

CHARITABLE GRANTS



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

Is there a limit to the length of the LOI?

No, include as much information as you deem necessary to explain your institution and plan for AYA program and/or facility development.

Can I apply for funding if I do not represent a hospital?

No, we are providing funds for hospitals developing their programs and facilities for those with cancer that treat the AYA population.

Can I revise my LOI or proposal submission for this round of submissions?

No, if you need to add or change information, please contact us. We reserve the right to decline, without review, proposals missing required information or supporting documentation.

How will I know that you received my application?

After you send the LOI or proposal to alec@teencanceramerica.org you will receive an email confirmation.

What if we do not have space for a facility or what if we would like to target the AYA program development first?

TCA understands that physical space within the hospital and/or clinics can be challenging to find. It is important to bring AYAs together with a shared experience. "Space" is one way of accomplishing this. Space can be encompassed in a hospital setting, out-patient clinic, infusion center, etc. However, we also recognize that physical space may not be feasible at an institution. In that case, we encourage your program to consider peer-to-peer connections in other ways such as through social gatherings, clinic scheduling, and referrals to outside organizations.

How much funding is typically awarded for institutions that request TCA support for clinical/social space?

We base our grants on the individual need of each program and facility. If we are not able to fund your grant in full we will work with your hospital development team to create a strategy to help your institution get closer to the amount you need. Use this opportunity to make TCA aware of your overall plans for the program, space, and project needs. In the past we've funded staff for 2-3 years with a plan for the hospital to make the position self-sustainable. We've also funded AYA space refresh and new builds.

Should we plan for the proposal budget to cover the cost of program personnels' salaries for consecutive years?

Yes, when supporting salaries in the past we've always done them for a set period of time while encouraging your team and working with your development to find ways to sustain the position after the final grant payment has been made. Make sure to emphasize on how your team will ensure the position is self-sustainable.

What does it mean to have an established consultation relationship with TCA?

TCA requires that all applicants have completed our consultation process and related strategy documents. This process usually takes at least 6 months to complete.

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Will you fund projects outside of the United States?

No, TCA will not fund projects outside of the United States at this time. Instead, we develop projects directly with targeted non-profit organizations.

Will you support research grants?

No, at this time we are not awarding grants for research studies.

If I'm not selected for the grant this round can I apply again?

Yes, you can reapply, but you must engage with the TCA team for consultation before submitting your application for reconsideration. We'd like to provide feedback on your application and work with you to create a plan to better position your proposal in the next round.

Is match funding a requirement to receive a grant award?

No it is not. However, a long-term sustainability plan is. TCA does prioritize grant applications willing to commit to sustaining a position for at least 3 years after our grant disbursements have been fully executed.

What are indirect costs?

These are overhead expenses that relate to overall operations/administration or are shared amount projects and/or functions. Examples of indirect costs can include grant management, operational expenses, fringe benefits, legal services, insurance, etc. **Teen Cancer America does not fund indirect costs.** When applying for a grant with TCA you agree that these will not be requested from your institution.

Do you have any other limits to the grant requests?

TCA offers priority to funding program managers and or patient/nurse navigators for the development of comprehensive programs and facilities, but are open to discussion in other areas. We do, however, require the work to be within the AYA age range and that there is collaboration between pediatric and adult oncology.

Who is on the Teen Cancer America Grant Advisory Committee?

TCA's Grant Advisory Committee is made up of a mix of TCA Board members and a peer review team of AYA physicians and allied health professionals from around the country that rotates yearly.

How can I be a part of the Teen Cancer America Grant Advisory Committee?

If you are interested in being a part of the committee please let us know. All Peer-Review Grant Committee members will be asked to step down from the committee should their institution want to submit for a grant during their term. Serving on the committee is a one cycle commitment.

For more information contact: alec@teencanceramerica.org