

EQUINE DONATION INFORMATION

If you are considering offering your horse to STAR please read this page first.

Characteristics of an excellent STAR Horse:

- Patient, gentle, and tolerant
- Easy to handle on the ground
- Easy to handle under saddle
- Stands quietly in crossties for grooming and tacking
- Easy to keep/maintain
- Has a strong back and legs
- Low spook reaction
- Sound at the walk/trot/canter
- Mares or Geldings only
- Smooth, slow gaits preferred
- Up to date on shots and Coggins test

NOTE: Any gaited horses must be under 15.0 hands due to volunteer limitations trying to keep up with gaited stock on the ground.

Donations:

STAR will accept animals for donation only if the following criteria are met:

- Must be under 17 years of age
- Free of vices
- Sound & healthy
- Fit our specific needs
- Passes the trial period at STAR without reservation

All rights to the horse are forfeit and a tax donation receipt will be issued. In the eventuality that the horse can no longer work in the program they will be moved to a retirement home if feasible.

There are chronic factors that will effect placement in the program which include but are not limited to:

- Navicular Syndrome
- Arthritis
- Ringbone
- Cushings

Many medical conditions require too much maintenance or are a liability for our riders, therefore these animals cannot be accepted into the program. (Moon Blindness, Severe Founder/Laminitis and Heaves/COPD.)

All horses/ponies must pass an on-site screening and will be given a trial period at the STAR facility for approximately 2 months. (We want to make sure that your horse is comfortable at STAR and that it will be a good fit for our program.)