



Wild Hearts Equine Therapeutic Center, Inc.

135 Jim Joe Road, Seneca, SC 29678

wildheartsequinetherapy.org

864-991-9163

Dear Prospective Volunteer,

Wild Hearts Equine Therapeutic Center, Inc., also known as Wild Hearts Equine Therapy Center is a pending 501(c)(3) non-profit company that cultivates powerful connections between people and horses through innovative and customized equine-assisted learning and therapeutic riding programs. Our therapy models include Hippotherapy principles and the methods of Equine Assisted Growth and Learning Association (EAGALA), as well as non-traditional forms of therapy using Natural Horsemanship training methods with rescued horses.

It is our mission to provide a safe and compassionate environment that fosters physical, emotional and behavioral growth utilizing programs that enrich the quality of life for people of all ages.

Our programs go beyond typical riding and horsemanship lessons. Understanding the language and behavior of the horse, as well as evaluating the ability and readiness of the horse and the human to take the next step, is an integral part of all of our programs.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer in our program, please complete the enclosed application and return it to Wild Hearts Equine Therapeutic Center, Inc. at the address listed above. Background checks will be conducted by Wild Hearts Equine Therapeutic Center, Inc., as well as by South Carolina Special Olympics.

Thank you for your interest in Wild Hearts Equine Therapeutic Center, Inc. Please feel free to contact us with any questions. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

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VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

Volunteer Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

Email: _____

Preference for contacting you: Cell _____ Home phone _____ Email _____

My age range is:

Under 18

25-45

56-65

18-24

46-55

66+

Parent/Legal Guardian: _____

Address (if different from above):

Phone (if different from above): _____ **Email:** _____

How did you hear about our program(s)?

In the event of an emergency, please contact:

Name: _____ **Relationship:** _____

Phone: _____ **Alternate Phone:** _____

Physician's Name: _____ **Telephone:** _____

Preferred Medical Facility: _____

Health Insurance Carrier: _____ **Plan/Policy No:** _____

Existing Medical Conditions/Disability/Diagnosis: _____



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Volunteer Questionnaire

Please describe your horse experience. List any lessons, training, events that you have done/do with horses and for how many years.

Why are you choosing an equine therapy center as your area of interest?

What are some ways that horses show fear?

What are some things that may cause a horse to spook?

What is the best way to handle a horse spooking?

If a horse frightens you what should you do?

Anything else you would like us to know about you and your horse experience. Please include below.

I am available during the following times.



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The following are some potential opportunities for volunteering with Wild Hearts Equine Therapy Center. Please indicate your areas of interest, knowledge, or skill.

- GROOMING:**
 - I am comfortable around horses of various temperaments and know how to handle horses safely.
 - I would like to spend time brushing, cleaning hooves, bathing, and simply interacting with horses on the ground.

- HORSE CARE:** I enjoy helping to care for horses.
 - I am comfortable helping hold horses on days when the Veterinarian/Farrier provide services.
 - I am willing to clean and fill water tanks as needed.
 - I am confident handling horses during feeding times and willing to help feed in the mornings.
 - I am experienced with administering medications. (Circle route of admin. Oral IM IV)

- THERAPY:**
 - I have experience in therapy setting.
 - I am interested in assisting the instructor with therapy sessions.

- TRAINING:** I am an experienced horseman or horsewoman and would like to do ground work with rescued horses and potentially train them to succeed under saddle.

- WRANGLER:** I am willing to assist with non-horse related activities such as providing an extra set of eyes or hands, keep tack clean and organized, etc.

- FARM MAINTENANCE:** I am experienced with farm work such as putting up hay, mowing and fence repairs.

- PHOTOGRAPHER/VIDEOGRAPHER:** I have a camera or video camera that takes high quality photos and would like to photograph at the Center and/or at events.

- BUSINESS KNOWLEDGE:** I have a background in business management, business and/or policy formation, or business finance. I would be willing to consult as needed.

- EDUCATION:** I have the degree(s) in the following field of study.

- CERTIFICATIONS:** I have the following certifications.
 - EAGALA
 - PATH
 - CPR