



2024 Feature Race Grant Program

Overview

The Feature Race Grant Program is designed to assist individual county fair race programs to increase the purse for a feature race or races. This could be an existing feature race or a feature race that the fair is considering. A feature race is a mainstay event, a race that would have a higher purse than the normal overnight events. This race should have a “story” element to it. For example, many races are named in memoriam of individuals or horses that have had an impact on racing in that county. A feature race should be newsworthy and can be used to promote fan attendance at the harness racing program.

Guidelines

1. **Grant application must be submitted by the County Fair Board seeking the Grant.**
2. Condition restrictions must state that the race be Ohio Sired or Ohio Owned preferred.
3. Grant money can be used as a purse supplement only for the specific race applied for.
4. Grant money will be added to the base purse the fair already provides. Fairs must add their own funds to the base purse in an amount at least commensurate with a 1:5 ratio (minimum 20%).
5. Any entry or starting fees taken for a Feature Race supplemented by a Grant must go into the base purse in their entirety.
6. Feature Races **must have (5) five starters**, or the grant monies need to be returned to OHHA. That race can still be contested with a smaller field, but it will be without the OHHA grant funds.
7. If requesting a grant for more than one race, **submit a separate application** for each race.
8. You may attach additional information if necessary.
9. Fairs must be OHHA Associate members to receive a Feature Race Grant.

Application Deadline

Proposals must be postmarked on or before November 30, 2023. Applications postmarked after the due date will not be considered. You may apply online at www.ohha.com, email your application to sschroeder@ohha.com, fax to 614-221-8726, or send via First Class mail to the address below.

Final Report

A final report must be submitted by November 30, 2024. Failure to return the final report may result in your fair being disqualified from receiving future grants. See the attached report form for information requested, you may attach additional information if you want. You can fill out your final report on line at www.ohha.com, email your final report to sschroeder@ohha.com, fax to 614-221-8726, or send via First Class mail to the address below.

OHHA
Attn.: Feature Race Grant
2237 Sonora Dr.
Grove City, OH 43123



2024 Feature Race Grant Application

Must be submitted by November 30, 2023

Please use one form per race

Name of Fair: _____

City races are held in: _____

Date of Race: _____

Race Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Amount of money requested for 2024: _____ Projected Total Purse for 2024: _____

Conditions of race for 2024: _____

If this race was held in 2023 what were the conditions? _____

Story or History of Named Race: _____

What are your plans to publicize this feature race?
