



Thoracic Surgery Foundation

for Research and Education

TSFRE HISTORY AND MISSION

TSFRE was first established in 1988 as a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit charitable organization. The TSFRE Board of Directors was composed of members of the four leading thoracic surgery societies: AATS, STS, STSA, and WTSA. On October 1, 2014, TSFRE became the charitable arm of The Society of Thoracic Surgeons. The mission of TSFRE is to foster the development of surgeon scientists in cardiothoracic surgery; increasing knowledge and innovation to benefit patient care.

