





PROVIDING SECOND CHANCES FOR BETTER LIVES

The Dumb Friends League Harmony Equine
Center™ is a private rehabilitation and adoption
facility for abused and neglected horses, ponies,
donkeys and mules that have been removed from
their owners by law enforcement authorities. It
also serves as a centralized hub where horses
from humane societies and rescue groups in the
Midwest and southwestern United States can
receive training and re-homing.

Located near Franktown, Colo., the 168-acre facility includes three sizable, well-equipped barns for intake, training and adoptions, 26 pastures and turnouts, two indoor riding arenas and an education center. Our knowledgeable, professional staff and dedicated volunteers provide safe shelter, nutritious feed, top-quality care and training to the equines at the center.



HELPING HORSES

IN DESPERATE NEED

When formerly abused and neglected horses and other equines arrive at the Harmony Equine Center, they're given immediate medical care to relieve their suffering. Once they have been permanently surrendered to the center, they are evaluated for rehabilitation and potential adoption. The evaluation criteria follow a set of standards established by local equine and animal welfare professionals. They take into account the animals' medical and behavioral needs, their long-term prognosis for quality of life and their potential for adoption.

Horses that are candidates for rehabilitation receive veterinarian-approved treatment plans that help them gain weight and regain their health. Gentle, structured training programs help them overcome fear memories, develop new social skills and learn to trust. Rehabilitation may take a few weeks or many months.



FINDING NEW HOMES FOR HORSES

Once the animals at the Harmony Equine Center are restored to health, they are made available for adoption to responsible new owners through an application and interview process. Adoption fees start at \$100 and include gelding services for male animals, current vaccinations, de-worming, dental and farrier work, and professional training.

As a partner in The Right Horse Initiative, we're proud to support a national movement reframing the conversation about equine adoption. The Right Horse Initiative is a collective of industry professionals and equine welfare advocates working together to improve the lives of horses in transition through a dialogue of kindness and respect. The Harmony Equine Center is working with The Right Horse Initiative to promote the bond between horses and humans. We are good people for good horses, and everyone who loves horses has ownership in this movement.

ENCOURAGING EDUCATION

The Harmony Equine Center offers a variety of learning opportunities to the public, including:

- an annual open house with tours, training demonstrations, adoptable horses and more
- summer classes on horse selection, adoption and care, and an Equine Exploration Camp for young horse enthusiasts
- the *Harmony Equine Center Post* e-newsletter featuring horse training and health care tips, adoption stories, events and more





YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

The Harmony Equine Center depends on donations from individuals and foundations. Your gifts help formerly neglected and abused horses receive relief from suffering, loving care, nourishing feed, veterinary treatment, professional training and opportunities for new lives.

Matching Gift Opportunity

The Harmony Equine Center has strong support from generous donors who will match your gift dollar-for-dollar. To learn more about giving options, visit ddfl.org.

You can also make a difference for the horses at the Harmony Equine Center by assisting in their care as a volunteer. To learn more, visit ddfl.org/volunteer.

For more information on the Harmony Equine Center, visit ddfl.org or call 303.751.5772.

OUR MISSION

Working with our compassionate community, we will end pet homelessness and animal suffering.

OUR COMMUNITY COMMITMENT

As an organization, the Dumb Friends League is guided by:

Compassion for all animals that come through our doors—whether they are lost, relinquished or suffering, we will give them the treatment and care they need.

Compassion for every person that enters our facilities—whether they are here to adopt, here to find their lost pet or here because they are unable to care for their pet and trust us to treat it with love and kindness.

Compassion for people and animals in our community—providing spay/neuter services at reduced fees, investigating instances of animal mistreatment and neglect, offering behavior counseling to pet owners and delivering humane education to teach respect for animals.



Hours

Friday, Saturday & Sunday: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. All other days by appointment.

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