

Notice of Grant Funding: Round 3 Equine Disaster Relief & Preparedness Fund

The Sonoma County Horse Council ("Council") is pleased to issue this Notice of Grant Funding to solicit applications from Sonoma County individuals, businesses and non-profit organizations impacted by the recent fires. Grants from \$500.00 to \$5,000.00 are available for restoration and rebuilding that improves the well-being of equines and the equine community. The Council, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, preserves and protects the health and well-being of horses and horse-related activities in Sonoma County.

The Council established the Equine Disaster Relief & Preparedness Fund ("Fund") shortly after the Lake County Valley Fire and the Council has been working on disaster preparedness protocols and training since that time. Given the devastating Tubbs and Nuns fires in Sonoma County, the current focus of the Fund, and of the Council, is disaster relief for local residents and businesses. The community has contributed generously to the Fund and the Council encourages everyone to consider making a contribution, no matter the amount, to help those in the equine community who have suffered unimaginable losses and need assistance in rebuilding. Contributions should be made payable to "Sonoma County Horse Council" and be sure to write "fire relief" in the memo field. Checks should be mailed to: SCHC, P.O. Box 7157, Santa Rosa, CA 95407. Alternately, donations can be made on-line at https://www.sonomacountyhorsecouncil.org.

<u>Purpose of Grants</u>: Grants will be made to individuals, businesses and non-profit organizations in Sonoma, Napa, Lake or Mendocino counties who demonstrate through their application that: 1) they suffered fire loss that affects equine well-being; 2) they will use grant funds as part of their effort to restore and rebuild equine infrastructure (including personal property such as tools and equipment; and 3) these grant funds are necessary because insurance, other donations, and public assistance grants combined fall short of the estimated costs of restoration/rebuilding. Grants will be provided to applicants who meet the above criteria and that have limited resources in order to initiate and complete the restoration/rebuilding process.

<u>Timing and Deadlines for Grants</u>: The Council has provided \$98,198 in grant funding already through two rounds of funding. Round 3 Grants will allocate up to \$50,000.00 in additional funding and the deadline for submitting an application is May 17, 2018. Round 3 will prioritize applicants who have not received funding in earlier Rounds.

<u>Grant Terms</u>: Applicants selected for grant funding will be asked to sign a Grant Agreement with the Council. The Agreement will ask the grantee to certify that: 1) they do not have the necessary resources to complete the restoration and rebuilding without financial assistance from the Council; 2) the grant funding will be used to restore/rebuild equine infrastructure as indicated in their application; and 3) they will provide evidence of restoration/rebuild completion to the Council in a timely fashion.

<u>Special Thanks to the Redwood Credit Union Community Funds, Inc (RCUCF)</u>.: The Council is pleased to announce receipt of a \$50,000 grant from the RCUCF and their partnership with the Press Democrat and the Office of Senator McGuire. These funds have been added to the Council's Equine Disaster Relief & Preparedness Fund.



Fire Relief Grant Application

Applica	int Name:	Cell phone #:	
Full Ad	dress:		
Email Address:		Amount requested: \$	
Applicant type:		If "Individual", please complete this box:	
	O Local Business O Individual O Local Non-Profit Agency d help with app? email K Krug at schc.mkrug@gmail.com	Gross Annual Income: O under \$83,900 Net Assets/Net Worth O under \$250,000 assuming insurance reimbursement	O over \$83,900 O over \$250,000
1.	Briefly describe the nature of your loassistance grants), including moneta	oss (not covered by insurance, other donations ary value of the loss:	s, and public
2.	Briefly describe how, and to what de applicable the equine community:	egree, this loss impacted the well-being of equ	iines, and if
3.	Briefly describe the restoration and I	rebuilding plan and where you are in the proce	ess:
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5. Briefly summarize how Council funds will be used if granted: