How is my money invested?

• The Endowment Investment Committee has chosen a low fee investment strategy, and we have our Endowment housed with Fidelity. We have selected a top investment strategy where we have selected top performing and rated funds.

Am I able to donate to the endowment for a specific cause?

• Yes, any donations above \$10,000 may go toward a designated fund. Otherwise, we will add it to our general endowment fund where we can use the returns to sustain the horse show, and provide education to our upcoming riders.

Am I able to contribute over a few years?

• Yes, we can work with you to create a transfer schedule. Please fill out a pledge for and we will be in touch.

Will you produce annual reporting on the performance of the Endowment and how the funds are being used?

• Yes, we will be producing that at the end of our fiscal year and it will be sent out to all donors. It will include the financial performance and an update on how the endowment was used that year.

When will you start drawing down from the endowment?

• We still have two more years until the endowment reaches a mature state. We will start utilizing the endowment in 2025.

Tell me more about the Young Hunter Grant?

• Our application will be live in August. We encourage Young Hunter Riders who are qualified for the Hunter Divisions at the National Horse Show to apply. The Endowment Committee believes that the hunter division is an underrepresented division in the industry. We are providing educational support to upcoming hunter riders who are in financial need.

How do I get involved with the Endowment?

• Please email us at <u>endowment@nhs.org</u> and we will be in touch. Additional, please speak with one of our Board members, and the Endowment Committee will be in touch. We have two options to get involved, either our Endowment Committee, who helps market the Endowment or the Investment Committee if you would like to be involved with the investment strategy. Where can I mail a check?

• Please send them to Amanda Pollack, and she will deposit them into the Endowment Fund. Her address can be found on the Pledge Form.

Can I donate stock?

• You can go online and donate stock via our website. We are using a platform that supports non-profits like ours through a simple process. They handle the stock transfer into our account and will send you the tax receipts in a timely fashion. If you are donating a large amount and wish to handle this outside of the platform, please let us know and we can work with your stock broker. When you donate stock, there is also a major tax benefit. The tax deduction is taken at full fair market value.

How will my money be used?

• We will not be drawing any funds from the endowment for the next two years. Any donations are being invested into five, five star funds within our Fidelity account. We have a fantastic Investment Committee who manages the Endowment. Once the endowment is mature, we plan to invest part of the returns to continue sustain the National, fund young rider education for underrepresented divisions, starting with the young hunters. The goal is to provide the National with a life force for the next 100+ years.