

2010 Funding Opportunities

The Life Technologies Foundation is committed to strengthening the pipeline of future life scientists. This year the Foundation will accept applications for a grant which fall into the following focus areas*:

Public Policy. Grants which seek to improve life. Example includes: 2009 award to the University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth for a global humanitarian effort to utilize DNA for human identity testing to reunite missing and abducted children with their parents and to help deter trafficking of children.

Advancing Science. Grants which seek to advance evolving scientific discovery. Example includes: 2009 award to the New York Academy of Science for educational and clinical training of physicians in new technologies.

Setting the Stage for Science. Grants which implement novel science teaching methods and/or promote selection of science as a career option. Example includes: 2009 award to the E.O. Wilson Biodiversity Foundation for development of an online biology training program designed to replace outdated biology textbooks.

*Note that the Foundation does not fund scientific research (please refer to www.lifetech.com/foundation “List of Ineligible Entities” for a list of programs that will not be funded).

Local organizations within communities where Life Technologies has a presence are encouraged to apply. “Local” is defined as within a 50 mile radius of a Life Technologies owned or leased facility.

Step 1:

Statement of Interest/Quad Chart

Prior to submitting a full proposal, a Quad Chart (see link on this webpage to download the Quad Chart form) describing the overall concept of the proposed grant is required. Submit the Quad Chart and a one page transmittal letter on the organization’s letterhead to Foundation@lifetechnologies.com. Submissions may not exceed the one page Quad Chart. Attachments or addendums will not be reviewed. All Quad Charts must be submitted via transmittal letter signed by the President or Executive Director of the organization.

Submissions will be reviewed and if found to be within interest to the Foundation, the organization will be invited to submit a full proposal.

Step 2 (Upon written invitation, and only after submission of Step 1):

Proposal Stage

Please provide electronic copies of the Grant Application (see link on this webpage to download the Grant Application) and requested materials. Each document should be saved as a separate file. All files should be saved as a pdf or zipped file and sent to Foundation@lifetechnologies.com. The following information must be included in your application packet or it may be rejected:

- 1) Original (or updated, if applicable) Quad Chart
- 2) Life Technologies Foundation Grant Application
- 3) Brief overview/history of the organization
- 4) Program or project description for which the grant is being sought. Clearly describe how the Life Technologies™ Foundation's funding will benefit the community or constituencies served.
- 5) A copy of your organization's 501(c)3 I.R.S. letter of determination
- 6) A list of board members and their affiliations
- 7) Program or project budget with line item detail
- 8) A copy of your most recent 990 and independent audit

Please do not submit books, DVDs, CDs or videos as these materials will not be reviewed nor returned.

Depending on the project, multiple grant awards may be considered. Life Technologies Foundation reserves the right to award multiple or no grants resulting from this solicitation.

Thank you for your interest in the Life Technologies Foundation.