



## The Frist Foundation Awards of Achievement – Team Building

Collaboration is often vital to nonprofit work. It may involve a one-time project or a multi-year program. This award recognizes the organizations that most powerfully demonstrate how they have mobilized, trained, coordinated and made the most effective use of volunteers, staff, board members, and other community participants in their philanthropic efforts. The award is designed to celebrate organizations whose intentional and well-executed teamwork has increased the efficacy and impact of their missions.

The top award of \$25,000 will be given to the organization that submits the winning application. Please make sure your team has agreed on who will apply and how any proceeds would be divided. In the same way, \$10,000 will be awarded to each of the two finalists at CNM's annual Salute to Excellence.

## **Requirements for the Team Building Award:**

- Must be an organization that has been a 501(c)(3) for at least three years and is a member of CNM providing significant services to residents of Middle Tennessee.
- Local chapters of national organizations may apply, provided the chapters are locally managed, have their own tax-exempt status, and have full financial information available on a local basis.
- In keeping with The Frist Foundation's general funding guidelines, hospitals, nursing homes, and retirement homes are not eligible.

## **Previous Winners and Finalists:**

- Previous \$25,000 winners of <u>any</u> of the Frist Awards of Achievement are not eligible to reapply for three years. (For example, if the agency was a Frist award winner in 2016, the agency is eligible to re-apply for a Frist award in 2020.)
- Previous \$10,000 recipients (finalists) may reapply, but <u>not in the same category</u> for three years. (For example, if the agency was a Frist Team Building finalist in 2016, the agency is eligible to reapply for Team Building in 2020.)

## **Questions:**

- 1. Describe the team that was created, when it began work, and how it addresses an ongoing community need(s). (Limit response to 200 words) \*
- 2. How does the team further the mission of your organization? How does it help the organization achieve its long-term goals? Give specific examples as applicable. (Limit response to 200 words.) \*

- 3. Was this project originated by your organization, by another, or by an organization or association with which you are affiliated? How can this project be replicated or adapted by other organizations? (Limit response to 100 words.) \*
- 4. What were the greatest management challenges you encountered and met successfully in carrying out the project? (Examples: external and internal relationships, organizational structure and processes, board development, marketing and communications, funding) (Limit response to 200 words.) \*
- 5. How do you measure the performance of the nominated project? What have been the specific, measurable and/or observable results achieved over time? At what costs? What are the projected results for the next three years? (Limit response to 200 words.) \*