

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR 2009 NRA FOUNDATION GRANTS  
AND SPECIFIC ITEMS FOR UPSTATE NY**

- \* Range Improvement projects and other programs whose primary beneficiaries may be viewed as the club membership or the club itself are not eligible for funding.
- \* Multi year funding of projects and reimbursement of past expenses are prohibited. Applications must be for a program and expenses that will both occur next year.
- \* Only one request per applicant per year may be submitted. Requested dollar amounts are limited to \$5,000 maximum per application per year.
- \* Activities/competitions which require NRA membership are not eligible for funding.
- \* Cannot fund grant requests from private, exclusive clubs or commercial enterprises.
- \* All clubs and associations are encouraged but not required to be NRA affiliated. To receive information on the benefits of NRA's low cost affiliation program please contact Jay Rusnock, NRA Field Representative, P.O. Box 943, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. 845-298-7233, [jrusnock@nrahq.org](mailto:jrusnock@nrahq.org).

To definitively resolve any questions about your proposed grant project's compliance with IRS 501 (c) 3 regulations, you may contact: Sandy Elkin, NRA HQ Grants Manager at (703) 267-1131. This needs to be done well before the deadline for submission. **All projects containing physical improvements to a club or range need to take advantage of this service to verify compliance. These types of projects NEED at least three (3) letters of support from groups who will benefit (hunter safety instructors, Scouts, police, 4-H, etc). The letters must explain in detail how the specifics of this grant project will improve your qualified program. See Section 6 of NRA Foundation Guidelines.**

**HOW AND WHEN TO APPLY**

**If your organization supports our interests in educational and charitable activities that expand and enhance the future of the shooting sports, we welcome your partnership.** Current 2009 applications and guidelines are available from your area's *Friends of NRA* committee chairman. Applicants must return ALL PARTS of the completed application package (including the two page agreement form, budget page, W-9 form and ALL other items on the check list) and any supporting documentation to your area's *Friends of NRA* Banquet Committee Chairman or Delegate by **September 1, 2009**. Please submit 4 sets of the original package, 10 copies of only the three page application, the budget worksheet and the three letters of support, each set stapled together. Lastly include 5 copies of only the budget worksheet page. A review process will be conducted by 1) a delegate from each of the *Friends of NRA* Committees, 2) a legal consultant and 3) the NRA Foundation Board of Trustees. Your delegate will notify you of the results. Successful applicants should receive their actual checks in the spring of next year.

Applicants are advised to make contact with your local volunteer delegate to discuss the merits of your proposal. The chairman of your area's *Friends of NRA* Committee will provide you with the name of this person. The more background information you can provide to the delegate, the better prepared they will be to promote support for your application in this competitive process. In 2008 over 80% of the Upstate NY grant applications were approved by the state volunteer delegates. The average award was over \$2,000.

**ALL APPLICANTS MUST COMPLY WITH ALL GUIDELINES AND REQUIREMENTS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THIS REVIEW PROCESS. APPLICATION PACKAGES THAT ARE INCOMPLETE OR NOT PROPERLY FILLED IN WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR REVIEW.**