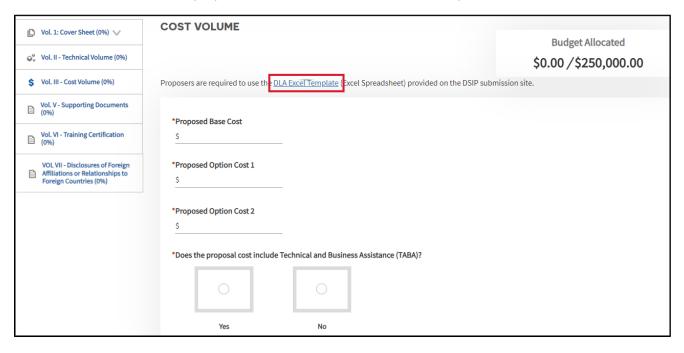
This variation of the Cost Volume is the same as Models 1 and 2, except you will be providing budget information for standard components for both Year 1 and the Option Year. You can also optionally select Other Direct Costs (or ODCs) that may apply to your proposed research.

- **38.** Follow the steps for Cost Volume Model 1.
 - A. Select the Year 1 tab on each form to complete the budget details for the Base Year.
 - B. Select the **Option** tab on each form to complete the budget details for Year 2.

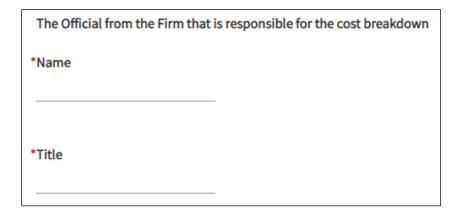


Model 4 of the Cost Volume requires you to use a template (linked in the Cost Volume instructions for the proposal) to provide budget information on your proposed research.

39. Enter the information for the proposed cost. Download the DLA excel template for the Cost Volume.



40. Then, identify the Official from your Firm who is responsible for the cost breakdown.



- **41.** Complete and submit the Cost Volume.
 - A. Upload the completed **Cost Volume Template** by dragging and drop a file or clicking Send File(s) to Upload.
 - B. Check your budget totals are correct.
 - C. Select **Submit** to mark the Cost Volume complete.
 - D. It will show as 100%

