

## Donation Section

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Membership:  Family: \$25.00  Single: \$15.00

Giddy-up & Go:  \$50.00 or more \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other Donation:  \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please add me to your mailing list

Please make check payable to: Equine Rescue League of Southern, IN  
5318 Blue Ridge Rd  
Charlestown, IN 47111

Pegasus Donation  \$ \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

pet/person \_\_\_\_\_

Some of us would like our pets or loved ones remembered through our donations. If you would like for us to include a memory about your loved one in one of our newsletters, please tell us your story.

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## Our Goals Are:

- To provide a safe environment for any equine in need
- To rehabilitate those we can
- To place in a safe and loving home
- To help educate horse owners

**If you have any aluminum cans you would like to donate, please contact us and we will make arrangements to pick them up.**



## Attention All Horse Lovers

Tell your family and friends about us and help us get the word out!

### Helpful Hints:

In order to maintain a healthy horse don't forget to:

- Vaccinate annually
- Check teeth annually
- Worm quarterly
- Trim or shoe every 6 to 8 weeks
- Keep a salt or mineral block available
- Keep fresh water available at all times



## **Equine Rescue League of Southern Indiana, Inc.**

5318 Blue Ridge Rd  
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Established in 2003

We are a 501( c ) 3 Not-for-Profit organization located in Charlestown, IN.

**Our Purpose** is to provide a program of horse rescue for physically or psychologically abused, neglected or abandoned horses and to provide rehabilitation and placement, where indicated, or retirement within an environment of physical well-being and trust. In support of these efforts the organization seeks to increase beneficial human and equine relationships.

## About Us

Equine Rescue League of Southern Indiana, Inc. (ERLSI) is a small group of people who love horses, and are dedicated to rescuing abused and neglected equines (horses, ponies, donkeys, etc.) and rehabilitating them, so that they can be placed with a person or family that will love and care for them for the rest of their lives.

Our primary goal is to educate the public on the seriousness of the widespread problem and to prevent horse abuse and neglect by teaching them how to properly care for their animals. By this we mean new horse owners' who may not know the proper care of a horse, and inadvertently neglect it, or someone who has had a horse for a long time, and now the horse is older and needs a change of feed due to their age, or other physical problems.

We have done some pet therapy with the horses that we have rescued at a local rehabilitation hospital, and feel that it has been successful. We would like to continue to do this, and eventually open our facility up to troubled teens and adolescents.

### How & Why is an Animal Rescued?

When we get called on an abused or neglected equine, we usually go to the place where the animal is to see what the situation is. We will introduce ourselves (we wear badges, and carry membership cards so that there is no doubt who we are). We talk to the owner(s), and ask to take pictures of the animal and it's surroundings. Most of the time, the owners are very cooperative. If the animal is thin, but not in danger, we have a flip chart that we show the owner so that they will know why there is concern. We question them at that point and try to find out what is going on. If they need help in some way, we try to help them. We then set up a time to come back and check on the horse again. In cases like these, usually the horse has greatly improved.

If it is a case where the horse is dangerously thin, or in some other kind of danger, we will immediately call local law enforcement, or animal control to assess, and/or assist with this situation. A state veterinarian is then called in to give a recommendation. If he/she feels it necessary to remove the animal(s), we will then go get them (if we are needed) and bring them to one of our farms.

### What Happens to the Animal Once it is Rescued?

Once we have the animal(s) at one of our farms, our veterinarian and farrier are called to come out and perform a thorough medical evaluation. This includes vaccinations, de-worming, usually treatment for skin infections, teeth floating, and trimming their hooves. If we get a mare in that is old enough to be pregnant, we will have her checked so that we can give her the care she needs if she is pregnant. They are usually kept in stalls for two weeks, and if they are healthy enough and don't have anything contagious, they are turned out with other horses.

### What Happens Once the Animal is Healthy?

We keep each animal until they are a body score of five. This is the perfect weight for a horse. Once they have reached that weight, they are then put up for adoption unless the court has not released them to us yet.

### How do I Adopt a Horse?

If someone is interested in adopting, they are required to fill out an adoption application. The applicant is interviewed and screened by our board; we will go to the applicants place to make sure the horse will be in a safe environment, take pictures and then will decide whether they are approved or not. If the applicant is approved, they are required to come out and work with the horse that they have selected so that we can be sure the person can handle that horse, and that they get along.

### This is Poco, She is a Prime Example of What We Rescue



### Donations Needed:

- Hay (Good quality please)
- Sawdust, shavings or straw
- Water buckets (if you have any old insulated igloo water coolers, those would be greatly appreciated!)
- Feed tubs
- Salt blocks/Mineral blocks
- Vetraps
- Sheet Cottons
- Fencing & Tools
- Vitamins & Supplements

*If you are interested in donating any of these items you can contact us for a list of stores that will discount any item purchased for Equine Rescue League of Southern Indiana, Inc.*

### Volunteers Needed:

We need help with:

- Cleaning Stalls
- Feeding
- General Clean-up
- Fencing
- Mowing

*If you love horses but don't know a lot about them, there's no better way to learn than by volunteering!*

### And What We Apdopt Out!

