



## **Northern New Mexico Horsemen's Association**

# **The Eldon and Karen Reyer**

## **Youth Scholarship**

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The Northern New Mexico Horsemen's Association (NNMHA) SGS Giving Program offers annual youth scholarships of up to \$2,000 in recognition of interest and need. This special youth fund focuses on fostering lifelong youth involvement with equines or agriculture. It is named in memory of Eldon and Karen Reyer, life-long leaders in the northern New Mexico equine community.

This scholarship is awarded annually to any applicant 22 years of age or younger who is pursuing additional education or training, with a preference for it being equine or agriculture related. Applicants must have demonstrated current or past involvement in some form of equine or agriculture activity, such as but not limited to 4-H, Pony Club, or the like. The applicant must also be accepted as fully participating in an accredited college or university or a well-recognized program in good standing. Higher education areas of emphasis may include (but are not limited to) veterinarian, veterinarian technician, farrier, horse training, barn management, agriculture and equine specialty programs.

Proof of admittance to a college, university or program will be required prior to disbursement of funds. In the event there is no eligible recipient in any given year, the funding for this scholarship will revert to NNMHA for other use. The annual maximum amount to be awarded is \$2,000. Assistance may be given to the same person for more than one year, providing an application is successfully completed for each year.

The recipient will be chosen by the NNMHA Board of Directors, based on past academic accomplishments, financial need, participation in current or past equine program activities and future education pursuits. Final selection of candidates remains the sole decision of the Board. Individuals, groups or organizations may complete an application with or on behalf an applicant. If others successfully nominate a candidate, they may be identified in the award, at their discretion.

The application deadline is May 1. The scholarship is awarded by June 1, in anticipation of a typical academic year beginning shortly thereafter. At the discretion of the Board, this deadline may be extended. The Scholarship Application form can be found on our website, [nnmha.org](http://nnmha.org).

Any questions should be directed to a Board member; names and contact information are also on the website. A completed application will be reviewed by the SGS Giving Program committee that will evaluate the application, gather additional information, if needed, and make a recommendation to the full Board.