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## Learn to Compete Successfully for Foundation Grants

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Denver—NARHA's 2009 National Conference and Annual Meeting will help nonprofit equine center employees learn to compete successfully for foundation grants. On Thursday, November 19, NARHA will present a "Funders' Forum" in a general session at the National Conference in Fort Worth, Texas.

Nonprofit organizations earn nearly 12% of their funding by writing successful foundation grants. Competition for these funds is tough, so NARHA is providing an opportunity for conference attendees to learn about foundation officers' funding priorities and the best practices for notprofit organizations to adopt when applying for support. This is a good chance for conference attendees to ask their questions directly and also meet and network with officers from, for example, the American Quarter Horse Foundation, the Meadows Foundation, the Hutton Foundation the American Paint Horse Foundation and the American Gypsy Horse Angel Foundation.

For more information about the 2009 NARHA National Conference and Annual Meeting, and to register online, please visit the 2009 conference pages on NARHA's website: www.narha.org.

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## About NARHA:

NARHA was formed in 1969 as the North American Riding for the Handicapped Association to promote equine assisted activities and therapies for individuals with special needs. At almost 800 member centers, a total of 42,000 children and adults find a sense of independence through involvement with horses. These member centers range from small, one-person programs to large operations with several certified instructors and licensed therapists. In addition to therapeutic riding, a center may offer any number of equine assisted activities including hippotherapy, equine facilitated mental health, driving, interactive vaulting, trail riding, competition, ground work, or stable management. Through a wide variety of educational resources, the association helps individuals start and maintain successful equine assisted activities and therapies for individuals with special needs. There are more than 30,000 volunteers, 3,500 instructors, 6,300 equines and thousands of contributors from all over the world helping people at NARHA centers.