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Dear Prospective Applicant,

The American Horse Trials Foundation is once again funding the "Chasing the Gold" Grant for 2027. This year we will be giving two different types of travel grants to individuals who have the attainable goal to successfully compete on the Eventing World Stage. It is the Foundation's mission to help strengthen and directly impact the United States ability to win medals at CCIO competitions. We will be looking for the candidate whose goals align with the mission of the American Horse Trials Foundation and the "Chasing the Gold" Grant.

A. *European Travel Grant ($30,000)*

   *Three (3) grants will be given to cover associated costs for travel, competition, and training to any European destination with the goal of competing at a CCI-4*Long or CCI-5* competition in the 2027 calendar year. The minimum criteria include athlete/horse combinations who have completed a CCI-4*Long with 0 Cross-Country jump penalties within the last two years.*

B. *North American Travel Grant ($10,000)*

   *One (1) grant will be given to cover associated costs for long distance travel, competition, and training to any North American destination with the goal of competing at a CCI-4*Long or CCI-5* competition in the 2027 calendar year. The minimum criteria include athlete/horse combinations who have completed a CIC 4*Short with 0 Cross-Country jump penalties within the last two years. The Foundation will also give priority to combinations that have not been selected for an Olympic or World Championship Team.*

In the application we ask that the applicants put forth a clear road to their success by sharing their understanding of and commitment to the training, competition, and business plan they will pursue to achieve their success.

Athletes need to submit an application via email for consideration no later than ***November 22, 2026*** *to sharynantico@gmail.com. The chosen athletes will be announced at this year's USEA Convention Awards Ceremony.*

The American Horse Trials Foundation is a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation established to assist Three Day Event Riders and Organizers in raising tax deductible financial support for national and international competition.

Good Luck to All and Best Regards,

Sharyn Antico, Executive Director

Applicant Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

USEF #: _____ FEI #: _____

Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes ☐ No ☐ Are you a current member of the AHTF? Yes ☐ No ☐

Have you ever ridden for the USEF? Yes ☐ No ☐ If so, please list Competitions and Dates: _____

1. Please indicate which Grant are you applying for:
    a. International Travel Grant ($30,000) ☐
    b. North America Travel Grant ($10,000) ☐

2. Please detail how you would utilize the funds. Please provide as many details as possible. Including the Competition(s), dates, and training program. Also tell us about the horse you intend to use this grant for and if you have an alternative horse available due to unforeseen circumstances __

3. Do you have controlling interest over your horses' training/competition plans? __

4. Outline your current training program and your philosophy towards your future goals __

5. What are your long-term and short-term goals? Please be as specific as possible __

6. *Please include a copy of your horses' competition record*

References

1. Full Name:

Relationship:

Address:

Phone: Email:

2. Full Name:

Relationship:

Address:

Phone: Email:

3. Full Name:

Relationship:

Address:

Phone: Email:

Disclaimer and signature

By signing below, I certify that my answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I agree to adhere to the policies set for receiving grants through the American Horse Trials Foundation. Funds will be disbursed upon completion of such activities as set forth by the AHTF grant reimbursement request form which reimburses for competition related expenses. I further acknowledge that if I am unable to fulfill the activities for which the grant is outlined in the given year (2027), I will forfeit any monies spent and the grant will be awarded to another event rider.

Please note that if you are not a current grant recipient of the AHTF you would need to join the Foundation by following the Grant Application process. This process must be complete no later than February 1, 2027.

Signature: _____ Date: _____