

HHT Mission Statement:

To advocate for, rescue, protect, and defend our God-given equine from abuse and neglect in Tennessee.

Equine Programs:

- Adoption Finding a home for a horse in need.
- Helping Hoof Help equine owners feed their horses during a financial crisis.
- Ultimate Act of Compassion - Helping equine owners with humane euthanasia
- Studs to Buds Gelding assistance to help lower the rate of unwanted.

It is through your generous support for HHT that we can continue to give a voice to those that cannot speak for themselves.

Wish List

- Feed: Purina Senior, Strategy, Alfalfa Pellets
- Gift cards: TSC, Rural King, Walmart, Lowes, Office Depot, Gas cards
- Hay: Horse quality square and round bales
- Fencing supplies
- Office: copy paper, paper towels, bottled water
- Dump trailer for manure and shavings

Neigh & Bray

Giving a voice to those who cannot speak for themselves.



Fall 2023

FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

In 24 years of operation at Horse Haven of Tennessee, we have witnessed hurdles, challenges, and celebrated many triumphs. We started in our founder's backyard, and we were built on a dream that was placed on her heart by God at a young age. A dream that some thought was unattainable. To many people's dismay, Horse Haven of Tennessee took off! We began on a small piece of property with few amenities. The news got out on who we were and the good we were doing in equine welfare, and the calls flooded in! We quickly ran out of room and there was always someone willing to raise their hand to offer help and a facility.

God has guided this organization on location, mission, and vision. We have been blessed by some amazing property owners who have given us space to continue our mission. We are thankful for our current property owners who have allowed us to have a reduced rent because they believe in everything we do. We knew that our lease was running out, and in our 24 years as an organization we have prayed for our forever facility.



We never questioned the wait or the location. Earlier this year, God gave us exactly what we prayed for, our FOREVER HOME! We can't wait to share this journey with YOU!

Executive Director

Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for Him; Psalms 37:7

Patience is a hard thing for me to grasp sometimes and I am always having to remind myself, in **His** time, not mine.

It has been twenty five years since the thought of starting a horse rescue entered my head. Since that time, I've learned everything comes at the right time and for the right reason. I've learned to be patient trying to get a horse help through the proper channels. I've learned to be patient during the long, drawn-out court cases to receive the justice for a horse fighting for its life. I've learned to be patient in everything "HHT" because it is a mission of God's, not mine.

It is with my extreme pleasure to announce **HHT** has been blessed to see one of our biggest dreams fulfilled after so many years of prayer. In the coming months you will be learning more about this blessing and the two people that made our dream a reality! We hope you will share in our excitement as we begin a new journey in the coming months as we prepare to move into our

VERY OWN FOREVER FACILITY!

Watch for more on "Lighting the Way."

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Contact info:

HHT - P.O. Box 30393 Knoxville, TN 37930 (865) 609-4030

Directions to facility:

Visits by appointment only. Take I-40 to Exit #369 (Watt Road) & turn south. Go to light and turn right onto Route 11. Follow Route 11 by taking a left at the next light. Continue 2 1/2 miles to light. Turn right onto Ford Road. HHT is located at 2477 Ford Road.

To help ensure the safety of our volunteers and horses, we request you do not visit without an appointment. We are open for private tours with a simple phone call to 865-609-4030

Meet some new arrivals



Milton - released Dino - released



Our main mission is to assist law enforcement across the state with equine that have been legally confiscated when an owner has been charged with animal cruelty; TN Code 39-14-201.





Throughout the length of court proceedings they are considered evidence and we are unable to share any information regarding them. Sometimes to the public eye it may seem we are not doing much in the field, but be assured we are busier than it seems on social media.

Two rescues in active court proceedings

Below: While in our care we keep the courts updated about the "evidence" we are holding for their case. Pictures, weights, and other pertinent information is recorded and the file is uploaded every week. We assist with testimony, when needed, as to what was witnessed or seen on pick-up. Veterinary records help show there were no underlying medical issue that might contribute to a poor condition. Necropsies are done on horses that have passed to show whether their death was caused by starvation or an underlying problem the owner had no control over. If the courts find it is in the best interest of the horses to be removed from their owners, they are placed into our program. The ones posted below just went through this process and we can now share them with you and place them into new homes.







Abe

Commander

Liberty









Fuji

Andes

Sierra

Denali

Horse Haven of Tennessee is the proud recipient of the Gore Family Memorial Foundation Trust Horse Whisperer Award

Established in 2020 by the EOUUS Foundation in honor of the Gore Family's commitment to protecting equines subjected to abuse, neglect, and at risk of slaughter.



Stable Thoughts From "Remus"

It takes a village...to run a horse rescue

From cleaning stalls to unloading hay, the HHT volunteers are always there for me and my friends. They brush me after a day of fun

rolling in the only muddy spot I can find and they always bring me my favorite meal twice a day.

REMUS

I would love for you to join our team! Check out our website to fill out an application! See you at the Barn!



University Family Physicians

HHT Hay Crew



We are excited to introduce you to our new Office Manager, **Kelly Hargett!** She resides in Seymour, TN with her boyfriend Josh, and cat Olive. On weekends, she can be found

more than likely at local craft shows and farmers markets either shopping and supporting local vendors, or setting up a booth herself! She and Josh own June's Hollow, a woodworking business that customizes in custom projects and laser engraving.

Kelly has a business degree with minors in communications and human recourses and 10+ years in office management. She finds joy in helping and supporting others, no matter the cause. Upon meeting Kelly, we knew she was perfect for our Office Manager role, and she has fit in well with the Horse Haven family!

In Honor Of

"Robin Hoffman"

Linda Ewald

"Kim Alexander"

Dustin & Ashley Ford

"Horse Haven of TN"

Delrene Sims

Adrienne Brown

Diane Henson

"Rose Elaine McAllister Studdard"

Arlene McAllister

"Camber McDaniel"

Brenda McDaniel

"Pebbles"

Maxine Fischer

"Leia Hayes & Phillip tying the knot!"

Debora Lashley

"Carol Harold's birthday"

Linda Smith-Staton

"Gabriel Cole"

Virginia McDonald

"Melissa Bealafeld"

Laura Derr

In Memory Of

Katie Girl"

Sandra Henderlight

"Toby"

Marthanne Carter

"Jack Heck & Lavonne Anderson"

Paul McGowan Jr.

Lisa Heck

"Bodie"

Diane Shular

"Jane Bower Curtis"

David & Dandy Martin

"Bud Hawkins"

Cynthia Hicks

"Fancy"

Edith Edwards

"Elliwood Keith Virginia"

Louise Senatore

"Susan Carney"

Angel Bernard

"Rango"

Maureen Errico

"Glenda F. Henry"

Tom Dooley

"Peggy Kate Harrell"

Paula Dyer

In Memory Of

"Ruby Kate Dodson"

Armistead Smith

Cynthia Bullion

Denise Smith

Judy Driskell

Rodney & Jeanne Gibson

Philip Peek

"Bill Hubbard"

Cynthia Hicks

Stall Sponsorship

Maureen Errico - In honor of Rango

Teri Everett

Kathleen Prendergast - In memory of her mother, Maryellen McKoy and her horse grandkids: Nicki, Ryan, Taylor, and Cal

Maxine & Paul Fischer

Melissa & Sheldon McCrossen

Paula Dyer - In honor of Kolby & Megan's engagement

Lisa Hoch

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HHT Calendar

Breakfast at the Barn December 9 9:00-11:30

Volunteer Orientation TBA



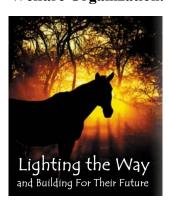
Dancing For The Horses Bridgewater Place May 10, 2024 6:00-10:00

For more information about all of our upcoming events log onto

www.horsehaventn.org

2024

Celebrating 25 Years as Tennessee's Oldest And Largest Equine Welfare Organization.



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