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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **The American Association of Feline Practitioners and EveryCat Health Foundation Announce Scholarships for 2023**

**[Bridgewater, NJ; Wyckoff, NJ; January 18, 2023]** – The American Association of Feline Practitioners (AAFP) and EveryCat Health Foundation are delighted to announce they are offering two \$2500 scholarships for veterinary students enrolled in accredited veterinary colleges or schools in the United States or Canada. The purpose of the scholarships is to support and encourage veterinary students who are interested in careers in feline medicine or clinical scientific research of felines. Available for third- or fourth-year veterinary students (Classes of 2023 and 2024), the scholarships will be awarded based on academic achievement, financial need, leadership skills, and excellence in the study of feline medicine.

“The future of feline veterinary care is dependent on students with a passion for feline medicine and research,” said Jackie Jaakola, Executive Director, EveryCat Health Foundation. “These scholarships will help facilitate that passion for two deserving students.”

To apply for the scholarships, students must submit a short application form conveniently located on the websites of [EveryCat Health Foundation](https://www.everycat.org) and the [AAFP](https://www.aafp.org). Applicants will be required to answer two essay questions that describe their specific interests and background in feline health and wellbeing, as well as their goals in pursuing feline medicine or clinical scientific research. A Scholarship Task Force comprised of volunteers from EveryCat Health Foundation and the AAFP will review the applications and select and approve the scholarship winners.

“We are excited to continue the partnership with EveryCat Health Foundation and engage with the next generation of veterinary professionals,” added Heather O’Steen, CAE, AAFP CEO. “We hope these scholarships will inspire veterinary students to focus on improving the standard of feline healthcare and wellbeing.”

The deadline to submit an application and the supplementary documents is 11:59 pm EDT on **March 17, 2023**. The scholarship winners will be notified of their award by **April 15, 2023**.

EveryCat Health Foundation also offers many educational resources and information regarding research grant awards on its [website](#). The AAFP offers exclusive resources on its [website](#) for veterinary students, including an updated Toolkit for Veterinary Students that outlines many of the AAFP's key publications and supplemental materials available for free.

Visit the [AAFP](#) or [EveryCat Health Foundation](#) websites to read the instructions and apply for the scholarships.

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### **About EveryCat Health Foundation**

EveryCat Health Foundation is the world's only nonprofit focused solely on funding feline health studies. Nearly 200 million cats bring joy to their companions across the world. Though cat ownership keeps growing, feline health research remains underfunded compared to many other animals. Since 1968, EveryCat Foundation has awarded over \$ 9 million in grants for groundbreaking cat health research at more than 30 partner institutions worldwide. This funding is made possible through the support of dedicated donors and partners. Research supported by EveryCat Health Foundation helps veterinarians by providing educational resources that improve treatment of common feline health problems and prevent many diseases. Grants are reviewed and awarded with the help of the foundation's expert Scientific Review Committee. For further information, visit [www.everycat.org](http://www.everycat.org).

### **About the American Association of Feline Practitioners**

[The American Association of Feline Practitioners \(AAFP\)](#) supports its members in improving the health and wellbeing of cats through high standards of practice, continuing education, and evidence-based medicine. As a trusted leader in the veterinary community, the AAFP has a long-standing reputation and track record for increasing the standard of care for cats through the development of practice guidelines, feline-specific education opportunities and materials, and [feline caregiver resources](#). Home to the Cat Friendly Practice® and Cat Friendly Certificate Programs, the AAFP encourages veterinary professionals of all levels to re-evaluate preconceived notions of practice strategies and advance the quality of feline medicine.