



BAY AREA BARNS & TRAILS



PRESERVATION AND STEWARDSHIP GRANTS

Bay Area Barns and Trails (BABT) provides technical and financial assistance to equestrians, public and private landowners, trails associations, and community groups working together to preserve San Francisco Bay Area equestrian stables, pastures, trails, and horse camps.

Application Deadlines: March 1 and August 1

Equestrian Land and Trail Stewardship Grants: \$500 - \$2,500

***\$2500 is our maximum standard grant. Projects that meet BABT's mission and serve the public in significant ways may be considered for larger grants.**

GRANT APPLICATION

Bay Area Barns and Trails invites equestrians and organizations to submit funding requests for stewardship projects which will enhance, preserve, steward, or construct equestrian trails, stables, pastures, horse camps and staging areas in Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Mateo, San Francisco, Santa Clara, Solano, or Sonoma Counties.

Pilot Program: BABT is offering assistance to programs that provide riding experiences with the potential of creating a next generation of trail riders. Priority will be given to youth programs, with community involvement and financial need, that include components of equine care, riding, land & trails stewardship.

Priority will be given to the following projects:

- Projects that preserve, promote, create or enhance access to public trails used by equestrians.
- Equestrian facilities that are connected or adjacent to public trail networks.
- Trail drainage improvements, i.e. culverts, berms, bridges, puncheons, turnpikes, waterbars, switchbacks, cribwalls; geo-web to harden trail tread, fencing to discourage shortcutting.
- Manure management: install composting bins, windrows, etc..
- Pasture management: restore native grasses and plants, including re-seeding grazing areas and removing invasive plants, install riparian buffers.
- Support for water quality enhancement and water conservation projects (such as rainwater harvesting).
- Improvements to multi-use trails, including connectors, amenities, trail purchase easements, equestrian staging areas, purchase & development rights.
- Projects with an educational component such as those that encourage future trail riders and those that encourage participation in equestrian activities by those who have limited access to horses and nature.
- Projects that have matching funding.

In general, BABT does not fund projects for arena amenities (sand, etc..) or architectural plans.

Private Ranches: Projects must be for public benefit and open to public riding. Grants for exclusive use trails or facilities will not be considered for funding.

Grant recipients shall submit a report within one year documenting how monies were used and with what result, and provide photos, updates or videos of the final project.

Questions should be made by e-mail to morrisolder@comcast.net and cc'ing babt@sonic.net, or by phone to Morris Older at 925.254.8943 or to Lyndall Erb at 650-888-2799 before completing the form. If your application is incomplete, we may request you resubmit a complete application next grant period.



INSTRUCTIONS: Please be concise using the below fillable pdf form, then save the pdf and the name of your organization in the new file name. Please attach photos, estimates, letters of support, etc., either at the end of this application as a combined pdf, or saved as a separate document.

We prefer to receive applications by email to morrisolder@comcast.net and cc'ing babt@sonic.net. To submit your application by mail: **Morris Older, BAPT Treasurer | 53 Southwind Circle | Richmond, CA 94804**

Name (contact person) _____

Organization/business _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ E-mail _____

Organization established in _____ Current Membership/participants _____

Budget for current fiscal year _____

Project Location: County _____ City _____

Land owners/managers: _____

FUNDING REQUEST* \$

**\$2500 is our maximum standard grant. However, special grants of up to \$5,000 may be available for larger projects with matching funds.*

PARTICIPATING PRIVATE LANDOWNERS OR PUBLIC AGENCIES.

- Projects on public lands (i.e. parks or trails) must show agency approval. Projects on private lands must show owner approval. Please scan and attach a letter confirming their approval.
- If your lease/use agreement states you have the authority to make improvements or changes please include the lease or that section of the lease with verification of signatures and authority (include as an attachment).
- For projects on public lands, is the project a condition of the lease requirement? Yes No

MATCHING FUNDS or other in-kind donations (labor, materials, etc). Please include source and amount.



ORGANIZATION DESCRIPTION:

- Please provide your Mission Statement, and describe how your project is a fit with BABT's Mission Statement. Include whether you are an individual, a non profit, co-op or for profit.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

- **Purpose and need for the project.** Specific work accomplished by the project.

- **Timeline:** Please include anticipated start and end date for the project.



- **Participating community groups, volunteers, businesses or corporations.**

- **Anticipated Outcomes:** Benefit to the equestrian community, to the community as a whole and long term benefits.

- **Please describe how BABT funds will be used.** Include a detailed budget (sources of income, estimates, categories of expenses/materials/labor) as an attachment.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH:

- If the project includes expanding community outreach, please include outreach events from the previous year and the event calendar for the current year (include dates of CO, # of hours, # of participants) as an attachment.