

The Three Hearts Foundation Hayden Gives Hope Grant Application

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APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS & GUIDELINES

Thank you for applying for a financial assistance grant through the Three Hearts Foundation, the Hayden Gives Hope grant.

The Three Hearts Foundation is dedicated to raising awareness of infertility and assisting with the removal of financial barriers by providing a grant for couples who require fertility treatments in hopes of starting their own family.

The Three Hearts Foundation was founded in January of 2020 after Nathan and Katie Tidwell experienced their own struggles with infertility, ultimately leading them through IVF, giving them their daughter Hayden, and two other embryos to freeze. Knowing the high cost of treatment and medications, Nathan and Katie understood that finances could prevent deserving couples from starting a family of their own. They believe that their own infertility struggles gave them ambition and hope of giving the same chance to others in order to start their own family.

The Hayden Gives Hope grant is a need-based financial assistance grant for infertile couples who are struggling to pay the high cost of future out-of-pocket IVF treatment not covered by health insurance. Applicants must be current patients of a fertility clinic with a diagnosis of infertility, and have not yet started treatment for which they are seeking funding for (i.e. previous fertility treatments completed prior to being awarded will not be reimbursed or covered with grant funds) and be legal permanent residents in the state of Missouri, United States, age 18 or older.

The Hayden Gives Hope grant will be distributed once yearly, or as funds allow. The number of applicants funded, as well as the amount of funding, depends on the success of the Three Hearts Foundation fundraising activities (i.e. the more funds we raise, the more grants we can distribute). As much as we would love to fund all applicants, we do not have the funds to do so.

Applicants may use the fertility clinic that they are already established as patients with. All application documents must be submitted through mail or email, including physician clinic document which must be sent from the clinic, not from applicants. Please inform your fertility clinic and reproductive endocrinologist that you are applying for a grant through our organization. Any physician documentation forms received from applicant will be considered incomplete and will not be considered for review.

Please note that the application will require personal and private information to be disclosed. We understand that this can be difficult to disclose, however please know that any personal information, including but not limited to names, address, and contact information of applicants will not be disclosed to the Board of Trustees committee reviewing and voting on the recipients of this grant.

*Applicants must provide contact information within the application for the surprise grant reveal. See CONSENT portion of application.

Additionally, please review the following application guidelines:

The application must be filled out completely and truthfully in order to be considered.
Applications missing any information or attachments will not be considered for review and will

be withdrawn. Please download the checklist form for help completing all portions of the application.

- Grant funding will be based on the dollar amount of the treatment(s) needed with input from fertility clinic. The maximum grant amount is \$15,000 per couple.
- Grant funding can only be used any treatments or services not yet received from your fertility clinic. Funds cannot be used towards any treatments that have already begun prior to being awarded the grant. Grant funds are dispensed directly to your fertility clinic and not to the couple applying for the grant.
- Grant funding can only be used for the following treatments/services related to infertility treatment: single cycle IVF with embryo storage up to one year. Note that grant funding does not cover multi-cycle IVF packages. This will be verified with the fertility clinic prior to funds being disbursed.
- Grant funding is only for couples who are legal permanent residents of the United States, age 18 or older, with documented infertility through an accredited fertility clinic.
- If the grant recipient does not use the full amount of funds provided, the additional funds remaining will be returned to the Three Hearts Foundation Hayden Gives Hope grant for future disbursements to additional in-need couples.
- Grant funding must be used within 6 months of the date of distribution unless approved by the Three Hearts Foundation. Any funds not used will be returned to the Three Hearts Foundation Hayden Gives Hope grant for future disbursements to additional in-need couples.
- Grant recipients are asked to stay connected and participate in fundraising activities through the Three Hearts Foundation to allow us to grow and continue providing support to families to have their little miracles.
- Any changes in fertility, family status or contact information that may occur following the application submission should be reported to the Three Hearts Foundation immediately. Failure to do so may result in forfeiture of the grant funds.
- If you submit an application and do not receive a grant, you may submit a new application each year following as funding allows. Applications are not saved and must be resubmitted each round.
- Completed applications should be submitted through email to threeheartsfoundation@yahoo.com for review. Deadline for application acceptance will be at 11:59pm on Saturday December 31, 2023.

All applications submitted are reviewed for accuracy by the Three Hearts Foundation Board of Trustees committee with your fertility clinic. Once applications have been verified, the Three Hearts Foundation Board of Trustees committee will be responsible for final review of all completed applications and will make the decision as to who will receive funding. All applications are anonymous to the Board of Trustees committee (i.e. no personal information such as name, address, and contact information will be released to them for decision making purposes). All completed applications are reviewed and considered regardless of race, religion, ethnicity or nationality, age, or sexual orientation.

All information provided in this application is considered confidential and will not be shared with any agency or person outside of the Three Hearts Foundation Board of Trustees committee and your fertility clinic.

If you have any questions about the application process, please do not hesitate to contact to the Three Hearts Foundation at <u>threeheartsfoundation@yahoo.com</u>.