

## **Wildlife Education Program Grants**

**May 1, 2023**

The goal of the Grizzly 399 Project is to vastly improve communication of existing knowledge of how to live peaceably with wildlife in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem. Living safely with wildlife will mean less wildlife are injured and killed.

There are three groups that need wildlife education so that humans and wildlife can live safely in peace and harmony:

1. The four million or more visitors a year to Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks.
2. The several hundred thousand residents in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem (“GYE”).
3. The Federal and State officials (Idaho, Wyoming, and Montana) who are responsible for managing wildlife.

### **Who can provide wildlife education?**

In Teton County, for example, which includes the town of Jackson, there reside 23,000 people. Teton County reportedly has over 250 not-for-profit organizations (“NFPs”). Many of these are focused on wildlife. Such organizations in the GYE have very talented people. We believe that these organizations can design and implement innovative programs to communicate to the above three groups what is needed to improve our relationship with wildlife. The task of The Grizzly 399 Project is to raise funds, entertain proposals, make grants, and monitor results.

## **Proposal Specifications**

Here are the specifications for innovative proposals for wildlife education programs. Grants for winning proposals will weigh heavily on how wildlife education knowledge is communicated to the above three groups. Simply posting a few paragraphs to your Blog or Newsletter is not going to be sufficient.

1. Proposal must focus on large wildlife in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem.
2. Proposal must define how and when results of success will be measured.
3. Proposal must include an auditable budget, including timeline, of where and when the granted funds will be spent. We are not interested in providing for general overhead expenses but want to see most of the funds go to a specific project.
4. Proposal should rely upon factual research and not rumors and biases.
5. Proposal should be limited to five pages.
6. Proposals must be received by July 1, 2023, at the following email address: [rthomas019@comcast.net](mailto:rthomas019@comcast.net).

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