

2010 Grant Proposal Announcement

Applications are now being accepted for 2010 grant awards.

Deadline: Applications must be received electronically by Thursday, December 31, 2009.

Eligible Applicants: Faculty veterinarians, post-doctoral fellows or veterinary students in universities accredited by their respective government.

Funding Criteria: TIFF will award grants based on the following criteria: scientific merit, value to cats, clinical relevancy, soundness of budget and humane considerations to any cats involved in the project.

Grant Amount: The maximum grant amount is \$7,500.00. Proposals that are longer than one year or totals more than \$7,500.00 will NOT be considered.

Types of Studies: Studies applicable to all cats are encouraged. TIFF is also interested in projects that address problems unique to individual breeds.

Announcement Date: TIFF will announce awards no later than February 28, 2010.

Funding Date: TIFF will fund the 2010 project(s) on or before April 1, 2010.

Application Instructions: To apply for a TIFF grant, submit an electronic proposal in MS Word or PDF to: award@theinternationalfelinefoundation.com no later than Wednesday, December 31, 2009.

Application Contents:

- 1) Cover page — to include project title, the name of the institution; name, affiliation, email and regular mailing address of all investigators; the amount requested; and signatures of the principal investigator and appropriate grant administrator(s).
- 2) Two (2) abstracts (no more than 250 words each):

- Scientific abstract for veterinary journals describing purpose of the study, the background and pertinent literature references;
- Abstract in simple, non-technical language for use in TIFF press releases to the cat fancy and the general public.

- 3) Narrative — of the planned project, including background, goals and measurable objectives, study design, expectations for results, methods of analysis, and estimate of time to complete the work. (*maximum 5 pages*). It must demonstrate its relevance and benefit to domestic cats.
- 4) Project Budget — Provide a detailed breakdown of projected expenses. Note: TIFF does not fund salaries of principal investigators, major equipment expenditures, travel, or indirect costs. Include a list of any current source of funding and/or related grants.
- 5) Curriculum Vitae — of each project investigator, along with their role in the project, and an estimate of how much time each will be spent on this project. (*maximum 2 pages each*)
- 6) If applicable, a description of the facility's animal care unit including certifications held and plans for the care and maintenance of the animals during and after the study. (*maximum 1 page*)
- 7) Organization Background — mission, major activities and credentials for carrying out the project.
- 8) Conclusion — brief statement of long-term benefit.

Other Project Requirements: Institutions receiving a TIFF award are required to give credit to The International Feline Foundation as the funding source in any presentation or publication arising from this research. Copies of all publications arising from this project are to be submitted to the Foundation on or before the time of publication.

A progress report is required half-way through the project with a final report due within one (1) year following grant award. All reports are to be comprehensive reviews of the work to date.

Founded in 1995, The International Feline Foundation is a non-profit organization that promotes, supports and encourages scientific research programs for the benefit of domestic cats through funding grant projects related to feline diseases and health.

Questions regarding the 2010 Grant Proposal process should be directed to:
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