Community Funding Request
Application

Organization Information

Name Sclar Large Animal Emergency Evacuation

Address of Organization: P.O. Box 1778 Diamond Springs CA 95619

Type: X Non-profit   ☐Public   ☐Community Organization (informal Nonprofit)

Event/Project for which funds are requested: Project is to purchase livestock panels to expand the capacity of the EDC Animal Services (AS) designated emergency large animal shelters, operated by Sclar.

Event/Project Location: EDC AS directs Sclar on the location where the shelter will be set up. Typically, the location is in the Gold Hill area at private ranch(s). These private ranches are generous to allow shelter activities, but such usage is not guaranteed year to year.

We have utilized two different locations for sheltering during past incidents. However, this does present both resource and logistical challenges. Having our own panels would allow us to expand our operation for the residents of EDC to a single location which is less confusing for residents and more efficient for Sclar.

Event Date/Project timeline: EOY, sooner if we collect sufficient funds for an approved matching grant from Latrobe Fund, NTE $7,000. A donor has already given $2,000 to go towards this matching grant. Approval of this Community Funding would allow us to fully meet the matching grant. We would be able to complete the purchase of livestock panels by mid-July. Any subsequent funds donated this year would also go towards the purchase of additional panels.

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Total Amount Requested (Limit: $5,000): $5,000

Event/Project Description

1.   Describe the purpose of the event/project/organization for which funds are being requested.

SCLAR is an EDC dedicated all volunteer resource utilized by EDC Animal Services (AS) during a declared incident. Our role is to assist AS in the evacuation and sheltering of large animals during a declared incident. Funding will allow Sclar to purchase livestock panels to increase the number of large animals housed during a declared disaster.

Panel costs are between $100 - $150 depending on style (pin or bracket connections) and length; 10' or 12'. (This does not include discounts for a bulk purchase). The different panel lengths allow us to scale to the needs of each incident. We have reviewed our past animal counts to determine the percentage of each species most often brought into the shelter. (Typically, goats and horses). We will use this information to determine the number of 12' and 10' panels needed to maximize the additional number of large animals we will be able to shelter.

Currently, we estimate we would be able to expand capacity by a minimum of 30-45 more animals. Depending on the species of animals being brought in, it could be many more.

Livestock panels would allow us the flexibility to set up a large animal shelter at alternate or additional EDC designated sites should the need arise. This project to obtain panels is also the beginning of a long-term vision to obtain use of property in perpetuity dedicated to large animal shelter use. Any additional donations made to Sclar this year would go towards purchasing more panels to help with our long-term goals.

2. How will the event/project support or produce a public benefit to El Dorado County?

Our role is the operation of the large animal shelter designated by EDC AS for evacuated EDC residents during a declared incident. We have operated the AS shelter in such incidents as the Caldor and Mosquito fires. Having a large animal shelter option does encourage people to evacuate if they know their animals will be cared for. This provides a better outcome for EDC families and their animals. Large animal evacuation shelters are a vital component of any rural County emergency and evacuation plan.

Funding would enable Sclar to purchase panels that will allow us to house more animals at shelter location(s), ideally to consolidate in a single location which is more efficient. It would also allow Sclar to set up panels at the beginning of fire season to more quickly respond to community needs and facilitate the intake of evacuated animals.