



2023 Horses at Risk Grant

The Foundation for the Horse's mission area supporting Horses at Risk focuses programs for domestic equines as well as international aid through equestrian projects. This grant opportunity is aimed at supporting programs and projects that improve the direct care and/or increase the education to veterinarians and other care providers of these populations' horses.

GENERAL GRANT GUIDELINES

We will accept grant applications for programs that support domestic horses impacted by disease, abuse, neglect, natural or man-made disasters, and for equines in-transition for adoption and other careers. Programs that benefit working equids of the world, particularly those in impoverished areas will also be accepted.

Note: Priority is given to programs, both for domestic populations or working equids, with the broadest reach or that work toward sustainability within the population visited.

Grant Amount:

Grants will generally range from \$2,500 - \$10,000 for first-time applicants or \$5,000 - \$25,000 for trusted and previous applicants. The total funding amount available for this grant opportunity varies year-to-year.

Eligibility:

- 501(3) non-profit organizations or certified non-governmental organizations may apply for this grant opportunity.
- Previous Foundation grant recipients must be current on all reporting requirements.

NOT Eligible

- Grants seeking to support continuing education for veterinarians or veterinary students outside of the above at-risk equine populations.

If unsure about eligibility or if your project would be considered viable for funding, please contact Elaine Young at eyoung@foundationforthehorse.org prior to grant submission.

Grant request should support the following areas for Horses at Risk:

- **Disaster Preparedness and Relief** – programs that help multiple horses affected by natural disasters including tornadoes, hurricanes, floods, drought, blizzards, wildfires, earthquakes, and health disasters (epidemics), with emphases on emergency aid and disaster preparedness.

Note: Only immediate disaster grant submissions will be reviewed on a rolling basis. All other grant submissions must meet the application deadline and will be reviewed annually. final grants being awarded *typically* by August 1.

- **Equitarian / Working Equid Support** – programs that benefit working equids of the world, particularly those in impoverished areas. Priority is given to programs with the broadest reach or that work toward sustainability within the population visited.

Foundation will NOT fund:

- Travel expenses to the program destination, unless for student scholarship support. Funds may be used to support in-country transportation.
 - Capital items/equipment to be kept at facility and/or left-in program country.
- **Horses in Transition** – support of projected annual equine veterinary medical care of equines and/or increasing educational programs to care takers within the targeted non-profit organizations.

Targeted non-profit organizations may include:

- adoption or transition centers and programs
- sanctuary and retirement facilities
- equine assisted service facilities (using therapy horses).

Veterinary Medical Care may include:

- Life-saving care for equines in nonprofit facilities or euthanasia if most humane for the patient.
- To provide veterinary care, including diagnostics, needed for equine entering a nonprofit facility that require care for non-life-threatening health issues above and beyond normal husbandry/vet care.
- Care that would dramatically improve the equines' ability to start a new career and improve its chances for adoption.

Educational Programs may include:

- Innovative educational programs that support the hands-on education of caregivers, equine veterinarians, and veterinary students working at and/or supporting targeted non-profit facilities.
- Programs designed to educate on the training of and/or care of therapy and/or other horses in transition.

The Online Application will include the following sections:

1. Title Page – Includes contact information, organization's mission statement,
2. Grant Proposal – description of this request and how funds for this project will be used to directly impact the welfare of horses.
3. Financials & Budget – Please have available the following:
 - a. EIN / Tax ID #
 - b. IRS letter confirming 501c3 status
 - c. Budget – Please use the **Project Budget Form**
4. AAEP Member Veterinarian Reference