



The Stock Horse of Texas Foundation, Inc. is a 501c3 developed to further the educational goals and member support to expand SHTX's mission of "Helping People Ride a Better Horse."

The Foundation manages **scholarship funds** for collegiate and high school recipients. Future goals include **broadening educational opportunities, preserving the western heritage of the ranch/stock horse, creating an organizational endowment and developing a crisis fund.**

Current Goals:

Fund educational clinics for youth and adults to improve their horsemanship and enjoyment of their horses

Fund professional development opportunities to expand leadership success of educational programs

Develop an organizational endowment to solidify future leadership of Stock Horse of Texas

Further recognize outstanding stock horses who achieve Superior or Supreme Merit Status

Develop a crisis fund to help offset medical or other crises

**The Stock Horse of Texas Foundation, Inc. is a 501c3.
Donations are Tax Deductible.**

For General Foundation Donations

• [Online Donation Portal www.stockhorsetexas.org/foundation.asp](http://www.stockhorsetexas.org/foundation.asp)

• Mailing Address:
SHTX Foundation
PO Box 549
Archer City, TX 76351

Any checks designated for specific programs or scholarships, please designate that in the memo.

Current Scholarships include:

Darlene Hicks Youth Scholarship Endowment

- awarded to a high school senior active in SHTX, merit based

Dr. Doug Householder Youth Scholarship

- awarded to the highest placing senior 4-Her in the Stock Horse division at the Texas 4-H State Horse Show
- working on endowment

Amy Bell "Pay It Forward" Youth Scholarship Endowment

- awarded to the highest placing Ranching Heritage-bred horse in the Youth division

Zinn Lindsey Collegiate Scholarship

- awarded to the highest placing collegiate rider in the SHTX Derby
- working on endowment

Belcher Collegiate Scholarship

- awarded to the highest placing collegiate rider in the Ltd Derby
- working on endowment

Dr. Josie Coverdale Collegiate Scholarship

- awarded to a Texas A&M Ranch Horse team member, merit based
- working on endowment

For Scholarship Donations

Online donations for scholarships can be made directly to each scholarship fund on the [SHTX Scholarship Page](#).

Scholarship funds are invested through the Abilene Community Foundation.

EDUCATIONAL & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT UNDERWRITING

Education is and will always be the mission of Stock Horse of Texas. Opportunities to underwrite activities for youth or adults is one of the goals of the SHTX Foundation. Furthering educational opportunities for these riders is not only a benefit for SHTX but the horse industry as a whole.

Many trainers starting out find a home with SHTX, and the Foundation hopes to offer low-cost educational events aimed at professional development with teaching and training techniques and business insight to help grow their businesses. In turn, they can support SHTX's mission of education for our members.



ORGANIZATIONAL ENDOWMENT

In 1996, the founders of Stock Horse of Texas main goal was to provide leadership to help people ride a better horse. Never did they dream the organization would grow and prosper into what it is today. SHTX went from a volunteer staff, to a part time executive director and now has two full time employees. SHTX is committed to keeping costs as low as possible, and less than 10% of the budget goes toward administrative expenses. The association is committed to investing its money back into membership programs.

Forward-thinking members have encouraged SHTX to build an organizational endowment solidifying SHTX's future to recruit and retain top talent to lead the organization in years to come. This endowment will allow the organization to continue to focus on member programs, thus strengthening Stock Horse of Texas.

EQUINE LEGACY UNDERWRITING

Merit and Legacy awards were designed to recognize the best-of-the-best versatile western stock horses. These awards honor horses and riders who exemplify what SHTX is all about, and helps perpetuate and preserve the western tradition and heritage of ranch horses.

The SHTX Foundation provides an excellent opportunity for gifts that go to recognizing these outstanding horses and riders.



SCHOLARSHIPS

SHTX Scholarships have supported youth and collegiate riders for years. The scholarship program has grown substantially, and now investments are managed through the Abilene Community Foundation. The goal is to endow every scholarship fund.



CRISIS FUND

Unexpected disasters and emergencies can happen to anyone, and SHTX members have a history of helping their own. The Foundation Crisis Fund will help direct fundraisers and donations to assist those in need.