Stanton Foundation Van Grant Information (2025)

Grant Description:

* The goal of this grant program is to increase canine live release rates and improve canine welfare by providing safe, reliable, comfortable transport vehicles to shelters and rescue groups for the purpose of transporting dogs to partner organizations and/or adoption events.
* The Stanton Foundation provides funding for the purchase of a new Ford Transit or Ram ProMaster (long wheel base and medium-to-high roof height) with rear HVAC and grantee logo wrap installment. The grantee organization is responsible for the ordering and purchase of the vehicle, HVAC system, and wrap, as well as all maintenance, repair, insurance, and upkeep needed to keep the vehicle on the road.
* Remaining funds, if any, after the purchase of the van and HVAC and wrap installments, are to be reported to the Foundation and retained in a separate account for use exclusively in the event of emergency repairs or one-time modifications of the van (but not for recurring costs such as fuel expenses, routine maintenance, or driver wages).
* No part of the grant may be used to provide anyone with extra compensation for filling out the grant application or for a “finder’s fee.”
* Grantee will agree to maintain weekly records of mileage, number of dogs transported, and van maintenance costs and to submit a summary van use and financial report to the Foundation every 6 months for one year after delivery of the van.

Eligibility Requirements:

* Eligibility requirements can be found on the cover page of the grant application.

How to Submit:

* Completed applications and/or questions can be emailed to: [adoptionvans@thestantonfoundation.org](mailto:adoptionvans@thestantonfoundation.org)
* Or mail to: The Stanton Foundation

Attn: Canine Welfare Program Officer

1430 Massachusetts Ave, 6th Floor

Cambridge, MA 02138

* Office phone: 617-377-3976

After Submission:

* Once your application is submitted, you should receive an acknowledgement of receipt of application within 2 business days.
* Your application will be reviewed carefully by our program officer and you will receive a response verifying eligibility within 4 weeks.
* Eligible candidates not selected to move forward in the application process in the month that their application was received may be selected to remain on a waitlist to be evaluated in subsequent months.
* Eligible applicants selected to move forward in the application process will be asked to schedule a phone call or Zoom meeting with the program officer to review the grant requirements and any questions you have. You may be asked to supply the previous year’s 990 form and 3-year history of animal intake/outcome data from your shelter/organization at that time. **Please do not send these materials with your initial application.**
* Notification of the final grant approval by our board of directors is generally within 4 weeks of receipt of any additional requested documents and phone/zoom meeting. Once an application is approved for funding, we will send an official grant agreement letter with the notification.
* Funds are generally sent the first Tuesday of the month following the receipt of a fully signed grant agreement.
* In 2023, new van orders took about 3-6 months for delivery, HVAC install, and wrap application.