

Faculty Charitable Grant Submission Process for TAMU-CC

Purpose: The purpose of this document is to clarify the grant application process by Faculty for external funding requests to charitable foundations for non-research purposes.

Roles:

- *Faculty Contact:* any member of the TAMU-CC faculty working directly on the project/program who is familiar with details and will act as the primary faculty contact.
- *Foundation and Corporate Relations (FCR) Officer:* responsible for identifying, cultivating, soliciting, and stewarding gifts and partnerships between the University and external Organizations that further the imperatives outlined in the University's strategic plan.
- *Institutional Advancement (IA) representative:* any IA personnel who may act or make decisions on behalf of the FCR Officer.

Request for Approval:

- Faculty Contact will identify project/program and funding needs associated with that effort.
 - Will need to include dates, community served, amount needed, and overall vision.
 - Faculty Contact will be required to create a budget and be able to report on expenses.
 - Faculty Contact must have the Dean's approval to proceed with application and/or verify the project/program is explicitly addressed in the College's development plan.
 - Furthermore, the Faculty Contact and the FCR Officer are responsible for obtaining proper approvals.

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- Faculty Contact will identify potential funding sources for proposed program/project.
 - Faculty Contact will submit list to FCR Officer for review and approval
 - Faculty Contact must provide FCR Officer with project/program dates, community served, amount requested, and overall vision.
- FCR Officer will review list of foundations submitted by Faculty Contact.
 - FCR Officer or IA representative will review all requests and has approving authority for all submission requests.
 - If a request is denied, the FCR Officer will explain the reason to the applicant and, if possible, assist with an alternate prospect.
 - Foundations will be eliminated if found to be a prospect for another University effort (i.e. considered "spoken for").
 - FCR Officer will verify the following:
 - Compatibility
 - Dates
 - Submission Requirements (including TAM-CC Foundation approval)

- FCR Officer will confirm project/program is in the College's development plan or faculty contact has received approval from the Dean.
- FCR Officer will coordinate with TAM-CC Foundation as needed for written consent to apply and to obtain tax and financial information.

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- FCR Officer will review program/project information and provide feedback to Faculty Contact.

Application and Submission:

- FCR Officer will serve as primary contact for TAMU-CC and will be responsible for notifying the Faculty Contact upon:
 - Submission of the application
 - Notice of funding decision from the organization
 - Approving, signing, and fulfilling any grant/grift agreements
 - Notifying Faculty Contact of any reporting requirements and coordinating efforts to submit report
 - Any additional stewardship that would need to be fulfilled on behalf of TAMU-CC.
- Faculty Contact will prepare all content for submission regarding their respective request and ensure application deadlines are met.
 - Faculty Contact is responsible for meeting Foundation application deadlines and providing the FCR Officer ample time to review and provide feedback.
 - Faculty Contact will prepare a draft of the application, including the project/program title, request amount, project/program description, and budget.
 - It is not the responsibility of the FCR Officer to ensure that the preparation of grant applications is performed per foundation deadlines.

ONLY the FCR Officer or IA representative will submit a grant application on behalf of the Texas A&M Foundation, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, and all TAMU-CC affiliated departments, agencies, groups, and programs.

- Once final application is submitted to FCR Officer, FCR Officer will enact due diligence to submit application before Foundation application due date.
- FCR Officer will maintain record of solicitation including documentation of request and gift stewardship.

Funds Awarded:

- Handling of funds will remain with the FCR Officer and the Office of Institutional Advancement.
- FCR Officer will notify Faculty Contact of any award letters and notice of funds awarded.
 - A copy of the award agreement can and will be provided as necessary.
- FCR Officer will be responsible for any requirements regarding the award agreement including signatures and make note of any important details and dates provided for reporting.

Reporting and Stewardship:

- Faculty Contact must designate a contact upon:
 - Semester ending mid-grant cycle
 - Departure occurring mid-grant cycle
 - Program/project does not coincide with semester
- Faculty Contact will be responsible for knowledge of any dates for submitting reports.
- Faculty Contact will be responsible for communicating deadlines to submit reports to the FCR Officer.
- Faculty Contact will be responsible for providing necessary information for reports.
- FCR Officer will be responsible for submitting all required reports.
 - Faculty Contact may be required to provide information as needed and if available.
- FCR Officer will perform all normal stewardship requirements for foundation outreach and engagement as the office of IA determines necessary.

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