



Heart's Desire Program



Program Purpose:

The Heart's Desire Program is dedicated to granting desires for Hearts of Gold Participants who are suffering from a terminal illness.

Program Guidelines:

- **Who is eligible?** Any current Hearts of Gold Participant diagnosed with a critical illness that is progressive, degenerative, or malignant and placing the person's life in imminent danger. Hearts of Gold will review each request carefully and consult with medical professionals to determine eligibility.
- **Who can nominate a recipient?** Any current Tucson Police Department member may nominate any current Hearts of Gold Participant who fits the above criteria.
- **How many desires are granted?** The Heart's Desire program will grant one desire up to a maximum of \$10,000 per calendar year.
- **What types of desires are considered?** The intent of the program is to grant a desire for someone who is terminally ill. Some desires could include but are not limited to, going on a special trip or getting to meet someone special. We want the recipient to experience something that they have always wanted to but do not have the financial means to make the desire a reality.

Program Requirements:

- Nominations must be submitted on the Heart's Desire Nomination Form and must include the following:
 - Full detailed explanation of the medical diagnosis and nominees relationship to Hearts of Gold participant.
 - Diagnosis verification letter from a certified medical professional confirming that the illness is degenerative, progressive, malignant and life-threatening.
 - Explanation of financial hardship.

Application Process and Deadlines:

- Nominations will be accepted year round and reviewed at the next regularly scheduled Board Meeting following receipt of the nomination. In urgent situations, the nominator may request that the Board hold a special meeting to review a request.
- All nominations must be submitted using the following link:
[Hearts of Gold Heart's Desire Application](#)
- Once the nomination is received, Hearts of Gold will make contact with the nominator and recipient to learn more about the specific desires. Hearts of Gold will make every effort to make the desire a reality, however, due to the individual nature of each circumstance, desires cannot be guaranteed.

The Hearts of Gold Board of Directors looks forward to continuing its mission of assisting Tucson Police Department members during times of financial need. For questions please contact

Executive Director, Jamie Brady at info@tucsonheartsofgold.org or 520-465-0375.