3.12 The Eric Berne Fund for the Future

Background, Criteria, Guidelines for Making Application

In 1983, The Eric Berne Fund for the Future (EBFF) was created by the ITAA Board of Trustees "to establish into perpetuity, funds for the sponsoring of research, the promotion and use of Transactional Analysis, building worldwide unity and supporting professional standards."

3.12a General Information

I. Grant applicants may be individuals or organizations, both not-for-profit and for-profit (special royalty or profit-sharing agreements may be required from for-profits).
II. Priority is given to proposals which demonstrate an interest in the evaluation of the effectiveness of various applications of transactional analysis theory.
III. Priority is given to those applicants who are current members of the ITAA .
IV. The amount of the award is determined by: the total amount of monies available within the Fund per fiscal year, the amount of money already distributed and the specific amount of money requested in each proposal.
V. Funds will not be given for: - general operating budgets and administrative expenses; capital or building funds; personal financial assistance.

3.12b Specific Questions in Determining the Appropriate Use of Transactional Analysis

I. How does the applicant's program extend communication regarding the use of established principles of transactional analysis to places, persons and institutions that might otherwise be untouched by TA? Or
II. How does the applicant's program support research in transactional analysis theory or practices, including clinical, educational and organizational uses? Or
III. How does the applicant's program support the development of measurable professional standards or competency for the practitioners of TA in various settings? Or
IV. How does the applicant's program extend the impact of TA into a new area or build a bridge between transactional analysis and other disciplines?

3.12c Remaining Defining Questions

i. What is the educational or philosophical merit of the applicant's program?

ii. What is unique about the organization or the applicant's program?

iii. How will ethical, fiscal and administrative responsibility be assured?

3.12d Suggestions for Making application

While there is not a formal grant application form, the following guidelines should be helpful in preparing a document for submission:

i. Precede the main body of the proposal with a cover letter with all demographics, title of the proposal and amount requested.

ii. Begin the main body of the proposal with the Title of the Project.

iii. List amount seeking with detailed budget.

iv. What need or problem will be met by the actions for which the funds are requested?

v. Include a specific statement of program objectives with expected outcomes

vi. Which population(s) would be included or would benefit?

vii. Include a brief timetable for the program.

viii. Identify with Names, qualifications and experience of persons who would be involved.

ix. A statement of how and when the success of the program might be measured.

x. Who else will be contributing funds?

xi. Anything else you deem important to showcase your endeavor.

xii. Contact the ITAA office with any questions

3.12e Proposals:

Proposals are mailed or emailed to the ITAA office. They will be reviewed and voted upon by the EBFF Committee and presented to the Board of Trustees of the ITAA for approval. Applicants will be notified of the result by the chair of the EBFF.

3.13 SCHOLARSHIP GRANT FUND

3.13a Purpose Statement

The Scholarship Grant Fund (SGF) was created by the ITAA Board of Trustees to provide training in transactional analysis for members with limited financial means and a commitment to become certified.

Grants may be considered for the following purposes:

I. Training in transactional analysis, including training fees, tuition for ongoing training programs or selected workshops, contract filing and examination fees.
II. Attending an ITAA conference, but limited to conference registration fees. Grants are not granted for travel expenses and room and board.
III. Waiver of ITAA dues due to hardship.
IV. An ITAA committee and/or board need that will benefit a reasonable portion of the membership of the ITAA.

3.13b General Guidelines

I. Grants are available to any ITAA member in any country. However, a grant for dues may be given to a student non-member in order to join the ITAA. Except for a dues grant, an applicant must have been a member of the ITAA for one year prior to making an application.
II. Candidates for grants must complete applications and demonstrate economic need and the training supervisor must authorize this need in writing.
III. A grant will be considered for anyone demonstrating substantial financial need.
IV. Funds may not be used for college or university study.
V. The amount of funds available for distribution by the SGF in any given year shall be set by the SGF committee and the Treasurer of the ITAA.

3.13 d Training Grants

I. Students may apply for grants at any time during the year.

II. The maximum grant to a candidate over a three-year period is $3,600.
III. Upon approval of a grant, monies are allocated at the rate of $1,200 per year.
IV. ITAA advanced members serving as supervisors are expected, if feasible, to make economic adjustments in training fees and charges to those in need to supplement the ITAA Scholarship Grant Fund and to promote the ITAA as an organization to the applicant.

3.13e ITAA Conference/Dues Grants

I. Applicants for conference monies must apply for their grant at least three (3) months prior to the ITAA conference.
II. If a student who is a non-member applies for a dues grant, the dues grant may be given for up to three (3) years. However, the third year may be given for a maximum of 50% of the member's dues.

3.13f Procedures For Individuals

I. The application process for grants involves the completion and return of form(s) available on the ITAA web site or from the ITAA office. The form(s) include questions regarding the applicant's financail need.
II. The SGF committee reviews grant applications. Once the committee has approved a grant application it must be further approved by the Treasurer and the President of the ITAA. The chair of the SGF committee shall notifying the applicant of approval or disapproval.
III. The applicant is requested to acknowledge receipt of grant(s) to the ITAA office. After receipt of the final grant payment, the applicant is expected to file a one-page report on the outcome of his/her training and to summarize how funds were utilized.
IV. Individuals must inform the ITAA of all address and email changes.
V. The individual's supervisor is informed of the grant payment. Prior to each payment, the supervisor is asked to complete the certification memorandum verifying continuation of training.
VI. When a training contract or membership in the ITAA is cancelled, all grant commitments are void, unless the SGF committee deems there are exigent circumstances.