



Volunteer Services Request for Funds Guidelines

Priority Funding Guidelines:

- Funds must directly benefit patient and/or families at UI Hospitals & Clinics and/or UI Stead Family Children's Hospital
- Requests that have a house-wide, positive impact on the patient/family experience are desired
- Requests that use a collaborative approach to reduce service fragmentation or duplication, enhance, streamline, or integrate services, or achieve better outcomes are desired
- Applications must be complete, including the appropriate signature(s), to be considered
- All else equal, special consideration is given to those areas utilizing volunteers
- Funds will not be granted for budgetary items such as routine equipment, either for staff support or patient care, research, or staff continuing education
- Funds should be requested only when appropriate sources for funding are not available or are not sufficient to fully fund a project
- Partial or full funding may be requested

2024-25 Request for Funds Applications are accepted now through January 21. Requests will be reviewed in January by the Contributions & Donations Committee and final funding approvals announced after the Volunteer Services Advisory Board Meeting the end of February.

Review Process: Funds requests are reviewed by the Contributions & Donations Committee, chaired by the Volunteer Services Advisory Board Chair and including the VSAB Chair-elect and Immediate Past Chair. The Director of Volunteer Services and a Nursing Administration representative serve as ad hoc members. Following careful review, the committee makes funding recommendations to the Volunteer Services Advisory Board, who then give final funding approvals.

Thank you for your support of UI Health Care volunteers and for your commitment to the best possible experience for our patients and their families!

Contact Volunteer Services with questions at 319-356-2515 or volunteerservices@uiowa.edu

And remember...every time you shop in a Volunteer Services sponsored business, you support programs and services benefitting our patients and their families! Our customers are the BEST and we are grateful for your loyal support.

About Funds from Volunteer Services: Since Volunteer Services began in 1972, volunteers have contributed millions of dollars in support of programs and services benefitting our patients and their families. Funds come from our in-house businesses such as Wild Rose Gifts, Kaleidoscope Gift Shop, Fourth Floor Salon, Relaxation Station, and the Rooftop Café. In addition to our sponsored businesses, we also hold a variety of special fundraising events and sales.