

## **2017 GRANT NOTICE**

At the December 8, 2016 meeting of the Agriculture and New York State Horse Breeding Development Fund ("Fund"), the Trustees approved the Fund's budget for the 2017 calendar year which included \$150,000 in grant funding. Last year, the Fund received and reviewed eight requests for funding and awarded funding to six of those organizations. The Fund will be accepting applications for grants for 2017 which must be received by the Fund no later than January 31, 2017. Organizations that are interested should examine Sections 330 – 336 of the Racing, Pari-Mutuel Wagering and Breeding Law to determine if they qualify in addition to meeting the following guidelines adopted by the Fund:

- 1. Eligible grant recipients must be a certified 501(3)(c) not-for-profit organization whose mission reflects the Mission of the Fund and have its main office located within the State of New York;
- 2. Grant applications must clearly state the total amount of funding requested; explain the need for the grant; explain in detail the manner in which the funding will be used; and provide the project timeline; and
- 3. The applicant must also provide a budget for the project for which the funds are requested. In cases where the total project budget exceeds the grant monies being requested, the applicant must provide the total budget along with a listing of other funding sources.

The Fund will review each grant request submitted and ask those recipient organizations that meet the statutory requirements and guidelines noted above to be prepared to make a presentation at the Fund's February meeting. The Trustees will award grants based on the strength of proposal, the availability of resources and meeting the statutory mandated Mission of the Fund.

Proposals should be submitted to the Agriculture and New York State Horse Breeding Development Fund, 1 Broadway Center, Suite 602, Schenectady, New York 12305 and postmarked no later than January 31, 2017. If you have any questions, please contact a Fund's representative at 518-388-0178.