



Wild Horse Sanctuary

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Winter Hardships!

Dear Friend,

Everything is so bright and fresh after our first storms of the season - summer dust is settled and the challenge of providing hay all winter in rain, snow or mud becomes a daily chore and a major expense.

Our limited core staff continues to work very hard for the much needed funding for hay and all other necessities for the horses. The horses we care for have been through hardships that no living creature should ever endure. We continue to receive calls from various agencies and individuals that want us to take horses that have been left in terrible conditions and often without even food or water.

The Sanctuary receives no government grants, so we solely depend on the sale of our gift items, our trail rides and most importantly the generous donations from all of you!! Rides, adoptions and sales take a great deal of time and coordination, but they are essential for our survival. Without your financial help and our tremendous team of volunteers it would be literally impossible to maintain the great environment here at The Wild Horse Sanctuary, so any gift you could give is an expression of love and concern and greatly appreciated.

Our yearly placement of weanlings went quite well again this year, and though it doesn't bring in significant revenues it did fund enough to buy two truck and trailer loads of hay, enough to feed our resident herd for almost a whole month!!



Getting acquainted - a foal's first touch as Volunteers begin the gentling process.

The volunteers did an exceptional job handling the babies and their transition to domestic life was off to a good start.

As this year draws rapidly to an end, we want to take this moment to say . . . thank you and thank you again for all your past and future support! We welcome you to come and spend time feeding, visiting and observing the wild horses with us, it's a great time and a wonderful feeling knowing that you have played an integral part in maintaining such an important piece of our American history and culture by saving these magnificent animals!



WHS weanlings all went to new homes – making sure that we have room for older wild horses in need of rescue.

Warmest Wishes,

Dianne

Dianne Nelson

P.S. It means so much to have your help & support - any gift you can give is greatly needed as it is appreciated!

Wild Horse Sanctuary Contribution & Order Form

- Yes, I want to help.
- Enclosed is my check for:
- \$38 to feed one unsponsored horse for one month.
- \$50 to become a member of the Sanctuary
- \$114 to care for an unsponsored horse for 3 months.
- \$456 to sponsor a horse for one year.
- ___ Calendars, \$12.95 each plus \$3 shipping.
- \$_____ to rebuild cabins.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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