



## Rhodesian Ridgeback Charitable Foundation 2020 Report

### Excerpts from our November letter to the membership

"We have endured a year like no other, experiencing events and challenges unlike any other in our memory. Experiencing a pandemic and all its fallout has also made us stronger and more resilient. Together we can accomplish almost anything and allow us to emerge with clarity of purpose, more deeply connected, and equipped to fulfill our mission." We have great confidence that RRCF like RRCUS will recover and be stronger.

### Charitable Donations

We ended 2020 by donating \$7000 to three research projects vetted and recommended by the RRCUS Health and Genetics Committee. They are as follows:

1. CHF GRANT #02529 Understanding the Genetics of Adverse Drug Reactions in Sighthounds
2. CHF GRANT #02659 Breed Specific Reference Ranges for Canine Thyroid Testing
3. CHF GRANT #02800 Defining the Effect of genotype, Breed and Age on the Risk of Developing Canine Degenerate Myelopathy and Investigating the Molecular Mechanisms Underlying That Risk

Our contributions are less by almost 50% from last year mainly due to the loss of revenue from the cancelled National Specialty. We voted at our meeting in November to suspend our contribution to our Vanguard account for the near future in order to fund the projects mentioned above.

We would like to thank the RRCUS H&G Committee for their work in vetting these projects, not always easy given the number of research projects CHF

has in its portfolio each year. Additionally, we are anticipating the results of the Health Survey recently completed and certain to be a tool for identifying possibilities for future research projects and education seminars.

Everyone missed our National Specialty this year. Not only a time of seeing old friends, meeting new ones, and enjoying all the beautiful Ridgebacks presented for adjudication but also for the exchange of ideas. At previous Nationals RRCF has underwritten the Education Seminar. We would welcome a discussion about a similar event at this year's National in Texas.

### Financial Summary Report

Donations	\$ 9,311.67	
Operating Fee	\$ (1,876.30)	
5/3rd Service Charge		\$ (193.00)
Colorado Legal Team		\$ (10.00)
Printing Services November 2020		\$(1,363.00)
Shopify Fee		\$ (121.55)
Website		\$ (178.75)
Wells Fargo		\$ (10.00)
<b>Total Payment</b>	\$(13,160.08)	
Canine Health Foundation		\$(7,000.00)
Education Funding		\$(5,050.00)
RRCUS for Health & Genetics Seminar 2019		\$(1,110.00)
<b>Grand Total</b>	\$ (5,724.71)	

### Total Assets Ending December 31, 2020

Cash Assets	\$5,975.52	
Wells Fargo		\$1,291.62
5/3 <sup>rd</sup>		\$4,683.90
Vanguard	\$109,500.00	
<b>Grand Total</b>	\$115,475.52	

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