

2016 Maryland Horse Industry Board Grant Recipients

Organization/Applicant	Grant Title	Use of Grant Funding	Amount	County
University of Maryland	Get it Covered! Benefits of using turfgrasses to anchor soil	Funds will be used as bridge funding to start sampling for nutritional value and wear tolerance for cool season turfgrass cultivars. Program will also pay an agricultural engineer to retrofit an aerator with hooves like a horse. The project will improve land stewardship and horse health.	\$2,800	Prince George's
Equine Rescue Regional Network	Maryland Advanced Tactical Equine Rescue Regional Network	Funds will be used to establish an equine emergency network for incidents requiring advanced tactical rescue. This will reduce response time during an emergency and provide access to properly trained personnel and equipment.	\$2,000	Carroll
MidAtlantic Equestrian Festival LLC	Maryland Horsemanship Scholarship	Funds will assist in offering scholarships, developing a Horsemanship Exam, enrolling veterinarians to perform the practicum, and public outreach. The Horsemanship Exam promotes horse health awareness to produce well rounded equestrians.	\$2,000	Prince George's
Chesapeake Therapeutic Riding	Horse Powered Learning Promotion Project	Horse Powered Learning is an innovative, hands-on educational program for elementary and middle school-aged students. Funds will help promote the program by allowing the Program Manager to travel throughout the region presenting to school faculty.	\$1,956.75	Harford
Thoroughbred Alliance Show Series	TASS Website Development	Funds will be used to help develop a website to promote the series, the breed, and the nonprofit organizations dedicated to re-homing ex-racehorses.	\$1,500	Washington
Brave HEART	Evaluation and Movement and indoor "horse" (the Equicizer)	Funds will be used to help purchase an Equicizer. The Equicizer will allow us to do client evaluations, and get a feel for the physical and mental abilities of Veterans and their families in a safe and controlled environment. This will reduce anxiety for students and volunteers.	\$1,500	Washington
Tri-County Dressage	Through the Judge's Eye, with international Judge Janet Foy	Tri-County Dressage is a chapter of the Potomac Valley Dressage Association. Funds will be used to subsidize the expense of putting on a top quality seminar. It is rare to have an international judge partake in such an educational learning opportunity.	\$1,500	Calvert
Kiddy Up with Horses	Youth Empowerment Program	Funds will be used to help defray transportation expenses for children visiting Kiddy-Up Farm and purchase educational resources for volunteers and participants.	\$1,200	Charles
Star Community, Inc	Equestrian Center and Therapeutic Farm	Funds will be used send six staff members to the November 2016 PATH Intl National Conference in Williamsburg, VA. Star Community became a PATH Intl accredited facility last fall with a perfect score.	\$1,200	Washington
Maryland High School Rodeo Association	Software and Office Equipment Purchase	Funds will be used to purchase an entry management and membership tracking software program. This software is industry standard for youth rodeo associations and will bring Maryland's newly founded chapter up to national standards. Software will provide easier access to records, performance data and standings, and will allow volunteers to better assist parents and members.	\$1,200	Baltimore

Maryland Horse Council	Audiovisual Equipment	Funds will be used to purchase audiovisual equipment to present information of interest to the Maryland horse industry in a professional manner. This will more clearly convey MHCs messages and educate and inform people about equine industry issues.	\$1,035	Montgomery
Trail Riders of Today (TROT)	Video production	Funds will be used to help produce a video to promote preserving and expanding bridle trails, and spread the word about the importance of trail-riding to the horse industry as a whole. This will promote adult education, and green space preservation.	\$1,000	Prince George's
Maryland Historic Horse Trails / E. Moyer	Anne Arundel Co Horse Heritage Sites	Funds will cover expenses involved in developing new Heritage Trail. The trail is a unique marketing venture that has already attracted national attention.	\$1,000	Anne Arundel
Days End Farm Horse Rescue	Discovery Center Tour Enhancement Project	Funds will be used for the first step in a larger project to deepen and expand the visitor's experience. A museum exhibition design firm has made recommendations to make the tour more memorable.	\$1,000	Carroll
University of Maryland Extension - Worcester Co.	Publication of Equine Disposal Guide for Maryland Equine Owners	Funds will enable the publication to be revised and printed. Publication will remain in booklet form to be distributed to equine owners throughout the state. Proper disposal is essential for disease control and addressing environmental concerns.	\$1000	Worcester
Southern Anne Arundel County Junior Riding Club	Southern Anne Arundel County Junior Riding Club	Grant funds will be used to purchase a new PA system to replace the aging equipment the club currently uses. Funds will also be used to purchase a laptop for the Riding Club to manage rider registrations and show statistics, as well as meetings, education, and presentations.	\$1000	Anne Arundel
Maryland Council of Equestrian Therapy	Maryland Challenged Equestrian Trials	Funds will be used to help host a horse show promoting the state's therapeutic riders. Funds will offset cost of rental fee for Prince George's Equestrian Center, show ribbons, and judges.	\$870	Anne Arundel
Freedom Hills Therapeutic Riding Program	PATH Registered Instructors Seminar and Exam	Funds will be used to help pay for four instructors to attend the PATH Registered Instructors Seminar. The grant will also help keep costs down for other individuals from other therapeutic riding programs to attend.	\$800	Cecil
Pasadena Horse and Pony Association	Horse Appreciation Day	Funds will be used to secure pony rides for five hours at this community event. The event introduces the public to horses and promotes interest in riding and participating in horse events.	\$650	Anne Arundel
Great and Small	Staff Education	The grant money will be used to pay for staff members' continuing education. Funds will also be used to send staff to EAGALA workshops.	\$600	Montgomery
The Retreat at Beckleysville Inc	Education	The funds will be used on books to prepare three volunteers for PATH Intl certification, and for the certification and testing held at Freedom Hills in April.	\$600	Carroll
Mason Dixon Deputies	Cowboy Mounted Shooting Clinics	Funds will be used to host one clinic during the 2016 season. The Deputies will teach riders new to the sport how to safely prepare their horses and teach good horseman skills, as well as firearm	\$550	Caroline

		safety. Clinics will showcase the fastest growing equine sport in the nation.		
Maryland Pony Breeders Inc	Lecture on "Concussions and the Equestrian"	Funds will help underwrite a lecture open to the general public, given by renowned concussion expert, Dr. Kevin Crutchfield at the Baltimore County Agriculture Center. This will be tailored to the injuries most common to equestrians, the identification of concussions, and available treatment options.	\$500	Baltimore
Greenwell Foundation	Education Station at the Greenwell Barn	Funds will be used to construct an Education Station featuring printed material for the public who visit our barn. Park visitors, program participants, and visitors can learn about horses in an interactive display and take home printed educational material. The info received will reinforce the network of Horse Discovery Centers. Small fenced area for our ponies will be set up next to Education Station every Saturday.	\$450	St. Mary's
Circle of Hope	Instructor Education and Training	Funds will be used to send two instructors and two instructors in training to a PATH Equine Specialists Certification Workshop. This will increase program capacity, and ensure the safety and well-being of program horses participating in the therapy sessions.	\$400	Montgomery
Maryland Therapeutic Riding, Inc	MTRs 20 th Anniversary Celebration and Spring Horse Show	Grant funds will purchase ribbons and awards, and establish the Maryland Horse Industry Board as an event sponsor.	\$400	Anne Arundel
Therapeutic Riding at Normandy Farm	Helmets and Saddles	Funds will be used to purchase approximately 10 new helmets. This will provide a safer experience for our riders.	\$400	Harford
De la Brooke Pony Club (USPC)	Combined Training Show, Member Library	Funds will be used to present a Combined Training to Charles County and Southern Maryland. The Club will use funds from the show to pay for educational opportunities for children. Leftover funds will be used to purchase a library of books.	\$390	Charles
Valerie Ormond	Educating Young Readers Through "Believing in Horses, Too"	Funds will be used to purchase and donate a copy of the book to a public library in every county and Baltimore city. This will educate Marylanders about horse rescue, horse showing, and equine assisted therapies.	\$380	Prince George's
Kent Association of Therapy, Inc	PATH Intl Continuing Education – Certified Instructor	Funds will be used towards instructor's continued education. He is required to maintain his credentials through continuing education. He is also responsible for the evaluation of riders, as well as their safety and the safety of the horses and volunteers.	\$200	Kent