Summer Sea Turtle Sustainability Grant

Official Contest Rules

1. CHARITY ELIGIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE: Nominated organizations must be nonprofit organizations AND focused on sea turtle conservation. Nonprofit organizations are eligible if recognized for public charity status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or are fiscally sponsored by a 501(c)(3) organization or are tax exempt in the state or country in which it operates. Participating in the Contest constitutes your full and unconditional acceptance of these “Official Rules.”

2. ELIGIBILITY TO VOTE: Anyone 13 years an older with a valid email address is eligible to vote ONCE, except where prohibited by law. Winning organizations will be announced on published date. All applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations apply. Void where prohibited by law. Voting in the Contest constitutes your full and unconditional acceptance of these “Official Rules.”


4. CONTEST VOTING INSTRUCTIONS: You may vote in the Contest by entering your Name, Email, City, State/Province, and Country into the entry form during the Contest period. Limit: one (1) vote per person per contest. Email must be a valid email.

5. TIRN will validate emails and reserves the right to disqualify a contestant if they believe that submitted emails are not valid. By voting in this Contest, you agree to receive emails from Turtle Island Restoration Network and SEE Turtles, which can be unsubscribed to at any time with an unsubscribe link embedded in all emails.

6. MEDIA: As a condition of entry into the Contest, except where prohibited by law, the charity winner agrees to have their name published online, or in any media entity, announcing their name as the winner of this Contest.

7. GRANT: Two winners to receive the stated grants. The first-place winner ($5,000 grant) will be determined by the organization that receives the most votes. A second winner ($1,000 grant) will be chosen randomly from all participating organizations.
8. WINNER: The winner will be notified via e-mail to the e-mail address provided on the TIRN entry form. The highest number of votes in the final round of the contest will determine the winner. Disqualification, forfeiture and the selection of an alternate winner may result from any of the following: (1) failure to respond to email notification within seven days of transmission; (2) the return of an email notification as undeliverable; (3) failure to provide Turtle Island Restoration Network and SEE Turtles with satisfactory proof of non-profit status.

Winning organizations also agree to share with Turtle Island Restoration Network and SEE Turtles how the grant funding was used in the protection and/or conservation of sea turtles including a photo or video that can be published in print or online with appropriate credit (including but not limited to social media, emails, and websites) by Turtle Island Restoration Network and SEE Turtles.

9. All expenses related to accepting and/or using a grant not listed in these rules are the sole responsibility of the winning organization.

10. GENERAL RULES: By entering, participating or voting in the Contest, participants agree to be bound by these Official Rules, and by the decisions of Turtle Island Restoration Network and SEE Turtles, which are final and binding in all respects. Contest Entities are not responsible for: (1) any incorrect or inaccurate information or technical failures of any kind, (2) unauthorized human intervention in any part of the entry process or the Contest; or (3) any other computer, network, technical, human or other error, problem or malfunction that may occur in connection with the administration of the Contest, the processing of entries, or the selection or notification of winners. Turtle Island Restoration Network and SEE Turtles reserve the right at their sole discretion to disqualify the entry of any individual or organization found to be (a) tampering or attempting to tamper with the entry process or the operation of the Contest or any website operated by the Contest Entities; (b) using any robotic, macro, automatic, programmed or like entry methods, which will void all such entries; (c) violating these Official Rules or the terms of service, conditions of use, and/or general rules of any Turtle Island Restoration Network and SEE Turtles property or service; or (d) acting in an unsportsmanlike or disruptive manner, or with intent to annoy, abuse, threaten, or harass any other person. Contest Entities are not responsible for claims, injuries, losses or damages of any kind resulting, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, from the awarding, delivery, acceptance, use, misuse, possession, loss or misdirection of the prize; participation in this Contest or in any activity or travel related thereto or from any interaction with, or downloading of, computer Contest information.

11. PARTICIPANT OBLIGATIONS: By entering, each entrant agrees to defend, indemnify, release and hold harmless Contest Entities from and against any and all losses, demands, damages, rights, claims, actions and liabilities of any kind arising
out of or related to entrant’s participation in the Contest or entrant’s participation in any grant-related activities (including, without limitation, any property loss, damage, personal injury or death caused to any person(s)). The Winner assumes all liability for any injury, death, or damage caused, or allegedly caused, by participating in this Contest or use or redemption of the prize. Any disputes that may arise hereunder shall be governed in all respects by the laws of the State of California without regard to the conflicts of laws principles of any jurisdiction.

12. PERSONAL INFORMATION: The personal information collected through this Contest is subject to Turtle Island Restoration Network and SEE Turtles Privacy Policies (available at https://seaturtles.org/privacy-policy/ and https://www.SEE Turtles.org/privacy-policy

Turtle Island Restoration Network and SEE Turtles do not knowingly collect personal information from anyone under the age of 13. The Contest and Sites are not directed at children under the age of 13. In the event that Turtle Island Restoration Network and SEE Turtles learn that it has collected personal information from a child under age 13 without parental consent, we will delete that information as quickly as possible.

13. REQUESTS: Please send a self-addressed envelope to TIRN, PO Box 370, Forest Knolls, CA 94933 for request of this printed list or a request for the winner’s name. Requests must be received no later than three months after the end of the Contest Period. This promotion is in no way sponsored, endorsed or administered by, or associated with, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram or Pinterest.