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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Current TAJF Grantees

**FROM:** Betty Balli Torres, Executive Director

**SUBJECT:** Grantee Requests for Continued Funding 2009-2010

**DATE:** January 22, 2009

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As we informed you back in December, the Federal Funds Target Rate (FFTR) has decreased to a range of zero to .25% and has further decimated IOLTA revenue. We are in uncharted territory making it challenging to project revenue, but this new FFTR range leads us to conclude that IOLTA revenue could be almost non-existent in 2009. The Foundation Board decided to anticipate awarding current grantees 2008-2009 levels of funding (\$24,509,100; all funds) for the 2009-2010 grant year. We are **not** entertaining requests for any additional grant funds, regardless of fund. Thus, if you do not currently receive say, BCLS funds, we will not entertain requests for new, additional or shifting of funding.

In order to seek level funding to continue the work you are currently doing on behalf of low-income Texans and funded by the Foundation, we are distributing a TAJF continuation budget & financial forms and program narrative questions for current grantees to use to request continued level funding for 2009-10. We also included a request for comparability funds as attachments to be filled out by grantees currently receiving these funds.

Completing these two documents does not guarantee funding as the Board always reserves the right not to fund a current grantee. The grant year for each of the three funds (IOLTA, BCLS & CVCLS) is September 1, 2009 to August 31, 2010

**An electronic copy of this two part “Request for Continued Funding 2009-2010 forms are due by 5:00 p.m. on March 20, 2009. It should be sent to [reports@teajf.org](mailto:reports@teajf.org). A paper copy is not necessary. Please reference the [formal grant application](#) policy as it does apply. A copy of it is attached to this e-mail. Strict attention should be given to the requirements of this policy.**

Please direct all questions related to the grant process to Jonathan Vickery at 1-800-252-3401 or (512) 320-0099 ext. 110 or at [jvickery@teajf.org](mailto:jvickery@teajf.org).

We look forward to receiving your organization’s request for continued funding for legal services work on behalf of low-income Texans.