

## Miscellaneous

### International Elephant Foundation 2007 Elephant Conservation and Research Funding Support

The International Elephant Foundation (IEF) is accepting proposals for elephant conservation and research funding support.

IEF is offering financial support in 2007 for *in situ* and *ex situ* projects, including protection of wild elephants and their habitats, scientific research, education efforts, and improvements in captive elephant care. Proposals are peer-reviewed by a panel of advisors from the fields of medicine, research, academia, and elephant management. **Please read the instructions closely. Proposals must follow the format outlined below. Those applications that do not follow the instructions will not be considered for funding.**

Awards typically range about US\$10,000 per year.

**Proposals are preferred that meet some or all of the following objectives and criteria:**

- The proposal should clearly contribute to the *in situ* or *ex situ* conservation of African or Asian elephants or their habitats.
- Project is part of an established conservation program or is well-suited to become a long term program.
- Project has conservation value and measurable impact.
- Project is grounded in sound scientific methodology, is logistically feasible, and has a high probability of success.
- Project is collaborative in nature.
- Project has multi-institutional participation and matching funds.
- Project and Principle Investigator demonstrate a spirit of cooperation with *ex situ* elephant facilities and other like-minded conservation institutions.

**Examples of some funding priorities are:**

- Capacity building
- Strategies for human elephant conflict resolution
- Strategies to counteract the bushmeat crisis/ivory poaching
- Strategies to manage local elephant overpopulation problems
- Translocation follow-up studies
- Ex Situ elephant management, veterinary and reproduction projects

**Proposals must be in English and budgets in US currency.**

Proposals must be received at the IEF office by the end of the day on 1 September 2006.

Proposals must be submitted electronically as ONE attachment, this includes the cover page, narrative, CVs, supporting documents etc. Photos are not permitted unless they are VITAL to the clarification of the proposal. In that case, photos must not be imbedded in the application but sent as separate attachments.

Proposals must be submitted electronically to [dolson@indyzo.com](mailto:dolson@indyzo.com).

#### Frequently Asked Questions

##### **When is the application due?**

The deadline is September 1, 2006. Late proposals cannot be considered out of fairness to others.

##### **Can I submit more than one proposal?**

You may submit two or more proposals, recognizing that the total number of proposals submitted does not necessarily enhance your ability to be funded.

##### **Who is eligible?**

We encourage global projects. Organizations outside the US are eligible as are students, scientists and institutions. Students are required to file applications through a faculty advisor; the advisor co-signs the applications and accepts reporting responsibility. Proposals should be submitted in English and in US dollars.

##### **What about overhead costs?**

Overhead costs are not funded.

##### **What size grants do you entertain?**

Requests of \$10,000 or less are preferred but larger amounts will be considered.

##### **Do you support multi-year proposals?**

Two or three-year proposals will be considered but funding will only be awarded for 2007 with an application for each additional year required for multi-year proposals with no guarantee of funding. Reports will be required prior to award and distribution of funds for subsequent years.

##### **How long is the process?**

The review process is completed December 15, 2006.

Please do not call any earlier regarding the status of your proposal. It is our policy to notify all applicants at the same time regarding the status of their application. If you have not heard from us by January 31, 2007, please feel free to contact us then.

#### **If I am funded, when are reports due?**

Upon signature on the IEF 2007 Grant Program Contract, the 1<sup>st</sup> installment of funds will be made available to applicant. A six-month interim report, including digital photos, is required prior to receipt of the second installment. A final report and final budget, including digital photos, is required at the end of the funding year. Any future requests for funding will not be given consideration unless the six-month interim report and digital photos have been submitted, as well as all other contractual requirements. New applications from the same organization or individual will not be considered if reports from funded projects in prior years have not been received.

### **INTERNATIONAL ELEPHANT FOUNDATION APPLICATION FOR IEF FINANCIAL SUPPORT Cover Sheet**

#### **TITLE OF THE PROJECT:**

#### **Principle Investigator**

Name & Title:

Institution:

Institution Address:

Phone, Fax, email:

#### **Co-investigator(s)**

Name & Title:

Institution:

Institution Address:

Phone, Fax, email:

Name & Title:

Institution:

Institution Address:

Phone, Fax, email:

#### **Budget**

Total Project Budget:

Total Requested from the International Elephant Foundation:

Project Start Date:

Project End Date:

Is the Project Underway?

#### **Project Category**

Zoo Research

Field Research

Field Conservation

Conservation Education

Professional Training/Technology Transfer/Capacity Building

Habitat Protection

Applications must include the following:

- 1) **COVER SHEET** (sample attached above) containing project title, name and contact information for the principal investigator, name and institutional affiliation of co-investigator(s), amount requested, project start and end dates, and project review category.
- 2) **ONE-PAGE SUMMARY** containing:
  - summary of the project and project objectives
  - anticipated benefits and outputs
  - personnel & organizations involved
- 3) **PROJECT NARRATIVE** of a maximum of 10 pages, 10-12 point font, containing:
  - project rationale
  - goals & objectives
  - methodology & work plan
  - feasibility
  - monitoring & evaluation procedures
  - sustainability
  - potential significance of results to conservation
- 4) **TIME LINE** with proposed Start and End dates. Also Please note if the project is currently underway.
- 5) **BUDGET** must be itemized and divided into the following categories: project personnel (stipends or salaries support, number of persons, hours, rate, position), travel expenses (number of persons, cost per trip, number of trips), lodging and meals (numbers of days x persons), equipment, supplies, services, miscellaneous expenses. Please also list funds from other sources that are supporting the project. The following sample budget format must be used:

BUDGET ITEM	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM IEF	MATCHING FUNDS	SECURED FROM OTHER PARTNERS	BALANCE REQUIRED	TOTAL PROJECT COSTS
Field Patrol per diem 2 patrols/wk x 21 staff @ \$10 ea					
Elephant subsistence 10 elephants x 12 mo @\$100/mo					
CRU unit uniforms for 30 staff @\$20 ea					
TOTALS					

- 1) Please justify the budget requested. Please also address what will happen/what your alternatives will be for this project if it is not chosen or awarded the full amount you are requesting for funding from IEF.
- 2) Provide a map showing the location of your project site at the state or province level.
- 3) **QUALIFICATIONS** of principle and co-investigators (maximum 2-page CV per individual)
- 4) Indicate whether **PERMITS** or **IACUC** approval (where required for the study) have been obtained.

**For more information and questions contact:**

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