

# Transplant Foundation, Inc. Donate Organs – Pass it On Research Grant Guidelines

Transplant Foundation supports research projects aimed at developing chimerism in transplant recipients and immune suppressive transplant research related to organ failure diseases in the State of Florida.

## **RESEARCH GRANT**

To be eligible to apply for a TF research grant, an applicant must:

1. Be a professional or faculty member at an appropriate educational, medical or research institution and be qualified to conduct and supervise a program of original research;
2. Have access to institutional resources necessary to conduct the proposed research project; and
3. Hold a Doctor of Medicine, Doctor of Philosophy, Doctor of Science or equivalent degree.

## **DEVELOPMENT GRANT**

TF will consider an application for a research grant from a candidate who may be a member of a research team in the laboratory of a senior investigator under whose guidance the applicant will be given flexibility to conduct a transplant related disease research project.

To be eligible for a Development Grant, an applicant must:

1. Hold a Doctor of Medicine, Doctor of Philosophy, Doctor of Science or equivalent degree;
2. Be a professional member at an appropriate institution;
3. Be qualified to conduct a program of original research;
4. Have an acceptable research plan for a specific disease in Transplant Foundation's program;
5. Have access to institutional resources necessary to conduct the proposed research project; and
6. Have eighteen (18) months of post-doctoral research laboratory training at the time of application.

## **What Transplant Foundation does NOT fund:**

Transplant Foundation only supports US organizations with 501(c)(3) tax exempt status. We do not consider proposals that support individuals, capital expenditures, endowments, scholarships, general operating expenses, or deficit reduction.

## **Tenure**

Awards are for either one, two or three years for all grant types.

## **Awards**

Funding levels for primary Research Grants are unlimited. Development grants are a maximum of \$45,000 per year. Overhead is limited to a maximum of 10% percent of direct costs to be included in the total amount of the grant request.

## Research Grant Application Process

### Inquiry Stage

We ask that applicants write a two- to three-page letter of inquiry describing their proposed project. The letter should summarize the project's goals and target audience, its fit with Transplant Foundation's objectives, an estimated budget and timeframe, and plans for evaluation and dissemination of results. Foundation staff responds to each letter of inquiry, and, if appropriate, invite a full proposal. Submit letters of inquiry to:

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Phone 305.816.5645 Fax: 305. 541.-6500

E-mail: [ecompton@med.miami.edu](mailto:ecompton@med.miami.edu)

We encourage you to submit letters of inquiry and full proposals by mailing a hard copy. Please include full contact information.

### Proposal Stage

Please ensure that full proposals include the following items:

1. Full contact information: organization name, address, phone, fax; email, and website as appropriate
2. Executive summary (1-2 pages)
3. Statement of need for the proposed project
4. Description of the project and rationale for its approach
5. Work plan with a timeline and staffing plan
6. Expected outcomes, benchmarks, products, and long-term impact
7. Evaluation plan
8. Plans for disseminating the product or communicating lessons learned to key constituencies
9. Brief description of the applicant organization and staff qualifications, including past performance on similar projects
10. Project budget (showing committed and anticipated funds)
11. Organization's current operating budget
12. List of board members and/or advisors
13. Letters of support from the board and collaborating organizations
14. Copy of I.R.S. tax-exempt certification

Share your dream. Tell us the long-term as well as short-term results you envision. If you are successful, what ripple effects might this project have? Describe a plausible chain of events that would lead to an important difference for large numbers of individuals.

### Deadlines

**Letter of Inquiry: January 31<sup>st</sup>**

**Full Proposal: March 31<sup>st</sup>**

**The Transplant Foundation Advisory Board will meet in April and you shall be notified by May 31<sup>st</sup>.**