



# **HOPE Therapeutic Riding Center**

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## **Horse Sponsorship Guidelines**

(not all inclusive)

The purposes of the HOPE Horse Sponsorship Program are:

1. To help HOPE pay for the expense of maintaining its horses.
2. To allow the horses to be involved in activities outside their HOPE duties which will benefit them physically and emotionally.
3. To provide the sponsors with opportunities to donate money and goods and to receive a tax deduction for those donations.

### How It Works

1. The sponsor keeps the horse at his or her property or pays to board the horse at a facility approved by HOPE.
2. The sponsor provides all hay for the HOPE horse.
3. The sponsor pledges to donate to HOPE a set monthly amount which is intended to cover any needed grain and/or supplements, annual teeth floating, annual immunizations and regular hoof trimming (HOPE horses are not shod). At the end of the year, HOPE provides a donation tax receipt for these monthly donations as well as the hay and any other items purchased by the sponsor for the HOPE horse.
4. The sponsor has the opportunity to ride, care for, show and generally enjoy their sponsored horse. They are allowed and encouraged to use the HOPE horse for other equestrian activities such as 4-H, Pony Club, taking lessons, trail riding, or other activities approved by HOPE. It is not a benefit to HOPE or a HOPE horse if the horse be only a pasture pet. HOPE encourages use of the horse outside of HOPE lessons.

### Conditions

1. The HOPE horse must be available for all HOPE lessons and other HOPE events. Days and times will vary but sponsors will know in advance.
2. HOPE and the sponsor will sign a Horse Sponsorship Agreement which includes HOPE's standard Release of Liability.

### Partial Sponsorship

If you are not in a position to fully sponsor a HOPE horse there are partial sponsorship opportunities available. Contact HOPE for more details.