

The Tennessee Foreign Language Institute's mission is to encourage and facilitate the learning and teaching of foreign languages and enhance intercultural communication.

How is TFLI funded?

The institute serves more than 4,000 persons annually through language classes, professional development, and interpretation and translation services.

Below is a breakdown of the funds we receive from State appropriations and other sources. Our other sources include **grants** through our 501c3 fundraising arm, **donations**, and, principally, the **fees** paid for the services we provide to the community.

	<u>Actual</u> <u>2009-2010</u>	<u>Estimated</u> <u>2010-2011</u>	<u>Base</u> <u>2011-2012</u>	<u>Improvement</u> <u>2011-2012</u>	<u>Recommended</u> <u>2011-2012</u>
Operational	1,526,600	1,829,000	1,826,300	0	1,826,300
Total	\$1,526,600	\$1,829,000	\$1,826,300	\$0	\$1,826,300
State	349,100	338,100	335,400	0	335,400
Federal	0	0	0	0	0
Other	1,177,500	1,490,900	1,490,900	0	1,490,900

<http://www.tn.gov/finance/bud/documents/11-12BudgetVol1.pdf>

TFLI receives under 20% of its operating budget from the State appropriation, and we make every effort to be good stewards of the State's money. **We create jobs** for language professionals in teaching, translation and interpretation, and **provide training** for those wishing to improve their language and teaching skills. We help businesses **increase market share** through translation; we aid healthcare and public safety professionals **communicate better** with their clients and constituents; we assist new arrivals to the community in **learning English**, so they can **join the workforce**. We help individuals increase their language skillsets to **advance professionally** in a global marketplace. And, when someone with limited resources wishes to pursue a program of study, we use the donations collected to provide financial assistance.