



2025 Horses at Risk Equine Care & Vaccine Support Grant

The goal of this grant is to provide comfort, care and vaccines to non-profit facilities that are supporting the lives of horses at risk. The desire is to help as many horses as possible through this grant opportunity by:

1. Providing funding to support the comfort and care for horses, and/or;
2. Providing core vaccines, courtesy of [Merck Animal Health](#), to help mitigate disease.
(Formerly known as the Unwanted Horse Veterinary Relief Campaign program)

Grant Program Guidelines

Award

Vaccine Awards: A minimum of ten (10) doses may be awarded per qualifying applicant facility; however, more may be awarded based on the application.

Grant Awards: The total funding amount available for this grant opportunity in 2025 is a maximum of twenty-five (25) grants for up to \$2,500 each. Note: The Foundation does not fund capital improvements or equipment requests.

Eligibility

Nonprofits based in the Continental United States that manage/operate one or more of the following types of facilities and/or activities:

- Equine Rescue, Adoption, Rehoming, Rehabilitation, Transition, Retirement
- Equine-Assisted Learning and/or Services, Therapeutic/Adaptive Horsemanship, or Therapies Incorporating Equines
- Previous Unwanted Horse Veterinary Relief Campaign vaccine recipients
- Organizations must be an incorporated or organized legal U.S. nonprofit in good standing with the Secretary of State in the state where the organization is incorporated or organized.

Past grant recipients of The Foundation must current on all reporting requirements.

If you are unsure about your eligibility, you may contact info@foundationforthehorse.org to confirm prior applying.

Fulfillment Requirements

Accepted grants must provide a final impact report and visual elements, which allow us to promote the success of this grant program to current and potential donors. Failure to complete the commitments listed in the accepted grant agreement allows The Foundation the option to request a return of all or a portion of the funds and will limit your approval for any future funding support. Both recipients of an Equine Care Grant and/or Vaccine Support are required to follow The Foundation for the Horse on social media.

Timeline

- Applications will close on Feb. 28, 2025, at 11:59 PM EST
- Notifications of vaccine awards, by or before April 1, 2025
- Notifications of grant awards, by or before May 1, 2025

Grant Application Materials and Requirements

The Online Application will include the following sections:

Title Page:

This includes basic contact information, mission statement, and other demographic information about your organization.

Eligibility Documents & Budget:

- EIN / Tax ID#
- IRS letter confirming 501(c)3 status
- Proof of good standing with the applicable Secretary of State
- Detailed budget for how the grant funds will be used, downloading [this sample budget as a template](#).

Grant Proposal:

Each applicant will be evaluated on your overall operation as well as:

- Number of horses impacted by this grant
- Ability to provide care and comfort
- Support from other nonprofits
- Demonstrated efforts to improve your facilities and staff
- Education and outreach within your community to steward improved care for the horse

AAEP Member Veterinarian Recommendation

You will be asked to provide the name and email for your organization/facility's veterinarian for the reference. They will then complete a confidential evaluation and recommendation. Please share this [instructions for references](#) document with your veterinarian.

Please refer to this [how to apply](#) document for helpful tips. For application submission inquiries/technical difficulties, please contact eyoung@foundationforthehorse.org or (859) 233-0147.