



EQUESTRIAN THERAPY VOLUNTEER POSITION DESCRIPTION

Title: Equestrian Therapy Volunteer, working with animals and individuals
Reports to: Equestrian Therapy Supervisor

We believe that every person deserves a safe, enriching, and stable environment in which to thrive with dignity and respect. Our mission is to provide individualized, innovative care and ongoing support for people in our community with complex physical and intellectual challenges.

POSITION SUMMARY:

Volunteers will assist with equestrian therapy (riding) and equine awareness (working).

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Assist with everyday care of the animals including but not limited to: mucking stalls, grooming, feeding.
- Assist with everyday maintenance of the stable including but not limited to: cleaning fields, filling water buckets, moving hay.
- Assist with equestrian therapy including but not limited to: side walking and leading horse.
- Assist with equine awareness therapy including but not limited to: assisting individuals with doing basic barn chores.

PERSONAL QUALITIES:

Volunteers should exhibit characteristics of maturity and a desire to help severely disabled individuals enjoy animals in an equine stable environment.

QUALIFICATIONS & REQUIREMENTS:

- Minimum age of 15 years for working with individuals
- Experience with horses is an advantage, but not necessary
- Complete all required clearances
- Verland-based training and in-servicing, as needed

REPORTS TO:

Equestrian Therapy Supervisor and Equestrian Therapy Aides.

TIME COMMITMENT:

- 1-2+ hours a week
- Time to complete tasks that arise.

BENEFITS TO VOLUNTEER:

- Personal satisfaction
- Raising awareness and providing education
- Social benefits
- Personal benefits of being around animals

APPROVED BY EQUESTRIAN THERAPY SUPERVISOR, Chelsea Martinowsky

Signature

Date