

**DAVID J. MORAFKA MEMORIAL RESEARCH AWARD  
2021 APPLICATION FORM**

(APPLICATION DUE DECEMBER 31, 2020)

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**APPLICANT INFORMATION**

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**Name:**

**Home Mailing Address:**

**Phone Number:**

**E-mail:**

**Institution or Organization:**

**Department (if applicable):**

**Name of Research Advisor, Supervisor or Colleague:**

**Phone Number:**

**E-mail:**

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**RESEARCH INFORMATION**

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**Title of research project:**

**Location(s) where research will be conducted:**

**Permits held or expected to be obtained for the research:**

**If selected to receive the award, would you agree to report on the research at a Desert Tortoise Council Symposium?**

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Request 3 letters of recommendation, as per instructions in the announcement, and e-mail your application and CV to [grants@deserttortoise.org](mailto:grants@deserttortoise.org) as separate pdf attachments.

## **RESEARCH DESCRIPTION**

In no more than 1,200 words, describe the objectives and/or hypotheses, methods and experimental design, and any preliminary data supporting the feasibility of the project. Also, describe how the award would benefit the project (budget), and clearly indicate how the research would contribute to the biological knowledge, management and conservation of one or more gopher tortoise species in the southwestern United States and/or Mexico. Literature Cited, tables and figures do not count toward the 1,200 word limit.

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