

Amniotic Fluid Embolism Foundation

2022 Impact Report

Research | Education | Support



What a year!

We are pleased to report that 2022 proved to be a seminal year for the AFE Foundation. We received a \$200,000 investment to develop a robust and comprehensive clinical education program to ensure all healthcare providers can access reliable AFE information and equip them with the knowledge and training they need to save lives.

To disseminate this knowledge effectively, we have also laid the framework for a state liaison pilot program modeled after other leading programs in maternal health.

Each program highlights our research and underscores the need for clinicians to support these endeavors and help build our biorepository.

As we enter our 15th year, I couldn't be more proud of our community and optimistic for our future. I believe these efforts will lead us to the answers we have been seeking for so long.

Thank you for entrusting us with your hearts, memories, stories, and donations.

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Our Story

Who We Are

The Amniotic Fluid Embolism Foundation is the only organization dedicated to this rare and often fatal complication of pregnancy. Our Foundation is the leading expert in amniotic fluid embolism (AFE) education and research and the largest support organization for impacted families and healthcare workers around the world. We are committed to identifying the cause, diagnosis, prevention, and treatment of AFE.

What We Do

We are committed to identifying the cause, diagnosis, prevention, and treatment of amniotic fluid embolism and bring our information and resources to healthcare providers and impacted families through our education and support programs. We also strive to be the light guiding those impacted by an AFE through their physical and emotional recovery as they navigate their way forward.

Why We Do It

Before the AFE Foundation was founded, families and healthcare providers impacted by an AFE had nowhere to turn for information and support, left in the dark about their experience and how to move forward. Since turning on our lights and shining our efforts into understanding this rare condition, we've helped tens of thousands of people gain knowledge, understanding, and support through some of their darkest days. We will continue to be the light as long as it takes to end AFE.

Our Values

WE ARE RESOLUTE IN OUR COMMITMENT TO #ENDAFE.

WE ARE DEVOTED TO THE COMMUNITY WE SERVE.

WE HOLD REVERENCE FOR THOSE WHOSE LIVES WERE LOST.

WE ARE SINCERE IN HOW WE COME ALONG SIDE AND
SUPPORT THOSE IMPACTED.

WE ARE PRUDENT IN HOW MONIES ARE SPENT.

WE ARE APPRECIATIVE TO OUR DONORS, BOARD, CLINICIANS,
AND RESEARCH PARTNERS.



Our Purpose

Mission

Reducing maternal and infant mortality attributed to amniotic fluid embolism while helping those impacted navigate paths forward.

Vision

Amniotic fluid embolism no longer threatens lives and those with lived experiences thrive.



In Memory

Research

Advancing clinical research to aid in better prevention, diagnosis and treatment.

\$40K

TOWARDS
RESEARCH

418

TIMES OUR RESEARCH WAS
CITED IN AFE AND MATERNAL
HEALTH PUBLICATIONS

2022 Updates

Our Biorepository Gets a New Home

Now located at the University of Texas Health Science Center, our biorepository is ready to collect critical specimens to fuel AFE research.



New Placental Pathology Study

Completed largest AFE placental pathology study.

New Tissue Specimen Study

Developed and received approval for a new tissue specimen study.

Why Research Matters

There is no known cause or cure for AFE. Each case of AFE holds vital information that can help solve the mystery of this devastating birth complication. Collecting specimens and conducting scientific research, is the first step to understanding the etiology of AFE.

Education

Equipping providers to recognize and effectively treat patients experiencing an AFE.

610

PROVIDERS
TRAINED

79%

OF PROVIDERS TRAINED REPORTED
INCREASED UNDERSTANDING OF
AFE TREATMENT OPTIONS

**“ YOU PROVIDED US WITH SUCH IMPORTANT INFORMATION!
I LEARNED SO MUCH! - LACY HEIDEL, RN**

100%

OF PROVIDERS REPORTED OUR CLINICAL
FACT SHEET AS BEING USEFUL. OVER
1,500 FACT SHEETS DISTRIBUTED.



Why Education Matters

There is limited understanding of AFE among healthcare providers. Education directly impacts their ability to recognize and treat patients effectively. Our education ensures healthcare providers can access reliable information and equip them with the knowledge and training they need to save lives.

Support

Helping those who have been affected by an AFE and offering resources to aid in their path forward.

2,528

Community
Members
Served Globally

100%

REPORT AN
INCREASED
UNDERSTANDING
OF AFE

81%

REPORT A
MEANINGFUL
SENSE OF
COMMUNITY

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THANK YOU FOR THE AMAZING SUPPORT YOU PROVIDED TO OUR FAMILY. YOU CAME INTO OUR LIVES WHEN WE MOST DESPERATELY NEEDED CARE AND GUIDANCE. - JIM & SANDY



Our community members also give back.
1,544 blood donations from drives held
resulted in 4,632 saved lives!

Why Support Matters

AFE is a devastating experience for women and families. Most survivors or surviving family members don't know what happened or how to move forward. Feelings of isolation are magnified by the infrequent occurrence of this condition. Without a supportive community and resources, families and patients can become stuck in their traumatic experience - without a way forward.

Operations

Laying a foundation to ensure quality and authenticity while building capacity.

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New Team Members Hired

Brand & Marketing
Program Manager
Researcher
Social Worker (LCSW)



400

Participants Raised

\$25,000

1st Annual

2022

Received the Largest Grant in
Our Organization's History



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MoMMA's
Voices

Certified Patient Family Partners
equipped to represent AFE
among health providers across
the country.

Launched our new visual identity with a fresh rebrand.



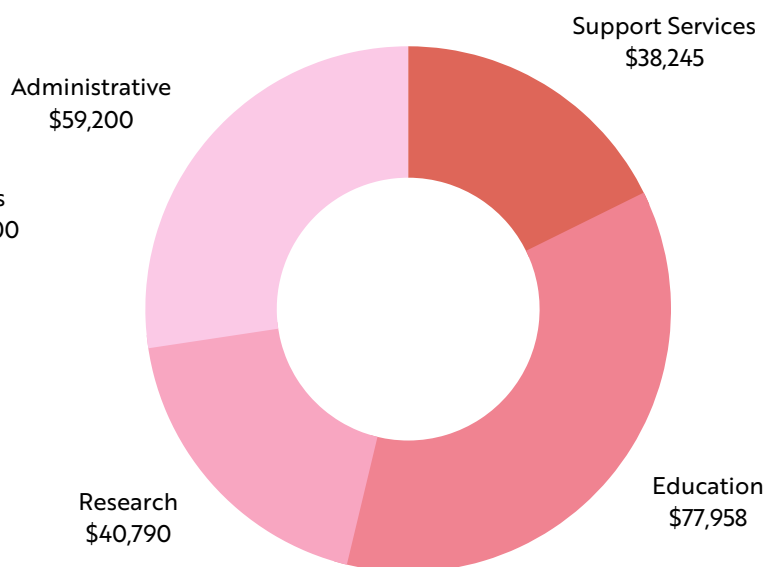
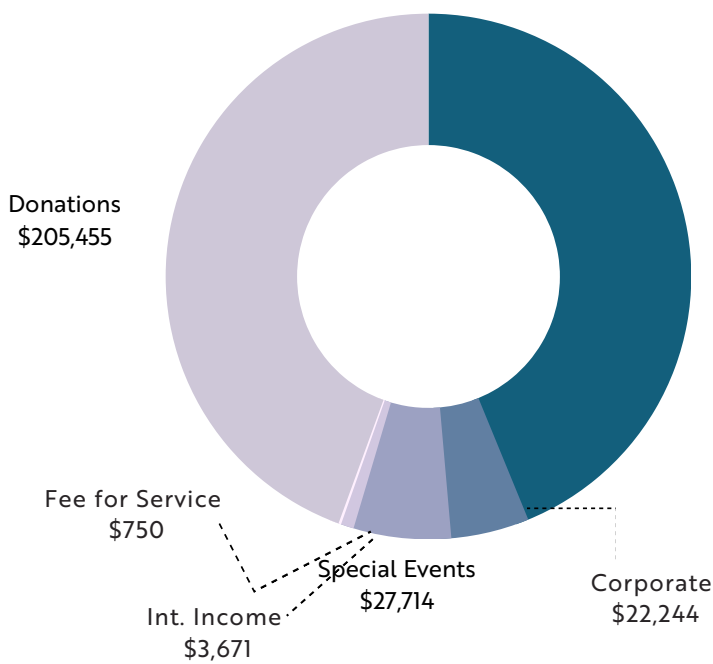
Ready to Thrive

We have dedicated our first 14 years to building a solid business and financial foundation, establishing credibility in the clinical and research space, fostering deep and lasting relationships with our community members, streamlining productivity, and evaluating our efficacy. Entering our 15th year, we are perfectly positioned to maximize all we have built to expand our research and education initiatives, ultimately saving lives.

Financials

Gross Revenue: \$462,334

Expenses: \$216,193



\$205,455

Total Individual Donations
(Average Donation: \$112)

Facebook
\$71,749

Recurring
\$32,400

Direct
\$101,906

Committed to Sustainability

Thank you for your continued support and entrusting us to be a good steward with your donations. It is important that we can sustain ourselves to do this critical work, especially in a rapidly changing economy. Our goal is to have ample reserves set aside so the Foundation is not susceptible to economic volatility or entirely reliant on events and other external funding.

Fundraising continues to be an important part of our sustainability. It allows us to have access to a safety net for promising research opportunities and allows us to meet our ongoing financial obligations.