

**The NYC Chapter of the American Association of Zoo Keepers  
Travel Grant Application**

Grants will be awarded for travel to venues which foster professional development in keeping with the mission statement of the NYC AAZK. Applications should be submitted no later than April 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. The Travel Grant Committee will notify the finalists of their eligibility no more than 5 days after the grant deadline. The NYC AAZK grant committee has put forth the following guidelines for submitting applications:

- 1) All applicants must meet all of the following requirements to be eligible:
  - WCS employee
  - Member of National AAZK
  - Member of NYC AAZKGrant recipients are subject to the above requirements at time of travel to be reimbursed.
- 2) Recipients must have time approved by department heads before grant can be appropriated.
- 3) Grant recipients will be chosen by the NYC AAZK travel grant committee.
- 4) Travel must be completed within one year of receipt of the grant.
- 5) All receipts must be presented for reimbursement after travel has been completed.
- 6) NYC AAZK requires all grant recipients to present a trip report to NYC AAZK members within two monthly meetings of return from travel. Reports may be in any format and should not last longer than ten minutes.
- 7) Grant recipients will be ineligible to apply for another NYC AAZK travel grant for one full year after the grant is approved.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (print) agree to the above guidelines in submitting a proposal the NYC Chapter of the American Association of Zoo Keepers' travel grant committee

\_\_\_\_\_ (signature)      \_\_\_\_\_ (date)

**SEND COMPLETED APPLICATION TO [NYCAAZK@GMAIL.COM](mailto:NYCAAZK@GMAIL.COM)**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Conference or Experience:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dates of Travel:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please attach a budget outlining, to the best of your knowledge, the way you intend to use the \$1000 NYC AAZK travel grant.**

**Please answer the follow questions:**

1. How many years of applied experience do you have in the animal science profession?
2. How many years have you been a National AAZK member?
3. What is your level of activity at the chapter level? What is your level of activity in National AAZK? Please list any projects or committees you have assisted in, and list separately, committees you have actively been on in the past 2 years.
4. Are you the author of any papers, articles, posters or presentations in the profession? Please list.
5. Have you participated in any conservation or research projects? Please list.
6. Have you participated in any AZA or AAZK related projects (SSP/ TAG/ Studbook/ National Committees)?
7. Are you receiving any other funding for this particular project?
8. Do you have any awards or recognition that you have earned, related to this profession?
9. Have you received any grants previously?
10. Have you attended professional conferences? Please list.
11. Are there any other additional credentials that you possess related to this project/ conference/ workshop/ research? Please explain.

**Please attach a statement** of approximately 500 words which explains why you wish to attend the above program and how attendance will align with the mission statement of AAZK to advance excellence in the animal keeping profession, foster effective communication beneficial to animal care, support deserving conservation projects, and promote the preservation of our natural resources and animal life.