

1.Is there a limit to how much I can ask for?

There is no maximum or minimum. Applications will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. There is no guarantee the total amount can be funded. In some cases, a portion of the requested amount may be paid for.

2.Can I request additional funding in the future?

A survivor can access the Fund once a year. Future funding would need to be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

3. When are applications due?

Applications can be submitted twice a year for consideration-November 1 and May 1.

4. How long will it take between submitting my application and hearing if it has been approved or not?

There is a minimum of 30 days between the application deadline and notice of approval/denial of grant.

5. How many grants are awarded each year?

This depends on how many applications we receive and how much is requested per application. We have a pool of money to grant from each year. Once that amount is exhausted, we will be unable to fund until the following year.



- 6. What qualifications should I have in place to apply?
- 1) You are a survivor of sex trafficking. 2) You are working with an advocate at a partner organization. 3) You have a strong support system. 4) You can articulate how the funding will impact your life and your personal and career goals.
- 7. What happens if I don't complete the program I receive funding for? We ask that you alert us as soon as you realize you won't be able to complete the program. If the issue is financial, we would like to be able to help you find resources so you can complete your course of study. Not completing the program makes you ineligible for future funding from the Empowerment Fund.
- 8. What expectations are there for me once I receive funding? Receiving a Robins Nest Empowerment Fund grant requires the grantee to complete periodic check ins about your progress.
- 9. Is the funding given to me or to the institution I am attending? Funding is paid directly to the school or institution you are attending.