



FOUNDATION FOR THE PRESERVATION OF HONEY BEES, INC.

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2025 Foundation for the Preservation of Honey Bees Equipment Grant

The Foundation for the Preservation of Honey Bees (<https://preservationofhoneybees.org/>) is pleased to request proposals for our annual equipment grant opportunity, **due by October 21, 2025**. This grant varies in its specific target from year to year, with the goal of advancing research, extension, and/or outreach that supports the beekeeping industry. This year's grant will provide funds to an institution or institutions to increase their capacity to purchase new equipment or improve existing equipment. The Foundation will evaluate proposals with a budget of **up to \$10,000 total**. Basic beekeeping equipment (hive bodies, frames, etc.) will not be considered. Instead, we're looking to fund specialized equipment for field research (sensors, scales, etc.), laboratory research (PCR machines, incubators, microbalances, etc.), and extension/outreach (observation hives, digital platform equipment, etc.). The most competitive proposals will allow grantees to pursue a new direction or strengthen an existing effort. Piecemeal lists of equipment that lack a coherent theme will be less competitive.

Eligible institutions: Academic institutions (e.g., Universities) and non-profit organizations.

Proposal Structure

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- 1) Title describing equipment type and location.
- 2) Description of equipment and needs.
- 3) Impact of equipment on research, extension, and/or outreach relating to beekeeping.

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- 4) Budget and brief justification. The maximum budget is \$10,000 and there is no minimum.*

Optional: Up to two letters of support from beekeepers or beekeeping organizations.

Due Date and Proposal Evaluation

Proposals for 2025 should be submitted as a single PDF document to the American Beekeeping Federation <abfnet.org@gmail.com> by **October 21, 2025**. Submissions will be evaluated by the Foundation Board and judged according to need and impact. Decisions will be announced in mid-November and again at the 2026 American Beekeeping Federation Conference & Tradeshow in Mobile, AL (January 6-10, 2026). Funds will be available anytime after decisions are announced and must be used by December 15, 2026.

** Please be aware a 1099 form may be required for recipients of funding depending on the organization's tax status. Institutional allowances or indirect fees are not allowed for this equipment grant.*