WYOMING WILD SHEEP FOUNDATION
GRANT APPLICATION

Prior to completing this application, please review the Funding Priorities located here.

Project Title: Shooting, Hunting & Ethics Education Program (S.H.E.E.P.)
80 character limit

Organization Name: Wild Sheep Foundation

Project Lead:

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Project Type *(select all that apply)*:

- ☐ Disease
- ☑ Education and Outreach
- ☐ Habitat
- ☐ Land Conservation
- ☐ Population Management/Monitoring
- ☐ Other

Action:

Project Location(s) Information:

County: Teton
Nearest Town: Various across nation - statewide

Project Phase *(if applicable)*: of

Estimated Invoice Dates: January 2027 to

Budget Information:

Total WY-WSF Request $ 10,000

Total Project Cost: $ 100,000

Has this project been funded by the Foundation previously?

If yes, list each grant received for five years

Other Project Contributions or Matching Funds:

				In Hand	Requested
Source	Eastern Chapter WSF	Amount $	5000	☑	☐
Source	NV Bighorns Unlimited	Amount $	6000	☑	☐
Source	NV Outdoor Education/Recreation	Amount $	10,100	☑	☐
Source	Nevada Outdoor Education & Recreation	Amount $	9,614	☑	☐
Source	N. NV Safari Club International	Amount $	2500	☐	☑
Source	Texas Bighorn Society	Amount $	8,600	☐	☑

Project Objective and Narrative:

funding priorities

The Shooting, Hunting & Ethics Education Program (S.H.E.E.P.) is the Wild Sheep Foundation's youth education program, now entering its 16th year. S.H.E.E.P. is designed to inspire and engage the next generation of hunters, wildlife conservationists, and outdoor enthusiasts by providing meaningful, hands-on experiences that connect young people with wildlife, hunting, shooting sports, and the outdoors.

Over the past year, the WSF Youth Education Coordinator was involved in 136 events that reached more than 22,600 youth across the United States and Canada. Since the program's inception, Ryan Brock has led S.H.E.E.P. in delivering 1,033 events and reaching more than 168,600 youth.

During the past year, S.H.E.E.P. programming included 30 Learn to Shoot Archery Clinics, five firearm safety and shooting clinics, 20 youth education expos, 25 classrooms utilizing WSF Teacher Wild Sheep Check-Out Kits, 22 additional wild sheep-specific educational experiences, eight WSF chapter/affiliate banquet youth events, and numerous other youth-focused activities.

Beginning August 1, Ryan Brock began serving the Wild Sheep Foundation full-time, with the goal of expanding the reach and impact of S.H.E.E.P. and providing even more young people with positive, educational experiences in the outdoors. The primary objective of S.H.E.E.P. is to inspire and excite young people about wildlife, conservation, hunting, shooting sports, and the outdoors. By providing youth with opportunities to experience wildlife and outdoor activities firsthand, the program helps build a meaningful connection to wild places and the animals that inhabit them. These experiences can play an important role in developing future adults who understand the value of healthy wildlife populations, habitat conservation, responsible hunting, and the role that hunting plays in funding and supporting wildlife conservation.

The Wyoming Wild Sheep Foundation Grant in Aid funding would directly assist S.H.E.E.P. in delivering these educational opportunities by helping offset the costs of program consumables and shipping. These resources are essential to providing hands-on educational materials and getting those materials into the hands of youth, teachers, schools, chapters, affiliates, and event participants.

Support from the Wyoming Wild Sheep Foundation will help S.H.E.E.P. continue to expand its reach and provide more young people with positive experiences that can create a lifelong appreciation for wildlife, wild places, conservation, and the outdoor traditions that help sustain them.

Miles/Acres Affected *(if applicable)*: ( ) Miles ( ) Acres

Describe Any Current or Future Monitoring/Management *(if applicable)*:

Describe how you will share your learned info with us

I would be more than open to writing up an article for your newsletter, or even just a basic presentation or report to the board. I am open to any other ideas you would like.

Additional Budget or Project Information for Consideration *(if applicable)*:

It is important to mention that although it appears our funding, especially with the MidwayUSA Foundation funding from our endowment, that the Youth Widlife Conservation Experience in Reno as part of Sheep Show costs around $45,000 alone to put on. Shipping cost have continued to go up extensively this year. Ryan has focused heavily on advertising the teacher kits that can be shipped to their schools and already has half the school year full. These shipping costs have impacted shipping youth event items to various events, including the WY WSF banguet in June.

Although we are requesting $5,000, we are open to whatever funding you feel you can provide to help us inspire youth.

Any funds recived would go towards:
-consumables for youth events (horn headbands, booklets, craft items, etc)
-shipping of teacher kits
-shipping of items to youth events, including chapter banquets
-help with offsetting costs of archery and firearm shooting clinics

Attachments and Supporting Documentation:

Please select the types of attachments included:

- [ ] Map(s) *required*
- [ ] Letter(s) of Support
- [ ] Project Design
- [ ] Photos
- [ ] Monitoring/Management Plan Permit(s) / NEPA Compliance
- [ ] Other:

Please submit applications and attachments via email to: Info@wyomingwildsheep.org
Subject Line: " Name of Project - Organization Name"

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