



THE STORK FOUNDATION

for Infertility

FOUNDATION OVERVIEW

PROVIDING HOPE AND OPPORTUNITY



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FOUNDATION INTRODUCTION



Founded in 2020, The Stork Foundation for Infertility is here because we know what family means.

Everything.

Anyone can be challenged to grow their family. Regardless of race, religion, sexuality or economic status, infertility doesn't discriminate.

Infertility is not just a medical issue, but a fight for a DREAM.

We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with very little overhead (no salaries are paid), and nearly every penny of donations received directly supports our grant recipients.

Vision & Mission

Vision

Empowering Dreams, Transforming Lives:

The Stork Foundation envisions a future where every individual facing infertility is met with compassion, support, and accessible resources to realize their dream of parenthood. Through our unwavering commitment to financial assistance, advocacy, and community empowerment, we strive to break down barriers and ensure that no one is denied the chance to build the family they desire due to financial constraints. By fostering a culture of inclusivity and understanding, we aspire to create a world where infertility is met with empathy, and every journey to parenthood is embraced with dignity and respect. Together, we envision a future where hope triumphs over hardship, and the joy of parenthood knows no bounds.

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Mission

Established in 2020, our mission is to give hope and opportunity to those suffering from infertility and fighting for their dream of parenthood.

The Stork Foundation provides financial assistance to low resource individuals who require costly medical infertility treatments that would otherwise be out of financial reach.

Our Team



Elizabeth Frattura
Founder



Meredith Weber
President, Board Member



Christina Pannos
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Board Member



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Board Member



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Board Member



Christy Hild
Board Member

THE STORK FOUNDATION'S GROWING IMPACT

\$275,000

Funds Awarded

25

Grants Awarded

13

Stork Babies and more on
the way in 2024



“My hope is this foundation will provide a vehicle through which families like mine who have already ‘overcome’ infertility can support those who are still on their infertility journey.”

Elizabeth Frattura, Founder

THE COST OF IVF

ESTIMATED COSTS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITHOUT INSURANCE BENEFITS THROUGH THEIR EMPLOYER

Medications:
\$3,500 - \$5,500

Bloodwork &
Ultrasounds:
\$2,000 - \$3,500

ICSI:
\$1,500 - \$2,500

Cost of FET:
\$1,500 - \$5,500

Egg Retrieval:
\$2,000 - \$3,000

Anesthesia:
\$350 - \$750

Cost of Donor Sperm:
\$500 - \$1,000

Preimplantation Genetic
Testing
\$1,500 - \$3,000

Lab Fees:
\$2,000 - \$4,000

Oocyte Storage:
\$600 - \$1,000 annually

29

States do not require health insurance to cover ANY fertility services

15

Only fifteen states include IVF coverage mandates, however these state mandates do not apply to self-insured plans

61%

of workers who have self-insured plans do not have insurance coverage in mandated states

GRANT INFORMATION

About

As a charitable organization, we are limited by the amount of funds that are donated and therefore cannot offer grants to all who apply in a given year.

Grants up to \$15,000 per family are awarded on an annual basis.

Funds are paid directly to the provider on behalf of the patient.



Grant Application

We have one grant cycle each year, accepting applications from August 1st and closes September 30th.

Highlights In 2020



1

The Stork Foundation for Infertility Launches

The dream of helping low resource couples and individuals grow their family becomes a reality. The Stork Foundation for Infertility launches!

2

First Ever Event Held

Raised over \$15,000 and had close to 100 runners for our very first event, Pineapple Squad Virtual 5K, during the pandemic.

This virtual 5K was a wonderful way to connect with the infertility community and its supporters during an isolating time for so many.



Highlights In 2021

1 Second Pineapple Squad Virtual 5K

We held the second Pineapple Squad Virtual 5K in 2021 and raised \$25,000 that directly supported our grant recipients.



2 Introduced the Hope Necklace Collection

Introduced the Hope Necklace Collection, an octagon shaped necklace that, at the time, represented the 1 in 8 struggling with infertility, and the strength, hope, and courage they share in their journey to parenthood.

The necklace was created to raise awareness of infertility and show support and understanding for those fighting for their dream of parenthood. It has also been an opportunity to raise additional funds for our grant recipients.



Highlights In 2022

Partnership with Little Words Project

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Little Words Project partnered with The Stork Foundation to bring incredibly meaningful Hope bracelets in honor of National Infertility Awareness Week.

In addition to raising awareness during National Infertility Awareness Week, these bracelets helped raise funds for our grant recipients and gave us a platform to also share the message of Infertility to a larger audience.

2 Community Petal Party

Hosted a community "Petal Party" in Edwardsville to help bring awareness to the infertility community and celebrate those who had their own infertility journey



Highlights In 2023

1 Brunch for Hope

We planned our inaugural Brunch for Hope hosted in April 2023 as a way to connect with the infertility community and kick off National Infertility Awareness Week, and it turned into something much greater.

This was a pivotal event that exceeded our expectations in every way. We raised \$17,000 which directly impacted our future grant recipients as this was a FULL grant for a family who otherwise wouldn't have the opportunity to go through IVF.



2 Social 6K

Bringing awareness to the 1 in 6 - We hosted a Social 6K in July, 2023. This was our spin on a virtual 5K, but wanting to create a special community around it to celebrate and honor the 1 in 6 impacted by infertility.

Highlights In 2024



Brunch for Hope 2024

Our second annual Brunch for Hope achieved something truly remarkable: raising a NET of \$41,000 which will go directly to our 2024 Fall Grant Program! This is a 115% increase from our inaugural Brunch for Hope! This incredible accomplishment reflects the strength and compassion of our community!





THE STORK FOUNDATION'S FUTURE OUTLOOK + GOALS



Expanding Reach

Aim to increase awareness and accessibility of the foundation's grants to individuals and families with low resources by reaching out through community centers, healthcare facilities, and online platforms.



Diversifying Support

Explore opportunities for partnerships that can enhance our support network, ensuring new collaborations include contributions to our foundation, directly benefiting our grant recipients.



Education and Outreach

Develop educational content for our social media channels to continually inform and empower our donors and community about fertility health, family planning options, and more, while fostering a supportive environment.



Community Support Networks

Foster a sense of community and support among grant recipients and those within the infertility community by organizing support groups and online forums where individuals and families can share experiences, resources, and emotional support.

Thank You!



Additional Details

Thank you for taking time to learn more about The Stork Foundation for Infertility. We look forward to future ways we can collaborate!

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