Harry Sebring Memorial Grant
Application Process

Thank you for your interest in applying for the Harry Sebring Memorial grant and particularly for your commitment to Morgan horses and equestrian sport.

This grant is specifically for Young Adults under the age of 40 *(at the time of application deadline)* who are AMHA members:

1) To further their equine education, skills, or proficiency; and/or
2) To provide equine related experiences and education that will further the grant recipient's business endeavors.

The grant application period opens annually on September 15 and closes on November 30 at the end of the day (5 p.m. Eastern Time).

Inquiries about grant applications or the grant process are only handled by email. Kindly email execdir@morganhorse.com with any questions or comments, and you will receive a response promptly.

Upon submission, you will receive an email at the address provided in the application as verification that your entry has been received. If you do not receive such an e-mail, please contact us. One of the paramount factors in the analysis each year of the growing number of applications is need-based and means-tested applications, and value-based applications. Please note these in your application.

All grant recipients must agree to expenditure responsibility disclosures. As part of those requirements, recipients will need to transmit a written summary of the activities that the grant funded within 45 days of expending the funds. That summary must also include a spreadsheet detailing how and to whom the funds were allocated. The expenditure responsibility requirements dictate as well that evidence be provided that the grant allocation was made for its intended purpose. This requirement can be met in the form of photos from an event, testimonials from those assisted, or otherwise.

QUESTIONS

Am I eligible to apply for a grant?
Grants may be awarded to any AMHA young adult member (under the age of 40 years old).

How is the grant money distributed?
Checks may not be made payable to the individual. However, checks may be made payable to the clinician, institution or business providing the service, unless in the case of reimbursing expenditures that are outlined and approved in the grant proposal if accompanied by the original receipt.

What types of programs, activities, and initiatives will MHF consider funding?
Applicants may request funding for ANY purpose that will further their equine education, skills, or; and/or provide equine related experiences and education that will further the grant recipient's business endeavors. It is up to the applicant to make a compelling grant request and include information regarding the audience or reach of the program, along with what they hope to accomplish with the project. The application must be accompanied by a full proposal of the idea, budget details, and proofs of any materials that will be used to promote the event and/or program.

How much funding does MHF generally give to grant recipients?
MHF will consider grants of all sizes. MHF reserves the right to award as many or as few grants as deemed appropriate based upon the grant requests received. However, MHF will not disperse more than a total of $5,000 from Sebring funds per year. MHF is not required to disperse the total amount each year and may or may not divide funds granted among more than one applicant.

When can I expect to learn if my organization will receive a grant?
The grant review committee meets to consider grants during the month following the application deadline and expects to announce its decisions shortly thereafter. However, the board reserves the right to alter the timeline. All applicants, including those not approved for funding, will be notified of the board's decisions.

What does means-tested mean?
"Means-tested" wording refers to determining need as a principal criterion in awarding grants. The committee also weighs the benefits of the program/event against the proposed budget to ensure the greatest value for the funding allocated.

What types of project costs can the grant cover?
The grant will cover any operational expenses but will NOT cover capital expenses. Applicants are asked to detail all costs associated with a project as part of the budgets they must submit with their applications. Some organizations request grants to fund projects in their entirety, while others ask for only portions of the costs. If MHF provides partial funding, payout will not occur until balances of funds are confirmed. (i.e., if the proposal calls for $4,000 total and MHF is willing to grant $1,000, then the applicant must be able to obtain the balance of funding before MHF will pay out the $1,000).

Does MHF accept multi-year proposals, or should applications be limited to a project in a certain year?
MHF will consider all proposals submitted and applicants may submit proposals in subsequent years.

How do we go about writing a compelling grant?
MHF suggests you check online resources such as http://www.content-professionals.com/How-to-Write-a-Grant-Proposal.php or http://www.fundraiserhelp.com/win-grant-funding-with-a-compelling-needs-statement.htm or http://www.dummies.com/how-to/content/grant-writing-for-dummies-cheat-sheet.html

THE MORGAN HORSE FOUNDATION

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Must be received no later than 5 p.m. (Eastern) on November 30

Remember to save forms to your computer BEFORE filling them out.
If you don't, your changes will not be saved.

Name of Person/ Business applying for grant: _____
AMHA # _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip:_____
Website: _____
Primary contact: _____
Email address for contact: _____
Phone for contact: _____

Amount Requested: _____
Application Date: _____

On a separate, attached page, answer and detail the following:

1. Describe your past & current involvement with Morgan horses.
2. Explain and describe the program for which you are requesting funds.
3. Dates of the program.
4. Detailed budget of the program.
5. Current or alternate sources of funding besides this possible grant.
6. How this program will impact your equine knowledge, skills and/or proficiency.

Please note that part of the selection process is based on your initiative, presentation, and professionalism of this application. Your submission should be a minimum of one page but a maximum of 2 pages with a 12-point font or smaller and a maximum of 1-inch margins.

Terms & Conditions

1. MHF reserves the right to use any collateral or materials provided as part of the application process for promotional purposes.

2. Applicant agreed to acknowledge MHF's grant funding on any collateral or materials, including the one-time use of the MHF logo.

3. Applicant assumes all risks and responsibilities surrounding event and releases MHF and any officers, directors, agents and employees from any and all liabilities, claims, or demands for damages for personal injury, disability, property damage or other loss of any kind that may sustain as a result of event, whether such loss results from the negligence of such released parties or otherwise (except for claims or liability arising directly from the gross negligence of such parties). Further, applicant agrees to indemnify and hold harmless MHF and the members, officers, directors, agents and employees of any of them from any and all loss, liability, damage or costs that it or they may incur as a result of participation or arising from any of my acts or omissions.

4. All press releases, website or social media news items must be jointly approved by both MHF and grant recipient.

5. Decisions regarding the award of grant funding are final. Applicants may not appeal the amount awarded or the events selected for grants.

MHF Harry Sebring Memorial Grant Recipients
Expenditure Responsibility Requirements

Remember to save forms to your computer BEFORE filling them out. If you don't, your changes will not be saved.

1. Project Date:_____

(date by which requestor expects to expend the grant funding being provided)

2. Expenditure Responsibility Pledge

Requestor agrees to provide the following information to MHF within 45 days of all grant funding being distributed.

- Written summary of 500 words or less of the activities that the grant funded
- Photograph(s) with proper release from photographer (electronic versions)
- Complete detailing of how and to whom the funds were allocated
- Evidence that the grant allocation was made for its intended purposes. This requirement can be met in the form of photos from the event, testimonials from those receiving services or another mechanism approved by MHF that demonstrates the grant allocations was made for its intended purpose.

Should you have questions about how to best fulfill these requirements, please don't hesitate to contact the grantor at execdir@morganhorse.com

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Signature of Recipient **Printed name of Recipient**

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Title **Date**

04/29/2025