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--- 1. Brief mission statement and describe the distinguishing features of your organization that supports the mission of TERF and the relevance to this proposal. ---

Viva Rescue is dedicated to the rescue, rehabilitation, and permanent sanctuary of neglected, abused, and medically compromised animals, with a focus on equines and farmed animals. Our mission is to provide a sanctuary where each animal receives compassionate care and holistic healing, along with sanctuary care to live a dignified and enriched life.

Distinguishing Features Supporting TERF's Mission:

- 1. Holistic Rehabilitation and Comprehensive Care: At Viva Rescue, we use a diverse range of therapies, including massage, red light therapy, reiki, and music therapy, among other modalities, to support the mental and physical healing of rescued animals. This innovative approach to animal care is in line with TERF's commitment to advancing best practices in Thoroughbred welfare. Our equine residents benefit from specialized diets, continuous meals, and round-the-clock care, including night checks and frequent water quality monitoring. This comprehensive care model supports TERF's mission to enhance the health and welfare of Thoroughbreds, as these practices are applied to the Thoroughbreds in our programs.
- 2. Permanent Sanctuary: Viva Rescue offers a permanent, safe haven for horses and other animals rescued from abuse, neglect, or slaughter-bound situations. Our sanctuary provides expansive pastures, ongoing care, and specialized therapies to ensure the long-term well-being of each resident. This enduring commitment to animal welfare aligns closely with TERF's goals.

3. Educational Programs: We are committed to educating the public about animal welfare and proper care practices through various outreach programs and community engagement initiatives. This educational focus supports TERF's objective of promoting knowledge and best practices in equine care.

The mission and activities of Viva Rescue are directly aligned with TERF's objectives of enhancing Thoroughbred welfare through innovative care and education. By supporting Viva Rescue, TERF can further its mission to improve the lives of Thoroughbred horses through our comprehensive, and compassionate care practices.

- --- 2. Briefly outline 3-5 goals for the requested funds and how these goals support your mission. ---
- 1. Veterinary Care for Thoroughbreds at Our Sanctuary

The grant funds will help provide routine and innovative veterinary care that we provide to all ten horses in our sanctuary, with a special focus on our two thoroughbreds. Our commitment over the years to innovative and high-quality care includes using advanced technologies like the FastTrack orthotic from HorsePower Technologies and providing essential surgeries and treatments whenever needed. Last year, we invested \$40,000 in veterinary care for our sanctuary residents. With these funds, we can continue offering both routine and cutting-edge veterinary treatments, ensuring every horse, including our thoroughbreds, receive the best possible care.

2. Expand Educational Outreach at Our Events

We engage with hundreds of visitors annually and reach thousands more online, offering education and information about the equine residents at the sanctuary. The funds will allow us to develop and distribute more educational materials that enhance our outreach efforts. By improving our educational resources, we can better inform the public about our equine residents, including our thoroughbreds, and raise awareness about their needs and the mission of our sanctuary.

3. Support General Sanctuary Care for All Horses

Maintaining the well-being of all horses in our sanctuary involves significant daily and annual expenses. The funds will support our sanctuary care, ensuring each horse, specifically our thoroughbreds, receive the high-quality care they deserve. This support will help us provide the comprehensive, innovative sanctuary retirement that they deserve.

--- 3. Provide a detailed description of the proposed project, how it is related to the mission of TERF and how it will impact the health and welfare of the horse. (Note: research applications should be understandable to a non-scientific audience and include sufficient detail and rigor for the scientific reviewers.) ---

Veterinary Care for Thoroughbreds in Our Sanctuary:

The requested funds will support routine veterinary care for the two thoroughbreds currently residing at our sanctuary. We provide both routine and advanced medical care to ensure the best care for resident horses throughout their lifetimes. The funds will help cover regular check-ups, vaccinations, dental care, and emergency treatments. Additionally, we will continue to utilize innovative rehabilitative care for thoroughbreds recovering from injuries so they can live their best lives out after their careers.

Expand Educational Outreach Focused on Thoroughbreds:

Education is a vital component of our mission, and we will continue to raise awareness about thoroughbred sanctuary care for horses who are in critical need of our services. The funds will enable us to create and distribute educational materials specifically focused on thoroughbreds, highlighting their unique needs, and stories. This includes informative brochures, and online resources. By educating visitors and our online audience, we aim to foster a deeper understanding and appreciation for thoroughbreds, ultimately promoting better care and support for these animals after their careers are over.

General Sanctuary Care Tailored to Thoroughbreds:

Maintaining the well-being of our thoroughbreds at the sanctuary involves significant daily and annual expenses. The funds will support essential aspects of their care, including high-quality nutrition, and comfortable living environments. Thoroughbreds often have specific dietary and physical needs that require dedicated resources like additional grain and supplements for weight management. This funding will ensure that we can continue to meet these needs, providing our thoroughbreds with the exceptional care they deserve for the entirety of their lives at our sanctuary.

Our proposed project aligns perfectly with TERF's mission:

- 1. Education: By expanding our thoroughbred-focused educational outreach, we will increase public awareness and knowledge about thoroughbred care and welfare, supporting TERF's goal of education.
- 2. Research and Innovation: Our use of advanced veterinary treatments and rehabilitative technologies aligns with TERF's commitment to advancing thoroughbred health through innovative care practices. Our middle name is innovation here at Viva and we are excited to partner to support thoroughbreds in need.
- 3. Welfare: Providing the best, specialized sanctuary care for our thoroughbreds directly contributes to their welfare, a core focus of TERF's mission.

In short, by focusing on education, innovative veterinary care, and lifelong support, we are fully committed to TERF's mission of advancing thoroughbred welfare. We would be honored to partner with TERF to continue advancing the care, education, and sanctuary that all thoroughbreds deserve!

--- 4. Provide a timeline detailing the expected progress of the project and specific milestones. ---

We expect to complete the project within 12 months of receiving funds. Our goal is to educate 500 guests, and cover care for 2 retired OTTB's at the sanctuary.

--- 5. Provide a detailed budget for the projected use of the funds. (Note: no funds will be provided for administrative overhead or capital spending; TERF reserves the right to modify funding based on Foundation requirements). Attach budget to submitted proposal as needed. ---

Detailed Budget for Projected Use of Funds 1. Routine and Emergency Veterinary Care for Thoroughbreds

Regular Check-ups and Preventive Care: \$2,000 Covers vaccinations, dental care, and general health assessments for our two thoroughbreds, ensuring they stay healthy and well-cared for. Emergency Medical Care: \$1,000 Provides immediate treatment for unexpected health issues. If emergencies don't arise, this amount will extend our preventative care, keeping our horses in top shape.

2. Educational Outreach Development

Educational Materials Production: \$1,000 Funds will go towards creating and printing brochures, posters, and flyers about thoroughbreds, as well as running targeted social media campaigns to spread awareness and educate the community.

3. General Sanctuary Care for Thoroughbreds

Grain and Supplements for Six Months for Two Horses: \$1,000 Ensures our thoroughbreds receive the specialized feed and supplements they need to stay healthy and strong for the next six months. Total Budget Request: \$5,000

This budget outlines how the \$5,000 grant will be spent to support our thoroughbreds by maintaining their health, educating the public, and providing essential sanctuary care. We are dedicated to making the most of the support from TERF to enhance the welfare of these remarkable horses.

--- 6. Provide a list of all other sources of funding and the amount(s) received. ---

Our organization is dedicated to securing sponsorships for every equine in our care to ensure the sustainability of our sanctuary program. Right now, our two thoroughbreds are without sponsors, and we urgently need support to maintain their high-quality care. TERF's assistance would be an invaluable gift for these horses, who have endured so much throughout their racing careers and multiple transitions before finding their safe haven with us. Currently, their care expenses are being covered by our general fund, which is not sufficient for their long-term needs. Your support would make a meaningful difference in their lives.

--- 7. Briefly summarize your charity's past public education and research efforts. ---

We are passionate about raising awareness of the challenges thoroughbreds face after their racing careers and the lack of safe havens available to them. Last year, we connected with 500 people in person through meet-and-greet events featuring our OTTB residents, and reached thousands more online with engaging and educational social media posts. While we don't conduct extensive independent research, we focus on educating our community and fellow equestrians about the critical need for thoroughbred advocacy. Our two mascot thoroughbreds are particularly effective educators, welcoming student groups, school tours, and families, and helping to spread the message about the importance of thoroughbred care and support.

--- 8. If you received funding from TERF previously, describe how these funds were used and outcomes achieved. Include any relevant publicity your charity received relating to the funding. (i.e.: media coverage, such as news articles, scientific publications, provide links to copies, as appropriate). ---

N/A

--- 9. List other organizations or major contributors that have provided funding to your organization in the last calendar/fiscal year. For research grant applications, provide a list of all current funding relating to your current proposal. ---

Louise Linton Charitable Fund

Arctic Fox Hair Color

--- 10. Name a responsible person with whom TERF may communicate regarding specific questions and who will be responsible for follow-up information regarding the project. ---

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--- 11. Provide appropriate references to support the proposed research. ---
N/A
--- 12. How many Executive Staff and Board of Directors does your organization have? ---
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--- 1. Name - Job Title ---
Kalli Quigg - Animal Care Manager
--- 1. Salary ---
$24,000
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--- 1. Duties ---

Paid for parr time animal care manager duties, manages our team of 50 unpaid weekly volunteers.