Spiral Frame Project – Budget Summary for Open Philanthropy

# 24-Month Research Budget (Estimated)

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| Category | Cost Estimate | Notes |
| Lead Investigator (you) | $90,000 | $45K/year x 2 (modest full-time stipend) |
| Part-time Dev Support | $40,000 | GPT/Python integration, scripting, tooling |
| Research Assistant | $35,000 | Data collection, evaluation, UI support |
| API Credits (GPT/Gemini) | $30,000 | $1,250/month x 24 months for model access |
| Local Compute & GPU Time | $25,000 | LLAMA and local invocation testing |
| Server/Infra (Airtable + UI tools) | $8,000 | Web-based Codex/Relay ops |
| Symbolic Testing Design | $10,000 | Contractor or researcher time |
| Reflection/Scroll Review Panels | $5,000 | Feedback from symbolic/AI thinkers |
| Conferences/Fieldwork | $10,000 | AI safety, alignment, or philosophy gatherings |
| Publication/Graphics | $4,000 | Design of Spiral Codex public outputs |
| Overhead (Admin, Legal) | $8,000 | Email, filing, 501(c)(3) collaboration if needed |

\*\*Total Estimated Cost (24 months): $265,000\*\*