



THE APPRAISERS RESEARCH FOUNDATION, a premier not-for-profit research organization founded by real estate appraisers, seeks proposals from graduate students, professors, and practicing appraisers for future research projects. Grants result in practical applications for the practicing appraiser. U.S. and international applications considered.

APPLY FOR A RESEARCH GRANT

“The TARF grant I received funded work on text and drawings describing key details of configurations in eminent domain access takings. My report, Measuring Access to Determine the Effect on Market Value, shows the analytic models, the steps and the results in both mathematical and graphic forms.” — Dr. M. Gordon Brown, MBA, MSc (Arch), DTech, FRICS

Benefits to the grant recipients include:

Funding may be used for research, including:

- Paying for access to needed data.
- Defraying student assistant help.
- Development of text and exhibits.
- Providing time to analyze and write.
- The expansion of the frontiers of knowledge in the appraisal field, in all appraisal disciplines, worldwide.

TARF will publish the complete research paper on TARF's website. (www.appraiserresearch.org), along with an executive summary and links to the researcher.

The author(s) retain ownership to their research and associated materials.

Funding is available to qualified individuals, corporations, associations, academic institutions and other entities.

Visit www.appraiserresearch.org for grant requirements, submission timelines and all topics of interest.

The Appraisers Research Foundation is particularly interested in applications for research related to:

- Issues relating to the appraisal of **single-family houses, condominiums, and townhouses**.
- **Water rights** and their impact on irrigated farmlands
- Trends that affect the valuation of **food processing and distribution** facilities
- Supported allocation of value components of properties that include **real estate, personality and business value**
- Alternative uses of **contaminated properties**
- **Conservation easements**
- Any significant **valuation issues**

Grants to be completed in the near future include an update to the “Home Energy Efficiency and Green Buildings: A Guide for Appraisers” and an analysis of forest conservation easements.

Examples of research funded by TARF include:

- **Home Energy Efficiency and Green Buildings: A Guide for Appraisers**
Kathy Price-Robinson
Professor of Urban and Environmental Policy and Planning, Tufts University), Monica Gregoire, and Daniel Zinder
- **Understanding and Appraising Properties with Accessory Dwelling Units** Martin John Brown and Taylor Watkins (Watkins & Associates Appraisal & Consulting), published in *Appraisal Journal* (Fall 2012)
- **Models for Estimating Depreciation in Items of Plant, Machinery and Equipment, Analysis and Proposals**
S.A. Smolyak (Professor, Central Economics and Mathematics Institute of the Russian Academy of Science), published in *Journal of Property Tax*
- **The Development of a Guide for Identifying Trout Streams and Their Contributory Value (Using Wisconsin's Driftless Area as a Template)** Richard S. Larkin, SRA
- **Property Values and the Gulf Oil Spill**
from the Center for Real Estate Studies at Mitchell College of Business
- **Adult Retirement Communities, Local Property Values, and School Quality: A Case Study of Two New Jersey Towns**
Justin B. Hollander, PhD (Assistant

Assessment and Administration (Q3 2012)

- **Body of Knowledge Issues** Don Epley,
PhD CCIM MAI (Director, Center for Real
Estate Studies, University of South
Alabama)
- **Development of GIS Curricula for
Real Estate Appraisers (an update
and expansion of the curriculum
of the class “Introduction to
GIS Applications for Real Estate
Appraisal”)**
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Silverstein, LLP