

GALVESTON COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT

9850-A.106 Boardroom Emmett F. Lowry Expressway, Texas City

ARC PET ALLIES BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, September 14, 2022 12:00 PM

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CONSENT AGENDA: All items marked with a single asterisk (*) are parts of the consent agenda and require no deliberation by the ARC PET ALLIES Board of Directors.

APPEARANCE: A citizen desiring to make comment to the Committee shall submit a written request to the Board of Director by noon on the fifth day preceding the meeting. A statement of the nature of the matter to be considered shall accompany the request. The Directors shall include the requested appearance on the agenda and the person shall be heard if he or she appears.

QUORUM: A majority of the members (3) present shall constitute a quorum

REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING

Meeting Called to Order

*Item #1 **ACTION**.....Agenda

*Item #2 **ACTION**.....Excused Absence(s)

Item #3 **ACTION**.....Elect Vice Chairperson and Secretary/Treasure

Item #4 **ACTION**.....Select Regular Meeting Day and Time

Item #5 **ACTION**.....Consider for Approval Selection of Banking Institution

Item #6 **ACTION**.....Consider for Approval Logo for ARC Pet Allies

Item #7 **ACTION**.....Consider for Approval the Purchase of Board of Directors Polo
Shirts and T-Shirts to be made for Fundraising

Item # 8 **ACTION**.....Review Bylaws and Discuss Possible Changes

Item # 9.....Discuss Budget Development Process

Item # 10.....Discuss Pursuing Grant Applications, Donations
and Fundraisers

Item #11.....Discuss Open Meetings Act Training Requirement

Item #12.....Public Comments

Adjournment

*Tentative Next Meeting
November 19, 2022*



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ARTICLE I
PURPOSE AND OFFICES

Name

- 1.1. The name of the corporation is ARC Pet Allies (the “Corporation”).

Principal Office

- 1.2. The principal office of the Corporation in the State of Texas shall be located in the County of Galveston. The corporation may have such other offices as the Board of Directors may determine or as the affairs of the corporation may require from time to time.

Registered Offices and Registered Agent

- 1.3. The Corporation shall have and continuously maintain in Galveston County, Texas, a registered office and a registered agent, whose office is identical with such registered office, as required by the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act. The registered office may be, but need not be, identical with the principal office of the Galveston County Health District or the Galveston County Animal Resource Center and the address of the registered office may be changed from time to time by the Board of Directors.

Purpose

- 1.4. The Corporation is organized to aid ~~and act on behalf of Galveston County, Texas~~ in providing funds for the operation, maintenance, and improvement of veterinary public health programs of the Animal Resource Center of Galveston County Health District, a political subdivision of Galveston County. The purposes include: raising funds from public or private sources, obtaining grant funds, accepting any gift, donations, devise, or bequest of any property, real or personal, and to buy, sell, exchange, convey, mortgage, lease, transfer, or otherwise dispose of or deal in, at public or private sale, all forms of property, both real and personal, in order to carry out the purposes of the Corporation. The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, and scientific purposes as specified in Section 501(c)(3) of Title 26 of the Internal Revenue Code, including supporting veterinary public health, animal control, zoonotic disease prevention and control, prevention of cruelty to animals, and other animal services activities of the

Animal Resource Center of the Galveston County Health District and making distributions thereof for purposes and activities that qualify as exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law. The Corporation shall have and exercise all of the rights, powers, privileges, authority and functions given under the Texas Transportation Corporation Act and the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act.

ARTICLE II

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND MEETINGS

General Powers

- 2.1. The business affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by its Board of Directors (the "Board"). The majority of the members of the Board of Directors must be residents of Galveston County.

Number, Tenure, Qualifications, Removal

- 2.2. The number of Directors constituting the successor Board of Directors shall be four, who shall be ~~appointed~~ by the United Board of Health of Galveston County. The United Board of Health of Galveston County and the Chief Executive Officer of the Galveston County Health District may propose candidates for appointment to the Board of Directors. In addition to the voting members, the Chief Executive Officer of the Galveston County Health District or ~~his/her~~ designee shall have the option to serve as an ex-officio member and shall be authorized to vote in the event of a tie vote by the Board of Directors. ~~The initial Board of Directors shall serve until the four member successor Board of Directors is appointed by the United Board of Health.~~

A subsequent change in the number of Directors may be made only by amendment to the Articles of Incorporation subject to the approval of the United Board of Health. The United Board of Health of Galveston County shall ~~appoint~~ Directors for new terms ~~and fill any vacancy in the Board of Directors.~~ A person may not be appointed to the Board of Directors if the appointment of that person would result in less than a majority of the Board members being residents of Galveston County. The terms shall be for ~~three~~ years. Any Director may be removed by the United Board of Health whenever, in its judgment, the best interests of the Corporation would be served thereby. Directors serve at the pleasure of the United Board of Health and may be removed at any time, with or without cause, by Order or Resolution of the United Board of Health. Each Director shall hold office until a successor shall have been appointed and qualified except when a Director is removed by action of the United Board of Health then the Director's term ends upon termination.

The United Board of Health shall appoint the Chair of the Board of Directors.

Regular Meetings

- 2.3. The Board of Directors may provide by resolution entered in its minutes for the date, time, and place for the holding of regular quarterly meetings of the Board. All meetings of the Board of Directors must comply with the Texas Open Meetings Act and these Bylaws.

Special Meetings

- 2.4. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the Chair of the Board of Directors or any two Directors. The person or persons authorized to call special meetings of the Board may fix the time and place for the holding of any special meeting of the Board called by them.

Notice

- 2.5. Notice of any meeting of the Board of Directors, shall be given to each Director, to the Chief Executive Officer of Galveston County Health District, and to the Director of the Animal Resource Center, at least 72 hours previously thereto by written notice delivered personally or sent by email or mail to each at the addresses shown by the records of the Corporation and by the posting of a notice in compliance with the Open Meetings Act. The Corporation is subject to the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, as amended from time to time. Public notice of meetings shall be given in the manner prescribed for by the United Board of Health of Galveston County. If mailed, notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail so addressed with postage thereon prepaid.

Quorum

- 2.6. Three members of the Board of Directors constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting.

Manner of Acting

- 2.7. The act of a majority of the Directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Directors, unless the act of a greater number is required by law or by these Bylaws.

Vacancies

- 2.8. Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors and any directorship to be filled by reason of an increase in the number of Directors shall be filled by the United Board of Health of Galveston County from a list of candidates proposed by the United Board of Health of Galveston County or the Chief Executive Officer of the Galveston County Health District. A Director appointed to fill a vacancy shall be appointed for the unexpired term of the predecessor in office.

Compensation

- 2.9. No part of the income or revenues of the Corporation shall ever be paid to or inure to the benefit of any Director except for the reimbursement of actual expenses incurred in connection with the business affairs of the Corporation, and no such reimbursement of expenses shall be made unless approved by a majority vote of the remaining Directors.

Conflict of Interest

- 2.10. The Board of Directors shall adopt a Conflict of Interest Policy in conformity with federal laws and regulations relating to tax-exempt organizations and shall review the Conflict of Interest Policy at least annually for compliance and for conformity to federal and state directives relating to tax-exempt organizations.

ARTICLE III

OFFICERS

Officers of the Corporation

- 3.1. The Corporation shall have a President, who shall be the Chair of the Board of Directors, a Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer and such other officers as may be elected in accordance with the provisions of this Article. The United Board of Health of Galveston County shall ~~appoint~~ the Chair of the Board and Directors and may appoint a new Chair at its discretion. The Board of Directors of ARC Pet Allies may elect or appoint such other officers, as it deems desirable, to have the authority to perform the duties prescribed from time to time by its Board of Directors. One person may hold two or more offices, except that the offices of President and Secretary may not be held by the same person.

Election and Term of Office

- 3.2. Except for the Chair, who shall be appointed by the United Board of Health, the officers of the Corporation shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors of ARC Pet Allies. New offices may be created and filled at any meeting of the Board. Each officer shall hold office until his or her successor shall have been duly elected.

Removal from Office

- 3.3. Any officer elected by the Board of Directors may be removed from elected office by the Board of Directors, or by Order of the United Board of Health of Galveston County whenever, in its judgment, the best interests of the Corporation would be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the officer so removed.

Vacancies

- 3.4. A vacancy in any office, other than Chair, due to death, resignation, removal, disqualification, or otherwise may be filled by the Board of Directors for the unexpired portion of the term.

President

- 3.5. The President is the member of the Board of Directors who is ~~appointed~~ Chair by the United Board of Health of Galveston County and shall be the principal executive officer of the Corporation who shall exercise general supervisory control over the business affairs of the Corporation. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board. The President may sign, with the Secretary or any other proper officer of the Corporation authorized by the Board of Directors, any instruments that the Board of Directors has authorized to be executed, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors, these Bylaws or by statute to some other officer or agent of the Corporation. The President shall perform all duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time.

Vice-President

- 3.6. The Vice-Chair is a member of the Board of Directors and in the absence of, or in the event of the inability or refusal of the Chair to perform his duties, shall perform the duties of the Chair, succeed to the authority of, and assume the responsibilities and powers of the office of Chair. The Vice-Chair shall perform such other duties as are prescribed by the Board of Directors or assigned by the Chair.


Secretary

- 3.7. The Secretary shall be responsible for keeping the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors, see that all notices are duly given in accordance with these Bylaws and as required by law, be the custodian of records of the Corporation and in general perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned by the Chair or the Board of Directors.

Treasurer

- 3.8. The Treasurer shall have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the Corporation; receive and give receipts for monies due and payable to the Corporation from any source whatsoever, deposit all such monies in the name of the Corporation in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as shall be selected in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws; and in general perform all the duties as from time to time may be assigned by the Chair or Board of Directors.

Bond of Officers

- 3.9.  required by the Board of Directors, the Treasurer and/or each Director shall give bonds for the faithful discharge of their duties in such sums and with such sureties as the Board of Directors shall determine. The Board of Directors shall maintain in force a fidelity bond in its own name on its Directors, Officers, and agents in an amount to be determined by the Board of Directors or the United Board of Health.

ARTICLE IV

CONTRACTS, CHECKS, DEPOSITS, FUNDS, AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Contracts

- 4.1. The Board of Directors may authorize any Director or agent of the Corporation in addition to an Officer so authorized by these Bylaws, to enter into a contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation. Such authority may be general or confined to specific interests.

Checks and Drafts

- 4.2. All checks, drafts, or orders for the payment of money, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the Corporation, shall be signed by such officer or officers, agent or agents of the Corporation and in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the Board of Directors. In the absence of such determination by the Board of Directors, such instruments shall be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Chair of the Corporation.

Deposits

- 4.3. All funds of the Corporation shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Corporation in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as the Board of Directors may select.

Gifts

- 4.4. The Board of Directors may accept on behalf of the Corporation any contribution, gift, bequest or devise for the general purposes or for any special purpose of the Corporation. The Corporation is prohibited from making a gift except to the Galveston County Animal Resource Center of the Galveston County Health District in support of a public purpose of the Animal Resource Center's ~~veterinary health program and the other~~ purposes for which this Corporation is formed.

Grants

- 4.5. The Board of Directors may solicit and accept grant funds for the support of Animal Resource Center and the purposes of the Corporation.

Annual Budget

- 4.6. The Board of Directors shall ~~submit an annual operating and capital budget to the Chief Executive Officer of Galveston County Health District and to the United Board of Health for review and approval,~~



Prohibited Actions

- 4.7. The Corporation is prohibited from taking final action on the following without the approval of the United Board of Health.
- 4.7.1 Any transaction involving real property.
 - 4.7.2 Any mortgage, encumbrance, or debt of the Corporation in excess of \$25,000.
 - 4.7.3 The sale or other disposition of property of any kind exceeding \$25,000.
 - 4.7.4 The purchase or acquisition of property of any kind by the Corporation exceeding \$25,000 and not included in the Corporation's annual operating and capital budget.
 - 4.7.5 All grants and payments of more than \$25,000, including guarantees, that are not included in the Corporation's annual operating and capital budgets.
 - 4.7.6 Any deviation of 25% or more, \$25,000 or more, whichever is higher, from the Corporation annual operating budget.
 - 4.7.7 Any merger, affiliation, dissolution, or other disposition of the Corporation.

ARTICLE V

BOOKS AND RECORDS

Books

- 5.1. The Corporation shall keep correct and complete books and records of accounts and shall also keep summary-type minutes of the proceedings of its Board of Directors and committees of the Board of Directors, and shall keep at its registered or principal office a record giving the names and addresses of the Directors entitled to vote. All books and records of the Corporation may be inspected by any Director, the United Board of Health, the Chief Executive Officer of the Galveston County Health District or ~~his/her~~ designee, the Chief Financial Officer of the Galveston County Health District or ~~his/her~~ designee and any member of the Galveston County Commissioners Court for any purpose at any reasonable time.

Open Records

- 5.2. Records compiled or maintained by the Corporation are subject to public disclosure under the Texas Public Information Act, chapter 552 of the Texas Government Code, as amended from time to time.

ARTICLE VI

FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the Corporation shall be from January 1 to December 31.

ARTICLE VII

WAIVER OF NOTICE

Subject to the provisions of these Bylaws, whenever any notice is required to be given under the Non-Profit Corporation Act or under the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation, a waiver thereof in writing signed by the person or person entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice.

ARTICLE VIII

PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in the Modern Edition of Robert's Rules of Order, as amended, shall govern meetings of the Board of Directors and its committees in all cases except when such rules are in conflict with these Bylaws or the laws of this State. In the event of conflict, these Bylaws shall control unless the laws of Texas specifically provide otherwise.

ARTICLE IX

POLICIES

The Corporation's policies and procedures shall not be adopted until and unless approved by the Chief Executive Officer of the Galveston County Health District or ~~his/her~~ designee.

ARTICLE X

AMENDMENT

Vote

- 10.1. These Bylaws and/or the Articles of Incorporation may be altered, amended, or repealed, and new bylaws may be adopted by vote of three-fourths (3/4) of the Directors if at least three (3) days written notice is given of intention to alter, amend, or repeal, or to adopt new bylaws at such meeting.

Approval by United Board of Health

- 10.2. The Bylaws and any amendment of the Bylaws or the Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation must be approved by the United Board of Health of Galveston County and shall become effective upon approval of the amendment, alteration, repeal, or new Bylaws or new Articles of Incorporation by Order of the United Board of Health.

ARTICLE XI

DISSOLUTION

Tax Exempt Status

- 11.1. The Corporation is prohibited from taking any action that is likely, as determined by the Chief Executive Officer or the Chief Financial Officer of the Galveston County Health District, to jeopardize the Corporation's status as an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of Title 26 of the United States Internal Revenue Code or otherwise jeopardize the Corporation's federal tax exemption.

Disposition of Assets

- 11.2. Upon dissolution, all assets of the Corporation go to the Animal Resource Center of the Galveston County Health District for the benefit of the veterinary public health program.

Adopted the _____ day of _____, 20__ .

Print Name: _____
CHAIR
ARC PET ALLIES

Galveston County Animal Resource Center

Grant Research & Status

September 14th, 2022

Grants Submitted to Date:

Petco Foundation – Animal Welfare Organizations

- Offered the opportunity to submit at the Houston Mega Adoption Event
- Application is due on Thursday, Sept. 15th
- Cannot request a specific amount but have asked for transport vehicle and/or promotional items (signs, branded table cloths, pop-up sun canopy)

American Humane Society – Feed the Hungry COVID-19 Fund

- Request for Pet Food Donation
- Submitted application – 7/27/2022

Houston Pet Set

- Completed and submitted 2022 Letter of Intent – May 2022.
- Submitted as 501©(3)
- Eligible – if your organization is a 501c3 based in or providing support to meet critical animal welfare needs in Greater Houston area.
- Submitted application on July 22, 2022
- Requested \$2500 for operating costs

In Progress/Under Review:

Petfinder Foundation

- Disaster and response, senior pet adoption grants, play yard renovation and more.
- Each grant offers a separate application. Ex: Playground renovation
- To apply for their grants --- must be an active member of Petfinder.
- **Registered to become member and received membership number - July 2022**

Petco Love Foundation

Completed application which allows ARC to submit grants and other funding opportunities – **July 2022 – Have not received response yet**

PetSmart Foundation

Completed application which allows ARC to apply for grants and other funding. DATE? 2-3 months for response to application.

- Adoption Prep
- Transport

Bissell Foundation

- Currently closed - Check back in Spring 2022 --- **To CALENDAR**
- Must join Partners for Pets six months prior to applying for grants -- **Completed and turned in application – July 2022**
- **Empty the Shelters**
- **Spay and Neuter**
- **Disaster Relief & Emergency Response**
- **Transport**
- **Microchipping**
- **Vaccinations**
- **Healing Heartworm**

ARC –Potential Funding Opportunities

VCA Charities Grants Program <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adoption readiness, vet care, disaster relief• Max Amount: \$10,000• Not accepting applications at this time. – keep checking back.
Pedigree Foundation <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Opens March 1, 2022, Closed May 8th, 2022• Dog Adoption – three different opportunities<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Dogs Rule: \$50K/year for two years --- innovative projects2. Program Development: Up to \$15K for transport and foster3. Covid -19 Relief Funds --- Up to \$2500
Meacham Foundation Memorial Grant <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Closed for FY 2022 and open application dates will be announced at a future date for FY 2023• To provide financial assistance to agencies for shelter expansion or improvements• Grants may be awarded in any amount up to \$4000
American Humane Society – Second Chance Grants <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Help offset costs for rescuing homeless animals or victims of human cruelty. Facilitate lifesaving efforts• Apply on an as-needed basis - Applications may be for one or multiple animals
Binky Foundation <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 501©(3) only – Pet Allies• First Steps Grant --- talk to Jen re: requirements – Add to calendar.• Grants up to \$1000• No food or medical support for individuals
Animal Farm Foundation <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 501©(3) only – Pet Allies• Equal treatment and opportunity for pit bulls

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need to submit letter of inquiry • Talk to Jen re: requirements – Add to calendar.
<p>American Humane: Meacham Foundation Memorial Grant for Organizations & Public Agencies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Animal environment & enrichment • Equipment for veterinary care AND S/N • Kennel or cattery renovation • Equipment that positively impacts the welfare of animals in shelter • Up to \$4000 • Application Deadlines: April 30 and October 31st --- Add to Calendar
<p>Dogs USA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spay/Neuter, Increasing adoptions, responsible dog ownership • Up to \$25,000 • Missed 2022 Submission which was 1/1/2022 to 3/1/2022 Add to Calendar • DOGS only
<p>Jason Debus Heigl Foundation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Affordable Spay & Neuter, animal abuse • 501©(3) ONLY – Pet Allies or Possible funding for a rescue that takes in ARC shelter dogs • Grant range --- \$5000 - \$35,000 • Rolling Deadline • Complete application – very simple
<p>Banfield Medical Equipment Grant</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide funding and medical supplies to government agencies that deliver veterinary care to owned pets through on-site, mobile, or pop- up clinics • Reread and check with Monique
<p>Petfinder Foundation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disaster and response, senior pet adoption grants, dogs playing for life, play yard renovation and more. Each grant offers a separate application • To apply for any of their grants --- animal welfare groups must be an active member of Petfinder.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 2022- Registered to become member and received membership number
<p>Summerlee Foundation :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be a 501(c)(3) public charity organization as defined by the IRS • Accepting Letters of Inquiry beginning October 1, 2022 for the February 2023 Board of Directors Meeting. (Please do not submit proposals or LOIs at this time.) • Dogs only in the United States, Latin America or living in First Nations/Native American communities – Emphasis on sterilization, vaccination, and humane euthanasia. -
<p>Walmart Local Community Grant</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus: Local Communities • Amount: \$250-\$5000 • Eligible nonprofit organizations must operate on the local level (or be an affiliate of a larger organization that operates locally and directly benefit the service area of the facility from which they are requesting funding. If you shelter is offering spay/neuter or other services to the local community, you should apply. <p>https://walmart.org/how-we-give/local-community-grants</p>
<p>Moody Foundation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter of inquiry – can include up to three projects • The Moody Foundation is not just for animal related organizations but do offer nonprofits the opportunity to receive a grant for work that will impact their community.
<p>Rachael Ray Grants – Best Friends Network Partners</p> <p>Next grant cycle opens on September 1, 2022.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Rachael Ray No-Kill Excellence Grants 2. Rachael Ray Save Them All Grant <p><u>South Central Region Grant Priorities :</u></p> <p>1) projects that increase live outcomes by starting, expanding, or improving adoption, transport/transfer, return home, or shelter-neuter-return program,</p>

2) projects that increase community capacity to care for pets, thereby reducing shelter intake.

Best Friends Network Partners -- Indicates that ARC is already a partner

Can municipal shelters participate? - strongly encourage municipal shelters to become network partners.

Feeding Furry Friends

Animal welfare organizations that have a valid, non-revoked IRS Determination Letter establishing their 501(c)(3) status apply for pet food grants.

<https://feedingfurryfriends.org/goods-program>

OTHER:

Banfield's New Shelter Program

Registered shelters can receive free office visits and 25% off applicable products and services. Need to go into store to register.

Disaster Assistance for ARC

(Natural disasters, puppy mills and hoarding situations)

Pedigree Foundation

- Provide disaster relief grant to nonprofit animal welfare organizations impacted by natural disasters or emergency care for puppy mill seizures.
- These grants are available year-round to address natural disasters, puppy mill seizures or hoarding situations. They can be applied for all year long through a separate application process, [available here](#).

<https://www.pedigreefoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Disaster-Relief-and-Emergency-Care-for-Puppy-Mill-Seizures-Grant-Application-and-Guidelines-V7.pdf>

VCA Charities: Supporting Pets and People During Disaster

- Disaster Relief Grants provide financial support to animal welfare organizations whose communities have suffered the impact of natural or other disasters.
- Grants may also support partnering organizations assisting in rescue, relief, and transport efforts.
- Eligible expenses include medical supplies, veterinary care, pet food and pet supplies (including crates), temporary shelter and boarding costs for rescued or at-risk pets, other immediate materials (cleaning supplies, bedding, blankets, etc.) to keep pets safe and comfortable, transportation costs to rescue or relocate pets, and other expenses related to providing disaster relief, including overtime salaries, rental equipment, facilities, and cleanup costs.
- Applicants may apply for immediate funding or may request reimbursement up to three months post disaster.

The maximum grant award is \$10,000. However, we are not accepting applications at this time. Please check back for updates.

BANFIELD Foundation: **Disaster Relief Grants**

- Disaster Relief Grants provide financial support to nonprofit animal organizations and local/state government agencies whose communities have suffered the impact of natural or other disasters.
- Applications may be submitted at any time.

<https://www.banfieldfoundation.org/Banfield-Foundation-Grant-Programs>

- Mission statement
- Donated washer/dryer

- Mobile adoption Unit --- cost?
- Need – set of stats, a “story’ to tell
- Moody Foundation – submit letter of inquiry

<https://www.dogstrustusa.org/our-grants/>

Rheoming , vet care, spay and neuter

The next round of Dogs Trust USA grant funding will open in 2022. Grant applications can be submitted from the **1st January 2022** until the **1st March 2022** only. Applications will be reviewed thereafter and we will aim to provide a decision on the outcome of applications by **31st August 2022**.

<https://www.bissellpetfoundation.org/grant-guidelines-eligibility-requirements/>

he BPF Partner Grant cycle opens twice a year, typically in the spring and fall, pending availability of funds. An invite for the grant application will not be distributed, organizations must watch our website's grant webpage for the announcement. **Requesting funding outside of the current cycle's focus will result in an automatic denial of the application.** For questions related to the Partner Grant, please contact BISSELL Pet Foundation's Grant and Program Specialist, Rachel Young, at rachel.young@bissell.com.

Your organization must:

- Actively help to reduce the number of homeless animals in the community through one or more of the following activities: spay/neuter, microchipping, and/or adoption.
- Be a member in good standing of the BISSELL Pet Foundation's Partners for Pets (P4P) program for at least 6 months (from application *approval*) prior to submission of a grant application which includes:

- First time BISSELL Pet Foundation Partner Grant Recipients will be limited to \$5,000.
- All awards are capped at \$10,000. Please do not request an amount significantly above this recommendation.

Still To Research:

Feeding Furry Friends

Animal welfare organizations that have a valid, non-revoked IRS Determination Letter establishing their 501(c)(3) status apply for pet food grants.

<https://feedingfurryfriends.org/goods-program>

Rachael Ray Grants – Best Friends Network Partners

Next grant cycle opens on **September 1, 2022**.

3. The Rachael Ray No-Kill Excellence Grants
4. Rachael Ray Save Them All Grant

South Central Region Grant Priorities : 1) projects that increase live outcomes by starting, expanding, or improving adoption, transport/transfer, return home, or shelter-neuter-return program, 2) projects that increase community capacity to care for pets, thereby reducing shelter intake.

Best Friends Network Partners -- Indicates that ARC is already a partner

Can municipal shelters participate? - strongly encourage municipal shelters to become network partners.

What if my organization is not currently a 501(c)(3) but has started in the application process to become one? – We do require that organizations have their 501(c)(3) nonprofit status before applying to become a partner.

What is required once my organization becomes a network partner? - Network partners are required to report annual statistics to Best Friends through our online submission form. Network partners are encouraged to report intake and outcome data on a monthly basis using [Shelter Animals Count](#). In order to be eligible for participation in our adoption and fundraising promotions and events, and to be considered for financial aid or grants, this monthly data must be reported consistently each month. Reporting your intake, outcome and spay/neuter statistics, which is essential to assessing our strength as a coalition working to save lives, is an ongoing requirement for network partnership. [Click here](#) to learn more about reporting your stats.

<https://network.bestfriends.org/join-us/become-network-partner#muni>

Laura J. Niles Foundation

<https://www.lauraniles.org/grant-application.html>

Doris Day Foundation

<https://www.dorisdayanimalfoundation.org/grants/guidelines-and-faq>

William & Charlotte Parks Foundation for Animal Welfare

The Parks Foundation makes awards, usually not more than \$10,000 per annum, to support projects, research, and other activities calculated to advance the welfare of animals. The application should describe the need for the project (e.g., how will the status of animals be improved), outline its basic protocols, and discuss its feasibility, the likely chance of its success, and the methods by which it will be evaluated. The applicant organization should provide a projected annual budget and time for completion, and list other entities that have been approached for financial support, and the stage these applications have reached. The qualifications of the project director should also be provided. Proposals will be judged by a number of criteria, including originality, potential impact on animal welfare, the number of animals affected, the project's time frame, and feasibility, the track record of the applicant, the need for the program or data, the public accountability of the organization, and the likelihood of achieving other sources of funding.

<https://www.parksfoundation.org/types-of-grants>

Maddies Fund

Resources for Animal Welfare Grants

<https://charitypaws.com/grants-animal-shelters-rescues/>

<https://www.treatva.com/grants>

Per mandate from the 79th Legislature, elected and appointed public officials are required by state law to receive training in Texas open government laws (*Public Information Act and Open Meetings Act*). To meet this mandate, here are three options:

1. If you have already completed training this year, please provide a copy of both certificates of completion for the Health District file;
2. You may borrow the Health District DVD to view the training on *Public Information Act* **and** on *Open Meetings Act*; when you have viewed the DVD and return it to me, I will print out your certificates for you;
3. You may go the Attorney General's website: <https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/open-government/governmental-bodies/pia-and-oma-training-resources/open-meetings-act-training> to view it on line and provide me a copy of both certificates of completion for the Health District file.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (409) 938-2273 or email awolff@gchd.org.