REQUEST FOR LETTERS OF INTENT
The Honorable Tina Brozman Foundation for Ovarian Cancer Research
Consortium Grant
2018-2020

Purpose

The Honorable Tina Brozman Foundation (“Tina’s Wish”) is requesting Letters of Intent (LOI) for the Tina’s Wish Consortium Grant for 2018-20. Tina’s Wish funds researchers proposing new ideas for the early detection or prevention of ovarian cancer. Tina’s Wish believes firmly in the power of collaboration. We established the Tina Brozman Ovarian Cancer Research Consortium, the Tina’s Wish Consortium, to bring together research institutions to collaborate and work together on the early detection and prevention of this disease. The Tina’s Wish Consortium is launching its second consortium grant to support such efforts.

Eligibility and Selection Criteria

1. Applicants must be working in a school of medicine or public health, or a recognized non-profit scientific research facility in the United States.
2. The research project for which support is requested should be innovative and not currently funded.
3. Applicants must have attained an academic position of Assistant Professor or higher (or equivalent).
4. Projects can be designed as one collaborative project or multiple related projects.
5. At least one part of the proposed project must be novel and not previously funded.
6. Applications must be from a minimum of three different research institutions and two of the PIs cannot have previously shared funding. There is no limit on the number of project PIs but one PI must be designated as the primary contact. An institution is defined as the independent recipient of NIH funds. If multiple institutions all share the same grant office and receive NIH funding as one entity, then the entity would be considered as one.

Funding

1. Three-year grant.
2. The award’s annual total costs of $300,000 are inclusive of indirect costs, which should not exceed 10%. Funding will be made directly to each institution according to the submitted budget, which should be proportional to the planned work at each research site.
3. The second and third year of funding is contingent on adequate progress made during the first and second year of funding respectively.

Selection Process

1. The Tina’s Wish Scientific Advisory Board will review LOIs; additional reviewers may be used, as needed. A subset of the submitted LOIs will be selected and asked to submit a full proposal.
2. Reviewers will look favorably at projects that involve close collaboration among all the investigators.

Timeline

1. LOI application deadline: April 3, 2017 at noon Eastern time zone.
2. All applicants will be notified of their status by May 15, 2017. A subset of the LOIs will be asked to submit full proposals, due on or before July 1, 2017.
3. Announcement of the 2018-20 grant will be made in November, 2017. Written critiques will not be provided to unsuccessful applicants.
4. Funding will begin in January, 2018.
Consortium Grant Letter of Intent: Submission & Content

1. **Cover Page: Contact Information for each Institution**

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*Type of Institution: Educational Institution, Not-for-Profit Research Center, Other (please describe)

2. **Proposal Summary** is limited to **800 words** and should include:
   a. **Title of proposal**
   b. **Proposed Research**: briefly describe the specific aims and importance of the proposed research.
   c. **Innovation**: briefly describe how the proposed research is innovative in the context of early detection or prevention of ovarian cancer.
   d. **Impact**: briefly describe how the proposed research findings could impact a critical problem or question in early detection or prevention of ovarian cancer research.
   e. **Collaboration**: briefly describe the value of bringing together the proposed institutions and researchers into a consortium and how this will add value to the proposed project. Please describe the unique talents of each participant and the synergies to be gained by working collaboratively.

3. **NIH biosketch** for each of the PIs and co-PIs.

4. Numbers 1-3 above should be submitted as one pdf document.

5. **Note**: The **excel cover sheet** should be submitted as a separate attachment.

6. **LOI Submission**: All LOIs should be submitted on or before **April 3, 2017 at noon ET** to Beverly Wolfer, Executive Director, bwolfer@tinaswish.org. An email will confirm receipt of the LOI.

7. Those investigators invited to submit full proposals will be given submission instructions at that time. Full proposals can only be submitted by invitation. Full proposals will be limited to ten (10) pages.

8. **Questions**: Please contact Beverly Wolfer, Executive Director, bwolfer@tinaswish.org or 212.880.5757.
About Tina’s Wish

Tina’s Wish is dedicated to funding groundbreaking scientific research for the early detection and prevention of ovarian cancer. **Know Early. Know Hope.**® This is our mission. Since 2008, we have become the third largest private funding source for early detection ovarian cancer research. In addition, Tina’s Wish established the Tina Brozman Ovarian Cancer Research Consortium, the Tina’s Wish Consortium, bringing together scientists from eight world-class institutions that are developing innovative prevention and diagnostic strategies.

Tina’s Wish was founded in memory of Tina Brozman, a mother, wife and daughter, an innovative jurist, a superb lawyer and a mentor to many. Tina passed away from ovarian cancer in 2007 after a two-year battle with the disease.

For more information, visit our website at [www.tinaswish.org](http://www.tinaswish.org)