

# The Georgia Equine Rescue League, Ltd









# What is the Georgia Equine Rescue League?

- ⦿ A non-profit organization
- ⦿ A fundraising organization that raises monies to help neglected and abused horses in the state of Georgia
- ⦿ A network of equine enthusiasts that can help serve as sources of information to horse owners
- ⦿ A network of equine enthusiasts that provide a foster care and an adoption system for horses in dire situations

# Who is the Georgia Equine Rescue League?

- A five volunteers that serve on the board of directors that oversee the day to day operations of the organization
- A dozen other volunteers that serve on various committees and the advisory board
- Over 200 equine loving members
- You!



# What isn't the Georgia Equine Rescue League?

- ◉ We are not a law enforcement organization and cannot enforce laws nor confiscate neglected and/or abused animals



# What isn't the Georgia Equine Rescue League?

- The Georgia Department of Agriculture's Equine Division (GDA)
  - > Responds to concerns about violation of the state's humane treatment of equines act.
  - > Runs three impound facilities where confiscated animals are rehabilitated
  - > Employs equine inspectors to investigate calls of equine abuse and neglect



# What Can you Do?

- ◎ Attend GERL fundraisers
  - > Come bring your horse, ride and meet great horse people from all over Georgia!
- ◎ Annual Fundraisers
  - > Poker ride (Early Spring)
  - > Gene Ensminger Memorial Ride (Late Spring)
  - > Fall Fest

# What can you do?

- Report any cases of equine abuse or neglect to the GDA
  - > What are Georgia's laws?
    - Visit <http://agr.georgia.gov> and enter equine laws into the search bar



# What can you do?

- ◎ Volunteer with the GDA impound barns
  - > Call 404-656-3713 and ask for a volunteer packet



# What can you do?

- ◎ Become a member, join the Georgia Equine Rescue League!
  - > Have your membership fees go directly to helping the horses of Georgia
  - > Receive a monthly newsletter about horse rescue efforts in Georgia
    - Through the newsletter you will read invitations to our fundraisers and many other equine related functions across the state
  - > Stay informed through the GERL Facebook page

# What can you do? - GERL

- ◎ Become an area coordinator
  - > Be a public contact for GERL in your area
  - > Assist GERL in inspecting potential foster and/or adoptive homes
  - > Provide follow up visits to foster and/or adoptive homes
  - > Assist GERL with public education in your area

# What can you do? - GERL

- ◎ Become a foster home
  - > Provide a safe environment for a neglected or abused horse
  - > Submit to inspections by GERL Area Coordinators or board members
  - > Work to ready horses to enter forever homes

# What can you do? - GERL

- ◎ Volunteer at GERL fundraisers
  - > Event Set Up/Take down
  - > Registration
  - > Meal Set up/serving
  - > Selling T-shirts
  - > Meeting and Greeting!



# What can you do? - GERL

- ◉ Volunteer to educate the public
  - > Man a booth at a fairs, shows, or clinics
  - > Speak to groups
    - FFA, 4H, scout troops, etc.



# What can you do? - GERL

- ◎ Adopt a horse!
  - > Provide a forever home to a horse in need!



# What can you do? - GERL

## ◎ Make a donation

- > Monetary donations made to the GERL go directly to help Georgia's horses!
  - Covering costs such as feed, hay, veterinary and farrier bills
- > Donate hay, farm tools, services (farrier, training, transport)

# How do I join the rescue league?

- ◎ Fill out a membership form
  - > [www.gerlltd.org](http://www.gerlltd.org)
  - > Back page of each GERL newsletter
  - > See me after the presentation!
- ◎ Send in your membership form and dues!

Will it make a difference?





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With your help  
we will make a difference!