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Humane Slaughter Association (HSA) opens applications for funding through its awards and scholarships

The Humane Slaughter Association (HSA) is inviting applications for a special Travel Award for 2019 and its Student/Trainee Dorothy Sidley Memorial Scholarships.

The **2019 Travel Award** seeks to help those involved in improving animal welfare during transport, marketing or at slaughter to gain new expertise and knowledge which contributes to better animal welfare. The charity is making funds of up to £10,000 (in total) available to support travel and subsistence expenses for short-term, technical and/or scientific visits to appropriate, institutions and/or commercial operations. Applicants will need to demonstrate how they propose to disseminate the expertise gained during the travel and how the award will benefit the welfare of food animals. The closing date for applications for this special award is Friday 14th December 2018.

The **Student/Trainee Scholarships**, which were established in 1986 as a memorial to the late Miss Dorothy Sidley, General Secretary to the HSA for 48 years, provide up to £2,400 to enable successful applicants to carry out a project which is clearly aimed at improving the welfare of food animals in markets, during transport or at slaughter. The scholarships are open to undergraduate and postgraduate students in agricultural, veterinary or meat sciences and trainees in the livestock, meat and fish industries in the UK. Students registered at universities outside the UK which have a UFAW/HSA LINK are also eligible. The project may be carried out as an integral part of a student's coursework over an academic year or during the summer vacation. Applications close on Thursday 28th February 2019.

To apply and for further information on these and other grants that the HSA offers, please see www.hsa.org.uk/grants or contact the HSA office.

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Note to Editors:

The HSA is an independent charity recognised internationally for promoting scientific, technical and educational advances towards improving the welfare of food animals worldwide at slaughter, killing, marketing and transport.

Its work includes researching, refining and demonstrating humane slaughter methods, publishing material such as guidelines, best practice, books and videos, funding research projects and the development of equipment. Specialist technical staff provide expert and practical advice on all welfare issues relating to food animals.

The HSA is funded by voluntary donations, subscriptions and legacies.

For more information about the HSA's work call 01582 831919, email info@hsa.org.uk or visit www.hsa.org.uk

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