Mission-Related Investments at the LSU Health Foundation New Orleans

The Foundation recognizes the important role that research, science and innovation play in providing faculty, physicians, researchers, clinicians and students the tools needed to improve health for the community.

For this reason, the Foundation has set aside a limited amount of funding for mission-related investment funding to qualified early stage companies with products aimed at commercializing LSU Health Sciences Center, New Orleans (LSUHSCNO) technology developed by our hard-working and innovative faculty researchers to improve health outcomes for the people of Louisiana and beyond.

In concert with the Foundation’s mission to support the growth of LSUSCHNO, these investments are intended to provide a positive programmatic and social benefit, while generating returns and contributing to the Foundation’s long-term financial stability and growth.

Beginning in May 2018, the Foundation’s Mission-Related Investment (MRI) fund was created with a commitment of $3M over three years for venture capital funding from a small portion of our unrestricted investments portfolio in order to support early stage companies licensing LSUHSCNO technology and partnering with researchers at LSUHSCNO on developing innovative technologies with the university.

The Foundation works with the university to identify potential opportunities with partner companies and utilizes internal and external resources to review the science, marketability and business plans of companies who meet the Foundation’s criteria for investment.

If you or someone you know meets the requirements for consideration, you may submit a simple email request for funding to the LSU Health Foundation New Orleans’ CFO, Timothy A. Hemphill, CPA at themphill@lsuhealthfoundation.org.

To learn more about grants, awards or mission-related investing, call the Foundation at 504-568-3712 or email us at info@lsuhealthfoundation.org.