



Small Organization Support Program (SOS)

Background: Florida Animal Protection Foundation (FAPF), goal is to improve methods and standards of animal protection and control programs throughout Florida. FAPF recognizes that many small agencies have very limited financial resources to apply to operational improvements or education opportunities for employees. Therefore, through efforts such as the silent auction at the Annual Educational Conference, scholarship sponsorship, and donations, FAPF has developed a Small Organization Support program for the purpose of providing financial support to qualifying member organizations to assist with an improvement effort, initiative, or approved training (animal control officer, euthanasia technician, chemical immobilization, or annual FAPAA/FAPF conference attendance).

Eligibility: Any small organization that received SOS funds in 2023, will not be eligible for funding in 2024, as this opportunity is limited to once every two years. Additionally, in order to be eligible for the Small Organization Support program, an organization must:

1. Be a regular Agency Member of FAPAA in good standing for both 2023 and 2024.
2. Provide the animal protection and control function in their community
3. Have twenty-five (25) or fewer employees
4. Submit an application for consideration prior to the deadline of February 9th, 2024 (*requests for 2024 conference attendance shall be submitted no later than January 12th, 2024*)

Procedures: Member organizations who meet the eligibility criteria are invited to apply for the program of any amount up to \$500 for use in their efforts to improve some aspect of their operation or employees. The program is intended to fund something that would otherwise go unfunded – that is, the funds shall not be made for routine operating budget expenses such as food or cleaning supplies. Rather as examples, things such as capture equipment, safety equipment, stainless steel water bowls, FAPAA training opportunities. FAPAA will not provide cash funding and will purchase the item directly for the organization. Submit requests for consideration in the format on the reverse side.

Review: The Review Committee will (1) determine if the requests are eligible, (2) rank the requests as to most benefit for the dollars expended, and (3) determine which of the requests will be submitted for approval by the FAPF Board of Directors.

Announcement: At the Annual Awards Banquet Dinner, the FAPAA President will announce the recipient(s) for that year. The Banquet is customarily held on the final night of our Annual Educational Conference, which will be on Saturday, February 24th, 2024.

For further inquiries concerning the program, please contact FAPF Executive Director at:

info@floridaanimalcontrol.org



Small Organization Support Program (SOS) APPLICATION

Date: _____

Name of member organization: _____

Address of organization: _____

County where located: _____ Phone: (_____) _____

Name of person submitting application: _____

Title of person submitting application: _____

Email of person submitting application: _____

Funding amount requested: \$ _____

Type of Support Requested (check all that apply not to exceed \$500)

Protective Equipment Training Conference Other: _____

Specific item(s) requested: please include purpose, price, quantity, and supplier. Please use FAPAA sponsors or Corporate Members when possible: _____

Please include printouts with specific items, prices, and links to the website where items may be purchased. Include additional documents, and/or exhibits that will help the SOS committee in making their decision.

Signature: _____

Submittal: No later than **February 9th, 2024**, or **January 12th** if requesting conference scholarship. Send signed application and supporting documents to by email or mail to:

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