



2017 Manitoba Horse Council Recreation Grant

INVITATION TO APPLY

Manitoba Horse Council has established a fund to help promote recreational equine activities and projects throughout the province of Manitoba. Since the inception of this program in 2010, 15 projects have been supported throughout Manitoba. These projects have included trail development and construction, improvements to corrals and equine camp sites, educational clinics, equine safety and welfare.

Who can apply?

- MHC member clubs that have been members in good standing of MHC for a minimum of 12 months and whose members are MHC members
- Committees of MHC whose projects meet the required criteria
- Individual MHC members having sufficient support and resources to ensure projects are achieved

What will grants be awarded for?

Projects or programs must be for the benefit of Manitoba's recreational riders or Manitoba's horse owners as a whole, and all capital projects must be situated on public or publicly contracted lands e.g. municipal, regional or crown lands.

The following would be eligible for grants:

- equestrian trail construction
- trail and trailhead upgrade, improvement and rehabilitation
- bridge and water crossing construction, upgrade or rehabilitation
- horse camp sites and facilities such as corrals, high lines, toilets, fire rings, stock watering facilities
- horse trailer parking facilities at a trailhead or community arena
- trail & facilities signage
- community arena and facilities construction, upgrade, improvement or rehabilitation
- equestrian safety clinics open to any and all MHC members
- educational seminars related to environmental issues of horse ownership e.g. manure management, pasture management
- educational seminars related to horse welfare issues e.g. responsible breeding, basic equine nutrition, pest and parasite control, equine health and equine first aid

Clinics must be open to any and all MHC members. Educational seminars must be free of charge or at nominal cost to any and all members of the community. MHC membership should be promoted at these events.

What is the deadline to apply?

Applications must be postmarked or received by the Manitoba Horse Council **on or before January 31, 2017**.

Full eligibility criteria, Grant Application Form and Applicant Guidelines for the 2016 Manitoba Horse Council Recreation Grant are available for download on the MHC website, or by request from the MHC office at **204-925-5719** or mhc.exec@sportmanitoba.ca