



Compassion Ranch

Animals getting second chances for life inspiring character traits compassion, patriotism, courage....

To donors, volunteers, advocates, other friends--progress, plans, possibilities – August 2023



Progress

Animal News:

1. **Crockett** is back to happy at home after eye surgery and three days in the hospital. Yes, he is running to friends.
2. **Chipper** Great Dane came here to keep him safe (no back yard, neighbor threatened to shoot). Named **Gipper**.
3. **Tessee Chaton** (kitten on the left) celebrated 1 year of life (rescued at 3 weeks without mom, underweight).
4. **Cody Bryant** got an emergency weekend eye exam, meds, and antibiotics from Dr. Easterwood. He got better, then worse, DDD treated with antibiotics, then better. Gave him a fly mask. Better.
5. **Nat** (cat in the loft) completed a month of meds and recovery, and her back leg is working better. She can walk.
6. **Wounded Warrior** got a fecal exam and de-wormer treatment by Dr. Dee Jones.
7. **Purina Feed rep Rebecca Weeks** visited Hank, Lincoln, and Warrior to recommend feeds.
8. **Ladybug Rest in Peace** (cancer, kidney failure...): world class lap dog, with us 2500+ days after rescue.

Education and Community:

1. **People's Justice Council:** selected Compassion Ranch hosted at Triple D Ranch & Farm as a Gulf States partner for "overall environmental leadership and specifically for work in ecological restoration (compassionate care of animals and regenerative farm/ranch practices), economic restoration (recycling and other nonprofit leadership practices that place planet and people over profit), and ecumenical restoration (civics/spirituality/personal leadership)." --Kyle Crider.
2. **National Veterans Day:** Col. Barefield filed to present the riderless horse in the parade November 11 (2006-).

Support--new:

1. **Caring Foundation of Blue Cross Blue Shield** of Alabama provided a grant to support our nonprofit programs.
2. **National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine** Gulf States Program sponsored valuable printing and supplies to support our programs that align with partner, The People's Justice Council.
3. **Judy Kehr** provided us \$2500 worth of animal food, and it did not cost her anything. She was a grand prize winner with Tractor Supply and she named us as the nonprofit to also benefit as a winner.
4. **American Legion Post 255** donated to help us buy more of the tack needed for Hank in the parade.
5. **Steve and Pam Bryant** donated to help pay Cody's medical expenses and a fan to help in the barn.
6. **Kayla & Michael Daniel** started monthly donations for Charlie aka Sir Charles and Chipper aka Gipper.
7. **CPT Steve Vance** (Alabama National Guard) pledged his cavalry saddle for our "riderless" horse.

Support--sustaining:

8. **Anonymous donor (Texas)** donates monthly for feed, plus sends nutritious "cookies" for horses and dogs.
9. **Nicole Baldridge/Baldrige Consulting (Michigan)** donates 2X monthly, adding a second donation recently.
10. **Terry Slaughter** donates monthly boarding support for Crockett that helps with feeding, health care....
11. **Carol Shauffhausen** donates canned cat food. We feed 60-90 cans per month.
12. **Caroline Uhl** (California) donates monthly in support of the cat she rescued, Tessee Chaton.
13. **Celeste Rogers** donates monthly in support of the three cats in our barn loft--Nat, Daggers, Scarlet.
14. **Kyle Crider** led moving our web site to a better web host. **Beverly Crider** helps with social media and photos.

Plans & Possibilities: Opportunities to Give Treasure

(do you see one on the list that fits your callings?)

1. **Caparisoned Horse tack**--black cavalry boots for parade.
2. **Saddle stand** to display cap tack – black wood.
3. **Hay** required daily for Hank. We feed 10,000 pounds hay plus 2,000 pounds supplemental feeds most months.
4. **Rehab Paddock** so Hank, Lincoln, Warrior have a safer home visitors enjoy – wood posts and rails, carpentry, recycle wire.
5. **Outdoor Ceiling Fans** to help 12 horses in the barn.
6. **Ceiling fan (xl)** for storage barn where cats live & people work.
7. **Shelter & pen for July/pony** in bad weather and meal time.
8. **Shelter and pen for donkeys** – Honk, Granny, Jill.
9. **Pen for goats** to encompass their shelter.
10. **Round pen to exercise/train/showcase horses.**
11. **Student workers (7):** stipends and scholarships to work 5-10 hours weekly.
12. **Sponsors to support boarding** (food, shelter, supplies, health care, meds, water, utilities...): horse \$10/day (\$300/mo); pony/donkey \$5 daily average (\$150/mo); dog/cat/goat \$1 / day (\$30/mo).
13. **Professional services needed** – discounted or donated by people who care about the animals, our purpose, this place:
 - o tree trimming crew (1 big tree next to fence and horses paddock needs high skilled crew)
 - o chain saw operator/s (fallen trees/limbs to clear trails & pasture, firewood...)
 - o farrier to trim hooves
 - o vet tech and caregiver to help assess fecals, treat with dewormers, groom...
 - o administrator – assist with receipts, expenses, taxes, mailing lists, reservations for events...so David can do more with animals, students, education programs...



A caparisoned (riderless) horse and soldier from the 3d U.S. Infantry Regiment (The Old Guard) honor the late Gen. (ret.) Colin Powell.



Opportunities to Give Time

1. **Media:** share our posts with friends looking for meaningful ways to help animals/students.
2. **Advocacy:** call/write to donors, foundations, journalists, individuals wanting to have impact.
3. **Horse exercise:** walk with Hank for 1.5-2 miles to prepare for the Veterans Day parade.
4. **Horse PTSD and gentling:** sit next to the fence of Lincoln, then offer a few treats.
5. **Horse grooming:** brush, comb mane...and/or take a walk.
6. **Equine care:** assist with grooming as we trim hooves or treat wounds...
7. **Dog grooming:** brush/comb or assist with baths...

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Web pages

Previous news: www.CompassionRanch.org/News

Donate to Sustain: www.CompassionRanch.org/Donate

501c3 nonprofit: IRS approved as Life Leaders America aka Life Leaders Institute & Ranch provides 3 synergistic programs:

Compassion Ranch – Patriotism in Action – Planning & Personal Leadership

