Premise:
Matching funds may be an institutional requirement for consideration of extramural funding.

Evaluation Criteria:
Matching funds requests will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

1. The proposal enhances the quality of our training programs and the diversity of the pool of highly trained junior scientists.
2. The proposal is consistent with the UCDHS strategic plan.
3. The proposal is innovative, collaborative and inter/multi-disciplinary.
4. The program increases the potential for making high-impact discoveries.
5. The PI and associated faculty trainers have demonstrated leadership/teaching/mentorship skills, experience and relevant individual grant support.
6. The requested institutional support maximizes our return on investment and maintains institutional financial stability. (Typically, one institutionally supported trainee, or its financial equivalent in administrative support, for every six to 10 extramurally funded trainees would be a reasonable ratio.)

Procedure for requesting matching funds:

1. Requests for UCDHS support should be directed to the Associate Dean for Research no less than six weeks before a letter of commitment is required. Send requests in writing to the attention of Dr. Ted Wandzilak at MedBridgeAndMatchFunds@ucdavis.edu.
2. UCDHS requests should include:
   a. A copy of the grant RFA or PA, and an abstract of proposal,
   b. List of participating faculty trainers with departmental affiliations, and
   c. A copy of the overall program budget, and a specific match request.
3. When programs involve multiple campus schools or colleges, requests should be forwarded, instead, to the ACCLS (Academic Coordinating Council for Life Sciences) for consideration of a coordinated, multi-college/school match. PI’s should arrange with the College of Biological Sciences Deans Office to schedule a formal presentation to the Council no less than two months before a letter of commitment is required.
4. A UCDHS review committee (unless submitted to the ACCLS) will evaluate the request and make a recommendation for partial or full support.
5. Final support will be approved by the Executive Associate Dean for Research and Education.

Mechanism for funding:

1. An initial internal fund source will be identified by the Dean’s Office.
2. Wherever possible, returned indirect costs will be used to replenish the funding pool.