

## **Breast Cancer Alliance**

### **Exceptional Project Grants or Young Investigator Grants**

### **2025 Internal Request for Applications**

The mission of **Breast Cancer Alliance (BCA)** is to improve survival rates and quality of life for those impacted by breast cancer through better prevention, early detection, treatment and cure. To promote these goals, we invest in innovative research, breast surgery fellowships, regional education, dignified support and screening for the underserved. This request for applications is for two types of grants: Exceptional Project Grants and Young Investigator Grants.

#### **EXCEPTIONAL PROJECT GRANTS (XP):**

Breast Cancer Alliance invites clinical doctors and research scientists at any stage of their careers, including post docs, whose current proposal is focused on breast cancer, to apply for an **Exceptional Project Grant**. This award recognizes creative, unique and innovative research related to breast cancer.

**Term:** One year, beginning on March 1, 2026.

**Grant Specifics:** The grant provides salary support and project costs for a total of \$100,000, distributed over a one-year period. Indirect costs, which are included in the \$100,000 award, must be limited to 8% of total direct costs.

#### **Qualifications:**

- This grant is open to applicants at institutions in the contiguous United States
- No for-profit institutions may apply
- Applicants can be at any stage of their careers, including postdocs

#### **YOUNG INVESTIGATOR GRANTS (YIG):**

To encourage a commitment to breast cancer research, Breast Cancer Alliance invites clinical doctors and research scientists who are in the early stages of their careers, including post docs, whose current proposal is focused on breast cancer, to apply for funding for the **Young Investigator Grant**. This grant is intended to help advance the careers of young researchers who do not yet have their own major grant support, but who design and conduct their own independent research projects.

**Term:** Two years, beginning on March 1, 2026.

**Grant Specifics:** The grant provides salary support and project costs for a total of a \$125,000, distributed over a two-year period. Indirect costs, which are included in the \$125,000 award, must be limited to 8% of total direct costs.

#### **Qualifications:**

- Must not have held a tenure track faculty or tenure track research position for more than **four years** following completion of their training, as of March 1, 2026
- Must not have been or are not a principal investigator on an NIH R01 or equivalent national/international non-mentored award as of March 1, 2026
- Must dedicate at least 50% of their work effort to research

- Must be at an institution located in the contiguous United States.
- Must not be a for-profit institution

### INTERNAL COMPETITION GUIDELINES

Each institution may submit only TWO applications. To select Winship nominees, **Letters of Intent** are due on **Wednesday, March 19, 2025** and must be emailed as a single PDF document to [winshipgrants@emory.edu](mailto:winshipgrants@emory.edu). The Letter of Intent must include the following:

- Indicate if applying for the Exceptional Project Grants or Young Investigator Grants
- The applicant's name (top of the page)
- Job title and institution (top of the page)
- Contact information
- Project title and hypothesis
- Outline the research aim(s) and methods
- Include a brief discussion of the project's potential impact
- Current NIH Biosketch

The selected investigators will be notified and invited to submit a Letter of Intent to the Breast Cancer Alliance as an applicant from Winship Cancer Institute of Emory University. For more information about the Breast Cancer Alliance grants, visit <https://breastcanceralliance.org/how-to-apply>. Please direct any questions you have regarding this funding opportunity to [winshipgrants@emory.edu](mailto:winshipgrants@emory.edu).

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#### CYCLE COMPONENT

Date of RFA Announcement:  
Winship Letter of Intent Due Date:  
Winship Announcement of Nominee Selection:  
Letter of Intent to BCA Due Date:  
Invited BCA Full Application Due Date:

#### DATE

Tuesday, March 4, 2025  
Wednesday, March 19, 2025  
Monday, March 24, 2025  
Monday, March 31, 2025 by 11:59 pm ET  
Saturday, July 19, 2025 by 11:59 pm ET