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Direct Service Funding Opportunity

On September 29, 2014, PATH Intl. was one of 69 grant awardees from the United States Department of Veteran’s Affairs to support veterans in adaptive sports.

For the period of October 1, 2014-September 30, 2015, PATH Intl. will provide $50,000 in reimbursements for direct participation equine-assisted activities and therapies at PATH Intl. Premier Accredited Centers.
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Criteria to Apply

- Be a PATH Intl. Premier Accredited Center in good standing.
- Funding must be used for Veterans and Armed Services Members (VSM) who are not eligible for funding from Wounded Warrior Project, a VA Medical Center or other funding source. This grant does not allow for duplicate payments.
- Be able to submit the approved attendance forms for reimbursement on a monthly basis, following a reimbursement schedule outlined by PATH Intl.
- Administer PATH Intl.’s post-session survey to each participating VSM for outcomes tracking purposes.
- If the center’s application is accepted, center must be able to submit a signed center agreement form and General Liability Insurance certificate.

Direct Service Delivery Information and Reporting Requirements:

As a PATH Intl. Premier Accredited Center with a Veterans and Armed Services Member (VSM) program and upon approval of your application, your Center will be eligible to receive up to $5,000 to provide therapeutic horsemanship sessions to VSM regardless of service era or nature of disability.

Allocations of $5,000 will be awarded to a minimum of 10 centers as a reimbursement for EAAT services provided for VSM. Funds will be allocated until the $50,000 is expended.

Reimbursement Breakdown:

- The $5,000 allotment will cover up to 5 VSM program participants for:
  - 10 lessons reimbursable per participant at $100 per lesson.
  - Up to $1,000 allowed per VSM program participant.

PATH Intl. will provide an attendance form for the center to complete on each VSM monthly for reimbursement.

The center will administer a post-session survey to all VSM participants prior to final reimbursements.

Scoring & Acceptance Process

- Applications will be accepted until November 30, 2014.
- A committee panel will score each application.
- A representative from the PATH Intl. office will notify the center representative if their application was accepted by December 15th, 2014.
  - Upon acceptance, centers will then be required to submit a center agreement form and copy of insurance certificate.
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Premier Accredited Center Name_________________________________________Contact Name_________________________________________

Phone Number_________________________Email Address_________________________________________

Center’s Mailing/Billing Address______________________________________________

City________________________State_________________________Zip Code____________

Physical/Location Address (Only if different from mailing address)________________________

City________________________State_________________________Zip Code____________

1. Is your program currently serving Veterans and/or Armed Services Members?  
   □ Yes  
   □ No

   If so, how many VSM are currently enrolled (participated in center activities in the past 6 months)?  
   __________________________

2. If new to providing services for Veterans and/or Armed Services Members, does your center have the appropriately knowledgeable instructors, equines, facilities and equipment? Please outline information on a separate page.  
   □ Yes  
   □ No

3. Is your center currently receiving funding through Wounded Warrior Project or a VA Medical Center? If yes, please justify your need for this additional funding.  
   □ Yes  
   □ No

4. Do you have a plan for recruitment of Veterans and/or Armed Services Members or are you currently serving Veterans and/or Armed Services Members that would utilize this funding?  
   □ Currently serving Veterans and/or Armed Services Members  
   □ Has a plan for recruitment of Veterans and/or Armed Services Members. Please detail on a separate page.

5. Without this funding, would the center have the resources to support these Veterans and/or Armed Services Members?  
   □ Yes  
   □ No
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6. Which EAAT Services are currently available at your center for Veterans and/or Armed Services Members? Please check all that apply.
   - [ ] Therapeutic Riding
   - [ ] Carriage Driving
   - [ ] Interactive Vaulting
   - [ ] Equine Facilitated Learning
   - [ ] Trail Riding
   - [ ] Equine Facilitated Psychotherapy
   - [ ] Drill Team
   - [ ] Volunteer opportunities
   - [ ] Un-mounted or ground activities
   - [ ] Camps (Single day, or multiple day)
   - [ ] Workshops
   - [ ] Other ________________________________

   On a separate page*, please provide the following information:

7. Describe the Center’s history, mission, and goals in reference to services for Veterans and/or Armed Services Members.

8. How will this funding enable the Center to build its capacity, address current limitations, or improve its ability to meet program or organizational goals?

9. Describe any programs, activities, related program or organizational accomplishments, awards or other strengths that enhance the capacity, quality or sustainability of the services provided by the Center.

10. Indicate organizational affiliation with federated funds (such as United Way) or public agencies specific to services for Veterans and/or Armed Services Members, such as partnership with a VA Medical Center, receiving Wounded Warrior Project reimbursements, other grant or funding sources for Veterans and/or Armed Services Members.

   *limited to 2 additional pages, must be typed.

Please send completed applications to Stefani Viktora-Anderson, PATH Intl. Credentialing Programs Coordinator at: sviktora-anderson@pathintl.org
   
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