

## Program Guidelines

- Applications will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.
- Applications must be submitted by the patient's social worker affiliated with a Florida transplant center or, if none, by designated NKFF personnel.
- A new application must be completed for each submission.
- Social workers must conduct a needs assessment, complete the *Hawthorne Patient Assistance Fund Application*, provide written endorsement and justification for each request, **a detailed explanation of the patient's need**, and information about the patient's long-term plan for access to medication.
- The patient must consent to providing additional information needed to verify financial need, including, but not limited to, bank statements, credit reports and tax returns, upon request.
- This Fund should be considered a resource of "last resort". All other funding sources should be explored and exhausted. Applications should list all attempts to obtain other assistance and denials for medication assistance.
- Grants will be approved for up to \$1,000 per submission, with a lifetime maximum of \$3,000.
- Notice of grant approval will be sent to patient's social worker who must then forward grant information to the patient.
- Grant checks will be made payable only to the patient's pharmacy. No funds will be distributed to the patient.

## Program Overview

Beginning January 1, 2017, the National Kidney Foundation of Florida's Hawthorne Patient Assistance Fund will provide short-term financial assistance to qualified kidney transplant recipients to meet the cost of their kidney transplant related medications (immunosuppressant and prophylaxis drugs), while they seek out other longer-term solutions.

A qualified patient applicant must:

- be a kidney transplant recipient
- be uninsured or underinsured
- be a Florida resident and
- complete a Patient Assistance Fund application

Approved patient applicants are eligible to receive assistance of up to \$1,000 per month, with a lifetime maximum of \$3,000, paid directly to their pharmacy of choice.

The Hawthorne Patient Assistance Fund is exclusively for costs of transplant related medications (immunosuppressant and prophylaxis drugs). It will not provide assistance for other charges, transplant related or otherwise, including, but not limited to, physician charges, hospital charges, laboratory services, surgical costs, living expenses, travel expenses, or insurance premiums.



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Patient Services

# Hawthorne Patient Assistance Fund

**Financial medication  
assistance for eligible  
transplant patients**

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## Hawthorne Fund

The National Kidney Foundation of Florida's Hawthorne Patient Assistance Fund is made possible by a generous bequest from the Herbert F. Hawthorne Trust, in memory of Mrs. Louise Hawthorne. The purpose of this fund is to assist uninsured or underinsured kidney transplant patients with the cost of transplant immunosuppressant and prophylaxis medications. The mission of the National Kidney

## NKFF Mission

Foundation of Florida is to prevent kidney and urinary tract diseases, improve the health and well-being of individuals and families affected by these diseases, and increase the availability of all organs for transplantation.



## Herb and Louise Hawthorne

Herb and Louise were both born in 1927, Herb in Pennsylvania and Louise in Arkansas. Herb served in WWII and attended college following his discharge. After graduation, he began work at the CIA in Washington D.C. It is there he met the love of his life, Louise Linzy. She worked for Convair at the time which later became General Dynamics. They were married in the early 1950's and their love affair continued for the rest of their lives. After leaving the CIA, Herb founded his own company handling government contracts. Louise remained at General Dynamics, rising through the ranks to become Executive Assistant to the CEO at the time of her retirement. They loved travel, wine, the Washington Redskins and golf, but not necessarily in that order. When nearing their retirement, they looked for a place to spend their "golden years" and made their home at the University Park Country Club in Sarasota, Florida, where they lived out the rest of their lives. As in life, Louise and Herb's ashes now rest at Sarasota National Veterans Cemetery where they will be together for all eternity. During their long marriage, Louise underwent dialysis treatment and was fortunate to be a kidney transplant recipient. Herb and Louise left their entire estate to charities, with their largest gift being made to the National Kidney Foundation of Florida to help those going through what Louise endured.