



Compassion Ranch & Institute

Mission

To provide compassionate care of animals in sanctuary for life; student development focused on life leadership, planning for life, and work ethic; public service presenting our "riderless horse" from Arlington National Cemetery, teaching Veterans Day started in Alabama history and character traits, and the Pledge of Allegiance....



Progress in 2024 Report to Partners & Friends

Page 1: see recent photos of life for some of the Animals of Compassion Ranch.

Page 2-3: review Actions & Progress.

Page 4: our animals listed for your information and consideration of supporting.





Goals in '24 Completed & Still Needed

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with *Life Leadership & Patriotism in Action* hosted at Triple D Ranch & Farm



✓ = Progress--done or underway. **Blue = Still needs action.**

Animal Care Funded by Partners, Friends, and Triple D Ranch & Farm

- ✓ 49 animals: provided food, water, shelter, care--grass, hay, supplements, meds, emergency vet care...
- ✓ Hank the Tank: extra hay, limited grass, and supplemental feed with Lincoln and Wounded Warrior.
- ✓ Cody: 50 pounds per week senior feed plus high fat supplement to help gain weight.
- ✓ Tractor and box blade old hay and manure to enrich soil, minimize worms, grow grass.
- ✓ Spay and Neuter: Beau, Snow, Harley, Tiger, Teddy.
- ✓ Feed and protect wildlife: share donated food for deer, birds, fish...on protected land – no hunting.
- ✓ Groomers: clean, brush...horses, ponies, donkeys (ongoing).
- ✓ Flea treatments dogs and cats.
- ✓ Hoof care/trimming (need more).
- ✓ Assist animal caregivers needing help to provide spay and neuter surgeries, emergency surgeries.
- ✓ Snow: 3 surgeries, recovery care, crate, protective exercise pen.
- ✓ Plan for purpose, diet, and care for each animal.

Facilities for Animals and People--Building and Improving

- ✓ Bryant Barn: add ceiling fans in feed room and loft, solar lights front and corral, stall rails.
 - ✓ Clear 5 acres of briars and dead trees to increase grass for horses: clear, bush hog, burn....
 - ✓ Garden & Greenhouse: gate and fence secure to protect dogs inside using greenhouse with XL dog door.
 - ✓ Play Garden Corral: add posts, 3 rails, wire, 2 gates, solar lights, fruit trees.
 - ✓ Orchard Pasture: fortify fence for pig, goat, ponies.
 - ✓ Gate arbor: raise higher for tractor clearance.
 - ✓ Goat Lane: repair goat shed roof, add 2 gates (each end) so can secure for feeding and fence repair.
 - ✓ Training Corral: add posts and 3rd set of rails to add strength for horses and better for student events.
 - ✓ Hangar garage: parking space set up for antique Farmall to use with guests on hayrides.
 - ✓ Compassion Corral: add 3rd set of rails for horses with kids, emergency foster of animals, events.
 - ✓ Cat walks in cat garden: replace weak wood in walks and ramps at house patio and garden.
 - ✓ Backyard Shed: build gate to recycling section with center area open for dogs.
 - ✓ Solar security cameras and lights to protect animals and property – farmhouse porch and entrance.
 - ✓ Watering ponds: deepen in Roadside Orchard Paddock, Arlington Paddock, North Pasture.
 - ✓ Hay & equipment protection + student shelter: build 2,000 square feet roof with corral fence at hangar.
 - ✓ Ponds: clear invasive saplings on island and around ponds.
1. Feed trough Star: repair.
 2. Stall door Wounded: repair.
 3. Cat walks: provide shelter for homeless cats eating above horses – Bryant Barn.
 4. Front Paddock Fence: finish replacing posts and wire with wood posts/rails, wire, top shelf for dog safety.
 5. Guest pet pen: add top fence to host dogs/cats – foster care and visitors wanting to bring pets.
 6. Hangar hay and equipment storage: add wire fence so dogs can join people safely.

Patriotism in Action (program since September 11 attacks, 2001)

- ✓ Proposal to Governor's team: teach *Veterans Day Started in Alabama* History and character traits Nov 1-11.
- ✓ *Hank the Tank at Arlington and in Alabama*: update riderless horse card, web page, publish for teachers.
- ✓ Veteran Award Banquet: place *Veterans Day Founded and Riderless Horse* cards at head table places.
- ✓ Veterans Day Parade: caparisoned horse and cap walker from Arlington--first time in history to have both!
- ✓ *America's Veterans Day Started in Alabama in 1947*: card donated to teachers, students, guests, parade...
- ✓ *The Pledge of Allegiance*: card with words and meaning – post to web and donate to students, teachers.
- ✓ Barefield Flagpole (in memory of Col. Bob Barefield): 8 US flags, solar lights, temporary sign.

Life Leadership (Personal Leadership, Plan for Life since 1992)

- ✓ Student and mentor experiences: with animals, learn, face fear, build courage, compassion...
- ✓ Volunteers: work parties and student experiences helping & connecting with animals, improving land...

Environmental Leadership (initiative since 2017)

- ✓ Meta page: *Environmental Leadership*.
- ✓ Recycle: metal/old fence, plastic, glass; re-use paper; use leaves in litter and return to earth instead of buy.
- ✓ College classes hosted: University of Montevallo Environmental Classes (2) with Professor Crider.
- ✓ Partner: *From Resilience to Restoration* – recycling, solar, natural agriculture, community, teaching...
- ✓ Farm: +10 fig trees, persimmon tree, blackberry bush, blueberry bushes, raspberry bush, mulberry tree.

Publications / Services / Programs

- ✓ Ranch Plan Book: strategic and operational plans – purposes, plans, possibilities.
- ✓ E-News: Progress and Plan 1-2 monthly.
- ✓ Report on 2024 goals completed and still need action.
- ✓ Brochure: Introducing animals, purposes, programs.
- ✓ Web site: CompassionRanch.org--riderless horse page, list each animal, Pinterest board of photos.
- ✓ Web site: LifeLeadersInstitute.org--Veterans Day Education, Patriotism in Action, Plan pages.
- ✓ Meta/Facebook pages: *Compassion Ranch, Patriotism in Action, Veterans Day Founding Education...*
- ✓ Instagram page: *Compassion Ranch*.
- ✓ Signs for trailer – Compassion Ranch magnet on back, Hank the Tank Riderless Horse sign for side.
- ✓ New logo.
- ✓ New shirts with new logo for student workers and volunteers.

Equipment

- ✓ Pallet forks for tractor to lift pallets of feed, building materials, fallen trees.
7. [Solar water barrels to help heat greenhouse for plants.](#)
 8. [Dog play pen inside and outside: for puppies, recovering dogs.](#)

Advancement and Money for the Mission

- ✓ Donations: to pay for animal feed, vet care, students cleaning animal areas for the year....
- ✓ 50+ individuals and families donated to help us feed and care....
- ✓ Caring Foundation of Blue Cross and Blue Shield grant.
- ✓ WalMart Foundation grant.
- ✓ Poarch Creek Indian Foundation grant.
- ✓ Giving Tuesday invitation to our friends on email.
- ✓ Land: barns, farmhouse, equipment, pasture, and lots of labor donated by Triple D Ranch & Farm.
- ✓ Update PayPal info with new nonprofit name with IRS and Alabama, Compassion Ranch and Institute.
- ✓ Donation options: add Venmo to PayPal and web site.

People Needed for the Next Level of Impact

- ✓ Trustee: planning, publications, programs, purchasing, projects...full-time donated.
 - ✓ Students: help with animal space cleaning, chores, projects (5 hours weekly).
 - ✓ Electrician: monthly and emergencies.
 - ✓ Mechanic: repair and maintenance of tractors monthly and emergencies.
 - ✓ Animal care tech: groom, trim hooves, lab fecal exams & treatments...(4+ hours weekly).
9. [Building and repair: carpenter/handy man or woman.... \(4+ hours weekly\).](#)

Capital Needs when Treasure & Time Increase

10. [Mini-excavator: dig watering holes every pasture, give prompt end-of-life burials.](#)
11. [Horse trailer: larger/2 stalls for the parade and vet clinic treatments.](#)
12. [Truck: safer to transport horses.](#)
13. [Pavilion Barn: covered arena for events, especially in rain, and year of hay storage, solar panels...](#)
14. [Land: acquire land for long-term protection of animals and programs, increase capabilities.](#)



The Animals of Compassion Ranch

Each animal has a story of challenge, victory, and helping us give back.
Each animal needs food & water, shelter & space, healthcare, caregiver & sponsor.

Names listed in order of rescue or adoption and year joining:

Equines & Farm Animals = 20 in 2024

Horses

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| 1. American Patriot (Anakus Flynn): 2007. | 8. Scarlett (Baye): 2019. |
| 2. Star (Star of the Bar): 2007. | 9. Crockett (Davy Crockett): 2020. |
| 3. Indy (Indian Legend): 2008. | 10. Lancelot: 2020. |
| 4. Cody (Cody Bryant): 2017. RIP 12-30-24. | 11. Brave (Braveheart): 2020. |
| 5. Princess (Princess Katie): 2017. | 12. Wounded Warrior: 2022. |
| 6. Spirit: 2019. | 13. Lincoln: 2023. |
| 7. Storm: 2019. | 14. Hank the Tank: 2023. |

Pony

15. July: 2020.

Donkeys

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| 16. Jill (Baby): 2010. | 18. Honk: 2017. |
| 17. June (Granny): 2010. | |

Goat

19. Bendi: 2022.

Pig

20. Wilbur: 2024.

Dogs = 9

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| 21. Chief: 2018. | 26. Gipper: 2023. |
| 22. Annie (Annie Oakley): 2020. | 27. Beau Buckley (Snow Man): 2024. |
| 23. Cowboy: 2020. | 28. Teddy: 2024. |
| 24. Triple D: 2022. | 29. Snow: 2024. |
| 25. Charlie (Sir Charles): 2023. | 30. Leila: 2024 (foster care). |

Cats = 16 in residence + 3 homeless

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| 31. Night (Mama Cat): 2010. | 41. Nat: 2023. |
| 32. Midnight: 2010. | 42. Scarlet: 2023. |
| 33. Diamond 2010. | 43. Frankie Feline: 2023. |
| 34. Angel: 2010. | 44. Harley Domino (HD): 2024. |
| 35. Tux: 2010. | 45. Snowflake: 2024. |
| 36. Panther: 2010. | 46. Tiger: 2024. |
| 37. Stormy Magic: 2021. | 47. Homeless at Orchard Barn: 2024. |
| 38. Tabitha Socks: 2021. | 48. Homeless at North Barn 2024. |
| 39. Tessee Chaton: 2022. | 49. Homeless at Hangar shelter: 2024 |
| 40. Daggers: 2023. | |

If inspired to sponsor or serve one or more animals or students here or from afar:
Doc@CompassionRanch.org or (205)422-6484 or CompassionRanch.org/Donate