

***ad hoc* Donald W. and Glennis A. Kaufman Research Award Committee**

Committee Members: S. Fairbanks, J. Frey, J.R. Goheen, B. McMillan, A.W. Reed (Chair)

Mission:

The Kaufman Award was established with a substantial gift by anonymous patrons with the goal of supporting field-based ecological research, conducted in the grasslands of the Great Plains states and/or Canada Prairie Provinces by graduate student (MS or PhD) members of the American Society of Mammalogists (ASM), focusing on native mammals with a preference

given to research focused on rodents and/or shrews. A single \$3,000 award is available annually to qualified students enrolled in a MS or PhD program.

Information Items:

(1) We received 3 applications for the Kaufman award in 2024. We anticipate that application numbers will increase in the future as the award becomes more established within the society, particularly when it can be publicized at the Annual Meeting.

(2) This year's Kaufman Award winner will be announced during the Annual Meeting.

Action items:

(1) 2024-2025 Budget Request—no change from 2023-2024.

Kaufman Award	\$3000
Total Request	\$3000

These funds should be available from the award endowment and we require no additional funding from the Society.

Respectively submitted,

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