



Compassion Ranch

Animals getting second chances for life inspiring character traits compassion, patriotism, courage aimed at our callings.

To donors, volunteers, advocates, other friends--progress, plans, possibilities—September 18, 2023



Lancelot in 2020, then called Lex.



Lancelot now — 300 pounds healthier.

Progress

Animal News:

1. **Lancelot** was rescued by the Chilton County Sheriff's Department near starvation in 2020 and gained 300 pounds with us! Donors help us buy food and health care. Volunteers help groom.
2. **Gipper:** got 24/7 access to the backyard when we changed from Large to XL dog door from the kitchen.
3. **Wounded Warrior:** gained 100 pounds and needs more. He gets 50 pounds of supplemental feed per week.
4. **Nat:** (a senior cat in the loft, after an apparent fall and hip injury) can walk again thanks to vet care, TLC!
5. **Barn paddock fence:** 500' of wood posts and rails replaced generations of weakened wire and rotten posts.
6. **Donations helped buy:** 1,600 pounds of feeds horses, ponies, donkeys, goats, dogs, cats; 10,000 pounds hay, 2 ceiling fans, feed scoop, horse fly masks, tack for parade, lumber for shelter (pony and donkeys)....

Education and Community:

1. **National Veterans Day:** Col. Barefield, chair of Patriotism in Action program who directs riderless horses, has been selected by the American Legion of Alabama as the Veteran of the Year and will be honored at the National Veteran Award banquet November 10.

Support--new:

1. **The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine** Gulf States Program and the **People's Justice Council** sponsored improve printing capabilities with a laser jet printer, ink, and paper. Our old one has been donated to a young family who recently adopted two 10-year-olds who can do better with school work. We also received a GoPro camera to film animals and events to inspire and inform.
2. **Cindy and Tom McLeod** donated to use where the animals need it most.
3. **CPT Steve Vance** donated his cavalry saddle for our "riderless" horse in the parade.

Plans & Possibilities: Opportunities to Give Treasure

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

1. **Two-stall barn with shelter for donkeys and ponies** in storms and winter weather. \$3000-4,000.
2. **Hay** required daily for Hank and benefits all equines: \$500 / mo.
3. **Student workers (7) scholarships:** teens work 5+ hours weekly.
4. **Sponsor Wounded Warrior:** hay, supplemental feed, health care...\$10 / day.
5. **Sponsor July:** hay, feed, glucosamine supplement, vet care...\$5 / day.
6. **Sponsor an animal or group** (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).
7. **Truck to pull horse trailer** — up to 7 years old Dodge Ram 2500 silver. Keep 2007 on farm.
8. **Horse Trailer** — stock trailer with two stalls, 7' high, silver, new or very safe. \$10,000.
9. **Caparisoned Horse tack**—donate or discount black cavalry boots.
10. **Professional services needed** — discounted or donated by people who care about our purposes:
 - ☆ **Farrier** to trim hooves of horses, ponies, donkeys...
 - ☆ **Vet tech and caregiver** to assess fecal exams, treat with dewormers, groom, trim...
 - ☆ **Tree trimming crew** (1 big tree next to fence needs skilled crew)...
 - ☆ **Chain saw operator/s** (fallen trees/limbs to clear trails & pasture, firewood...)
 - ☆ **Administrator** — receipts, supplies, income & expenses, taxes, email lists, event operations...

Donate for Impact

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- ☆ **Animals:** vet care, trimming, supplies...
- ☆ **Programs:** teachers and students class field trip or weekends with parents...
- ☆ **Students:** teen learn-work stipends for cleaning animal feed and water bowls, stalls, pens...
- ☆ **Land:** repair/improve animal spaces--barns, shelters, pens, fences, pastures...
- ☆ **Riderless horses:** to support National Veterans Day and support patriotism

Opportunities to Give Time

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

Have a calling or idea we may fulfill together? I can help: David / Dr. David Dyson,

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Web pages

Previous progress news: www.CompassionRanch.org/News

Donate to Sustain: www.CompassionRanch.org/Donate

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

Compassion Ranch – Patriotism in Action – Planning & Personal Leadership
www.CompassionRanch.org - www.PatriotismInAction.us - www.LifeLeadersInstitute.org