



# Hearts of Horse Haven



To advocate for, educate and give hope to equine across the Volunteer State

## ***Shelter in Place!***



How often have you heard this over the past few weeks? This coming right after our state fell victim to devastating tornadoes in middle TN. As we deal with these crisis like none we have ever seen before we realize just how quickly our circumstances can change. This has been especially hard on those who live paycheck to paycheck or are on a limited income. Many own equine and are scared about what the future holds. All of us here at Hearts of Horse Haven try to hold strong to the fact that God is in control. He has opened up opportunities that have allowed us to show care and compassion to those reaching out to us. Whether it was providing a truckload of round bales to an owner in need or halters for those effected by the tornadoes we try to help all we can. It is through your generosity and support that we have been able to provide these resources. Thank You! It is because of your volunteer spirit that so many needs have been met.

We will continue to reach out and help owners in need during the coming months. If you are aware of someone in need of assistance, please feel free to give them our contact information. (865) 573-8006 or email [heartsofhorsehaven@gmail.com](mailto:heartsofhorsehaven@gmail.com).

## ***Program Update!***

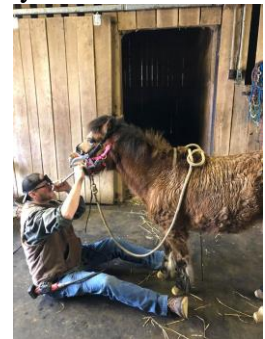


Luckily “sheltering in place” did not keep us from helping out Miss Cupcake. To us and others in equine rescue this is considered an essential commodity. Cupcakes elderly owner went into the hospital and is unable to provide for her needs. Our great volunteer Brenda picked up and made sure she was Vet checked and all her medical needs tended to before we met her

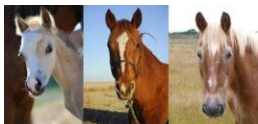
in Monterey to transport her back to Knoxville. We made sure to stay 6 feet away from each other and even though we had to bypass our usual hugs, it was great to see each other. Brenda has been a long supporter of animal rescue and works diligently within the state to help when needed. Thank You Brenda!

Cupcake has settled in well and is currently available for adoption. She is estimated to be around 30 years old and a very sweet pony. Her adoption fee is waived for the right owner. Are you that person?

We have other horses also waiting on that special someone to call their own. For more information you can go to [www.heartsofhorsehaven.org](http://www.heartsofhorsehaven.org)



***Cupcake getting some much needed dental work done.***




**Being a Responsible Equine Owner**  
*Requires more than love*

Our Equine Care booklets have been distributed to 46 entities across our state. The response has been great. Our goal is to have this resource available to every county by the end of 2020. We continue to believe our approach of “Education instead of Confiscation” is a very important practice to everyone dealing first hand with equine welfare.

Another way we are dealing with issues that face the equine welfare community is by forming the Tennessee Equine Welfare Alliance. This program will offer an opportunity to bring resources, accountability and problem solving to the forefront. Working together, like-minded professionals are working hard to find solutions and options to help those on the frontlines dealing with equine welfare in our state. The current eight-person guidance council is made up of individuals from across the state who bring years of experience to the table to help get this program launched. There will be more information coming to mailboxes and our website in the coming months.



We know the strain these past few months have taken a toll on families across the state. To help lighten your burden we have decided to re-evaluate how we will hold our main fundraiser for the year. We want to keep everyone safe so we will be following the “social distancing” request made by our government. We hope you find our event this year to be inventive while still staying focused and showing good financial stewardship. We’ve decided not to spend money on renting a venue, hiring musicians or caterers. Instead, we have decided to hold a carefree and relaxing event that you can enjoy from the protection of your own home. Below you will find your invitation to our event. Please share with others who you think would like to attend! To everyone who participates we will be sending you a special party favor through the mail.



**No HoeDown in this Town!**

You are invited **NOT TO** attend this  
Hearts of Horse Haven fundraising event!

**DATES:** April 1, 2020 through April 30, 2020

And **NO**, this is not an April Fool’s joke!

**LOCATIONS:** Your couch, your computer, your  
smart phone, you get the idea?

**COST:** A small donation based on what you  
think you would have spent had this been an  
actual event.

**Just Think!**

You don’t have to rent a tux and wear a black tie!

You don’t need to squeeze into that formal gown!

You don’t need to hire a babysitter to attend!

**Our take on this:** Why not take the money on what you would have spent on ticket’s to an  
event that you would rather not go to and  
donate those funds towards our Saving Grace program?

***Why We Need Your Support*** — nothing we do through Hearts of Horse Haven could be accomplished without your continued support and prayers. Your generous donations help us not only provide for equine in our care but also to support our programs throughout the year.

Your gift has more of an impact then you realize. So much goes on daily that never makes its way into social media. We are one of a few animal welfare organizations that does not constantly ask for donations. We prefer to be good stewards of our donor’s money, know our limitations and use every dollar wisely for our mission at hand.

Spring can be a trying time for owners. While winter hay stock dwindles some owners find themselves scrambling to get through until May hay season. Finding affordable hay can be hard and sometimes impossible. Cases of neglect may increase and by sending your tax-deductible donation today it enables us to be prepared for when horses or owners are in need.

Sincerely,

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