



The Barry Alan Gold Memorial Fund of the Community Foundation for the Greater Capital Region

General Information

Barry Alan Gold, 1945 – 2002, enjoyed a national reputation as a health law attorney. Always an advocate and teacher, Barry dedicated his life to striving for equality in all spheres. He accomplished this through pro bono work, charitable giving and volunteering.

At the time of his death, Barry was a partner at Thuillez, Ford, Gold, Johnson & Butler, LLP, an adjunct professor in the Department of Internal Medicine at Albany Medical College and an adjunct professor at the University at Albany's Department of Psychology. From 1973-1983, he was a member of the adjunct faculty at Albany Law School, where he created the school's first coursework in health law.

Barry was the founding chairman of the Health Law Section of the NYS Bar Association (1996-1998). He was appointed by the governor in 1997 to the NYS Task Force on "Life and the Law," advised NYS lawmakers on health care legislation and was instrumental in the development and passage of the Surrogate Decision Making, Hospice and the Health Care Proxy laws. He was the driving force in compelling insurance companies to fund new and innovative treatments such as bone marrow transplants.

In addition, Barry authored a book entitled "New York Health Law" and numerous articles on such topics as managed care, emergency room medical care, professional misconduct and health care reform. He was on the editorial boards of "The Journal of Legal Medicine" and "The Journal of Forensic Neuropsychology." He served as a consultant to hospitals, physicians, and other professionals on malpractice, professional misconduct, managed care, ethics and a multitude of day-to-day health care issues. He was listed in "The Best Lawyers in America" every year since 1993.

His fierce advocacy for equal legal and medical services for all earned him numerous awards including the President's Award for Pro Bono Legal Services and an award for "Improving the Professional Competence of the Bar and Statutes Concerning Disabled Persons," both given by the New York State Bar Association and the Partners in Cancer Control Award by the American Cancer Society. He was honored by membership in the American College of Legal Medicine and Fellowship in the New York Academy of Medicine.

Barry was a prime supporter of "Two Together," an after-school literacy program funded through the Community Foundation for the Greater Capital Region. He was a past president of Congregation B'nai Shalom and O.D. Heck Developmental Center Board of Visitors. He was the Chairman of the National Board of Directors of the Myasthenia Gravis Foundation of America, as well as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Capital Repertory Theater.

A graduate of Cornell University and Albany Law School, Barry received his L.L.M. in Legal Medicine from Case Western Reserve University School of Law. He served in the United States Army Medical Service Corps as a commissioned officer and was honorably discharged in 1974.

The Barry Alan Gold Memorial Fund works to sustain Barry's legacy of giving back to his community so that everyone has improved access to services and benefits.

This fund will accept proposals from organizations that seek to improve access to legal services, healthcare services, childcare/family services and the arts in the New York State Capital Region. **The Fund will not give to the same organization in consecutive years.**

Application Submission

A pre-application questionnaire must be completed online. If the pre-application questionnaire is accepted, a link to complete the formal proposal will be sent.

Completion of the formal application using our online system is required. **The application process is strict and should be followed to the best of the organization's ability.**

Review Process

An initial review of the pre-application questionnaire will be conducted by Community Foundation staff. Applicants may be contacted for additional information. Applications not conforming to the accompanying guidelines will be asked to resubmit.

Trustees of the Fund will review and discuss all complete pre-application questionnaires, as well as subsequent formal applications. Site visits to applicant organizations with which the trustees are unfamiliar are likely. Applicants should have the following information available at that time:

- Brochures, annual reports or other descriptive materials (if available); and
- Descriptions of key staff, including qualifications.

Applicants will be notified in writing of the trustees' decisions.

Time Line

Pre-applications are due May 3, 2018 and will be reviewed by June 30, 2018. If the organization is invited to submit a formal application, the due date for the formal application will be provided at that time.

Occasionally, complex applications will require additional time to review. Applicants will be kept informed of their proposal's progress.

Post-Grant Requirements

Grant recipients are **required to submit a written evaluation of the project within 60 days of the conclusion of the grant period.** In the case of multi-year grants, more frequent reporting may be required. Site visits by the trustees of The Barry Alan Gold Memorial Fund will be conducted at the discretion of the trustees during the course of the grant period.

Questions

Please do not contact the trustees of the Barry Alan Gold Memorial Fund directly.

Questions regarding the grant review process should be directed to:

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