

### **Equine Therapy for Special Needs**

# **Hooves for Harmony Volunteer Information and Application**

## **Expectations and Safety Guidelines:**

- Please abide by the speed limit of 5mph and park in designated areas.
- Please do not bring pets or children that will not be volunteering.
- Please do not pet or feed any horses that are not therapy horses.
- ❖ If you bring treats for the horses it is really important not to hand-feed. You can feed it to them in bowls after therapy over. Hand-feeding can VERY quickly lead to biting little fingers! Also, once they see treats, they won't want to work until they have it. Please leave treats in the car or far away until we are done.
- We do on occasion have the opportunity for volunteers to ride. There will be times that we don't have time for this. Please be respectful of that.
- The most important thing during a Sunday morning is the rider. Please focus attention on the rider having a pleasant experience and giving them encouragement.
- Please turn off cell phones or leave them in the car. Our riders deserve our undivided attention.

### **Volunteer Dress Code**

- This is all about having fun outdoors and having a meaningful experience, so by all means dress comfy. However, this is a business and we want to look professional!
- No bare midriffs or very low-cut tops.
- No ripped jeans or ones with holes. Please look clean and tidy.
- Refrain from wearing dangly jewelry. Little hands like to grab it and it is just all around dangerous at a barn.
- ❖ Wear shoes that are comfortable to walk in. No open toed shoes! If you want to ride, you must wear long pants and tennis shoes or riding boots.
- Once T-shirts are available, please wear a Hooves for Harmony shirt.

All volunteers will have a background check performed in compliance with MEGAN'S LAW to protect the safety of our riders.

# **Application**

Name:
Address:
Phone:
Email:
How did you hear about us?
Why are you interested in participating?