



Friends of New York City Nurse Family Partnership

New York City Nurse-Family Partnership CAB
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Agenda

- Staff Overview
- Overview of Heart's Desire Fund
- Review Online App
- Nurse's Heart's Desire & Nurses Heart's Desire Form
- Questions

Meet our Program Staff



Jazmin Williams, Program Associate



Alex Albert, Program Consultant



Updates to Heart's Desire: Eligibility & Deadlines:

- **Two Funds:** Heart's Desire Fund Awards & The Emergency Fund
- **Eligibility:** must be current clients of the NYC NFP program — clients who are pregnant should apply if they expect to complete their endeavor prior to baby's birth
- **Heart's Desire Fund:** clients may apply 2x in one year and 1x in second year. Priority based on the resources available.
- **Deadline:** now through end of year
- **Send to:** heartdsdesire@friendsofnycnfp.org (make note of email)



Updates to Heart's Desire: Terms

- **Awards generally do not exceed \$1,800.** Priority based on need and resources available.
- **If need is greater than \$1800,** client should provide an explanation of supplemental funding to bridge the gap.
- To ensure adequate funds available, **do not to apply for courses or certificates more than 6 months in advance** of application date.
- Let us know ASAP if courses change or financial aid comes through.
- **Questions:** heartdesire@friendsofnycnfp.org



Updates to Heart's Desire: Types of Awards

- **Heart's Desire Fund Applications are accepted for education/career advancement.**

Awards are considered for:

- Tuition (including reimbursement)
- Certificate programs
- Necessary additional resources such as Metro Cards, Laptops, Books,
- Short-term child care
- **Emergency Fund** should forestall serious issue, homelessness, food insecurity and/or protect well-being of mother/child. Help with moving expenses.
- **Clients should include what resources they've exhausted.**



Updates to Heart's Desire: Process & Nurse Reco

- Must be accompanied by [nurse recommendation](mailto:heartsdesire@friendsofnycnfp.org) (Send to heartsdesire@friendsofnycnfp.org)
- Please submit your recommendation within a day or so of when your client submits their application via Google Form.
- Application will **not** move ahead until nurse recommendation received
- **Nurse recommendations should detail:**
 - 1) Client's needs
 - 2) Why you believe the mom is a great candidate for support
 - 3) What evidence indicates she is likely to follow through with her plans (in the case of Heart's Desire Fund awards)



Updates to Heart's Desire: Review

- Review is done by our board each Monday, applications are sent to the board by Friday afternoon
- Clients are notified by email of their award with the amount of the award, any terms, and consent
- Payment is made only upon completion of awards
- Forms might include a bursar payment form for tuition/certificate payments or the 1099. We are required to report on all non-employee payments over \$600, including awards, to keep in good standing with the IRS. In general, scholarship money is not considered taxable income but clients should ask their tax preparer.



Updates to Heart's Desire: Review

“Need-based financial assistance is considered a gift under Section 102 of the Internal Revenue Code, provided that the recipient has not provided services in expectation of the assistance and provided that there is no expectation of future services (or any other quid pro quo) to or for the benefit of the provider.

Therefore charitable assistance to individuals is not taxable; rather it is considered a gift.



Updates to Heart's Desire: Tuition / School updates

- We reimburse for tuition/certificates (for courses the client enrolled in while an NFP client) or pay an outstanding tuition balance prohibiting a client from returning to school provided the client details their plans for the future and how such reimbursement will open new paths and allow them to pursue their Heart's Desire.
- If client request is more than \$1,800 and they have no way to pay the balance, please inquire with the Program Associate. Email heartdesire@friendofnycnfp.org.



Updates to Heart's Desire: Metro, Childcare & More

- **Fair Fares NYC discount**, we ask that clients apply to this before coming to us for assistance with metrocards. We will provide a month unlimited card. Clients should send confirmation they've applied to the program. If they are not eligible we will consider funding full price metrocards.
- **Awards are for short term child care.** Applicants must explain how she will arrange for childcare after the funds from the award have been exhausted.
- **Business related request.** Applications for clients who are seeking to jumpstart their business or in need of IRS forms/licenses will now be accepted.



Nurses Heart's Desire

- Working with NFP leadership to provide trainings and support, this will include access to the NFP symposium, and hoping to once again host the maternal mental health workshop and will work and will discuss what other opportunities can be helpful.
- Also will have Nurse's Heart's Desire available. Requests will be reviewed by the same committee as client requests, and go through same review/notification process. There is a fillable [PDF](#) to fill out and have your supervisor sign. It must be signed by a supervisor.



Final Comments & Questions?

- We will roll out forms shortly
- There will be a grace period as we all learn the new format, even for us!!!
- Be patient with us!
- After the grace period ends, we may ask you to re-submit forms



Links to Application

Application:

https://docs.google.com/forms/u/1/d/1YkTSeq-Jc1rO34LebcCN6NhMqo4Hlj98-xKhxB0zmYU/edit?usp=forms_home&ths=true

Emergency Application:

https://docs.google.com/forms/u/1/d/1ilhxA_qdiA56o11GgxVcoJnwjW0gzWrbWW6ASJj9wvM/edit?usp=forms_home&ths=true