

Reining Horse Foundation

Do You Want to Serve?

The Reining Horse Foundation (RHF) is coming up on its 20th year. Members of our reining community began brainstorming ways to help our own, even before the organization was officially established as a nonprofit in 2001.

It's gratifying to review the list of people who have served this charitable organization. We've had Board of Directors members from all corners of the reining community, and that's by design. We strive to have the diverse perspectives of NRHA Professionals, non pros and owners from different parts of the globe.

While nonprofit leadership comes with duty, you don't have to be well-heeled to be elected to the board. You have to be committed to serving, and that takes many forms.

In 2017, the RHF Board adopted new bylaws, including term limits. Board members can serve two back-to-back three-year terms before they must rotate off for at least one year. There is an exception for officers, whose terms may be extended. We're now coming up on the first group who must step down.

It's hard to see anyone go; we have a small, hard-working group of men and women committed to the Foundation's ideals and objectives. However, with this challenge comes opportunity. The rotation will help us keep the organization constantly fresh and moving forward toward the fulfillment of our mission.

The real challenge comes from getting to know more of you personally. I expect someone reading this or someone you know has an itch to serve and may not be sure how to get the ball rolling. Call

or email me, or contact another board member listed on this page.

We need you to act quickly to be considered for next year; the RHF Board will hold its annual election in early fall. While we don't have to fill all the seats, an engaged board is a powerful tool for success.

This is a perfect time for me to thank each member of our board — past and present. Your work has been instrumental in the success the RHF has today. Even during the global pandemic, our core programs continue. We're developing leaders through NRHyA, granting scholarships, awarding crisis funding and discussing how we can continue to pay homage through the NRHA Hall of Fame.

In addition, we try to regularly show appreciation to our donors. Whether you've pulled \$5 out of your pocket, written a check for thousands, honored a friend with a Facebook donation, made plans for a gift in your will or given \$10 at a show, we thank you. Every way you show support goes toward caring for and honoring our reining community. Rein on. ❖



Tim Anderson
RHF President

To donate, visit reiningfoundation.com, email rhf@nrha.com or contact RHF Director Leslie Baker at 405-946-7400, ext. 106. You can also donate by texting "RHF" to 405-300-5919.



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