

Reining Horse Foundation

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'We make a living by what we get; we make a life by what we give.'

—Winston Churchill

We're living in an interesting and unprecedented time.

Coronavirus has changed how most of us go about even the simplest tasks. For several months, many of us have been under stay-at-home orders—limiting public functions and interactions with friends and family. Many have lost jobs, income, and even loved ones due to COVID-19. Although life seems to have slowed down and some things have been put on pause, it doesn't change that our reining community is still strong. This time has put into perspective how important our health is to our overall wellbeing.

For most of us, spending time with our reining horses, our trainers, and our barn family is therapeutic. Our bonds with our horses lift our spirits. Riding is our opportunity to get outside, clear our minds, and recharge. Horse shows are vacations that take us to places we've grown to love and others we've never visited. Reining gives us a chance to reach new goals and achievements, no matter our skill level. Unfortunately, all this was halted, and we're missing our reining family as we look forward to returning to a new normal.

Our reining community has been hit hard this year in other ways, too. The number of applications to the RHF's Dale Wilkinson Memorial Crisis Fund has increased. The need this year may be more than ever. With the future uncertain and requests for aid continuing, if you can give, our family needs us. Your giving is appreciated more than we can express, and truth be told, it can be relatively simple.

Through RHF, you can set up automatic monthly giving using PayPal. It doesn't matter if you can only spare a dollar a month; it all adds up. Donations made specifically to the Crisis Fund go to individuals who can truly benefit from our spare change.

The RHF electronic funds transfer program found at reiningfoundation.com/donate is also easy to use. This is the method I've chosen to give. I know exactly when and how much I'm contributing. I encourage you to try it, too. You'll be surprised how good you feel after giving.

If giving at a show fits you better, there's an option for that, too. Just add it to your show invoice. As we saw last year, these relatively small donations to RHF make a big difference. The show-entry donation program grossed \$25,000 from \$10 individual gifts made by exhibitors here and there.

Stay safe and healthy. I can't wait to see our reining family again!

To donate via monthly EFT, visit reiningfoundation.com/donate or contact director Leslie Baker, (405) 946-7400, ext. 106, rhf@nrha.com. ♦



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