



## Voice For Horses Rescue Network

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### **EQUINE FOSTER CARE PROGRAM**

The Foster Care Program offered by Voice For Horses Rescue Network has been developed to give individuals and families the opportunity to sponsor a rescued equine from our facility. These animals that have suffered from hunger, neglect, and abuse, need to receive the proper veterinary care and rehabilitation in an environment that offers them safety and security. Foster homes can provide a horse with individual attention and affection. This also allows a special relationship to develop between the horse and its foster family, making a difference in the animal's self-confidence and attitude. As a foster family, you will be able to groom your horse, feed him special treats, and just spend time making him feel loved and wanted.

Foster homes help place the horses in permanent homes. No one knows a horse better than the person that feeds it daily, grooms it regularly, and interacts with it routinely.

Foster homes provide valuable input when matching applicants with horses, and are encouraged to participate in the process.

Foster homes must provide for the horse's expenses while in their care. This includes routine veterinary care, farrier, feed, worming, and boarding expenses.

All expenses incurred while fostering a VFHRN horses are tax deductible.

Veterinary care may be obtained through the VFHJRN veterinarian. If distance limits, the foster home may employ their preferred veterinarian but must submit a report to VFHRN for updating the horse's file.

All horses will be initially vaccinated, EIA tested, and wormed prior to placement, if the situation allows for this. In some cases, time is not an option and a horse must be relocated quickly. If time prevents prior vaccination before delivery to the foster home, veterinary care will be provided for at the time of delivery. The horse in foster will be up to date on everything and would not pose a liability to any horses already in the foster home's care.

Foster homes are able to specify the type of horse they would prefer to work with. Obviously placing a yearling with someone who is not comfortable with the actions of younger horses would not be a good environment for the horse or the foster home.

When a horse is placed in foster care, the foster home has the first right to adopt once the horse becomes available. The foster home will have two weeks from the available date to make their intentions known and then the horse will be made available to the general public.

All foster homes must be pre-approved for fostering an equine belonging to VFHRN before they are placed in the database of approved foster homes maintained by the rescue.

### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THIS APPLICATION**

Please read and complete this entire document carefully and mail it to the address above or scan and email it to voiceforhorses@att.net. This application must be completed in full and signed with an actual signature (not typed). Applications that are not completely filled out will not be approved.

*Note: This agreement is for the protection of the horse and the foster home, not to keep you from fostering one.*

### **APPLICATION PROCESSING**

All information and references submitted on this application may be reviewed by our staff and in signing it you are agreeing to the terms within. Horses are placed on the basis of what is best for the horse at the time of need. In cases where there is more than one request for the same horse, the decision as to foster home will be voted on by our Board of Directors.

### **APPROVAL**

Once this application is approved by the Voice For Horses Rescue Network Board of Directors and signed by a representative, it is a legally-binding contract and agreement regarding the foster's care of the foster horse(s).

**All applicants must be at least 18 years of age with no history of animal abuse or neglect**

*Our only goal is to find the best home for the horses that pass through our gates. If you can provide that home, we are more than willing to work with you.*

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about us? \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICANT INFORMATION**

**Applicant's** Current Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Years with this Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Hours worked per week: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Co-Applicant's** Current

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Years with this Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Hours worked per week: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer's  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**ANIMALS OWNED:**

Please list all animals currently owned and length of ownership  
(INDICATE IF ANY DO NOT LIVE WITH YOU CURRENTLY & REASON WHY): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

If none currently owned, list any past owned, and when \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## HORSE PROPERTY LOCATION

If the horse will be kept someplace other than the street address listed above, please provide:

Name of the facility: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person and phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

What type of boarding will be provided? (full/partial)? \_\_\_\_\_

## CURRENT HORSE INFORMATION

How many horses do you currently have? \_\_\_\_\_

Date of last vaccinations for your horses: \_\_\_\_\_

Date the horses were last dewormed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of last negative Coggins, (if applicable) please list date on all horses

## HORSE EXPERIENCE

Is this your first horse? \_\_\_\_\_

If you currently do not have any horses, have you previously owned and if so for how long? \_\_\_\_\_

In the past five years, have you given away or sold any horses? Please explain.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

In the past five years, have you had any horses pass on while in your care? Please explain. \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever surrendered a horse to a humane society, rescue organization, or animal control? Please explain. \_\_\_\_\_

**HORSE(S) YOU ARE INTERESTED IN** List names in order of preference:

1) \_\_\_\_\_ 2) \_\_\_\_\_ 3.) \_\_\_\_\_

How much time per week do you plan on spending with the horse? \_\_\_\_\_

Describe your experience with handling, caring for, riding, and/or training horses.

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**CARE:**

Who will be feeding the horse? \_\_\_\_\_

How often do you plan on having a farrier trim or shoe the horse? \_\_\_\_\_

How often do you plan on worming the horse? \_\_\_\_\_

How often to you plan on having a veterinarian visit the horse? \_\_\_\_\_

Will the horse be kept in a barn or pasture? \_\_\_\_\_

If the horse is in a barn, what size are the stalls? \_\_\_\_\_

If the horse is in a barn, how often and how many hours will they be turned out? \_\_\_\_\_

If the horse will be kept in pasture, what size is the paddock/pasture? \_\_\_\_\_

How many other horses are in the paddock/pasture? \_\_\_\_\_

Type and size of shelter in the paddock/pasture: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of fencing surrounding the paddock/pasture: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you or any member of your family, or co-applicant or co-applicant's family ever been charged/arrested for any type of animal welfare violation? \_\_\_\_\_

Was there a conviction? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, describe in detail: \_\_\_\_\_

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**REQUIRED REFERENCE INFORMATION:**

Please provide any professional references regarding your involvement with horses  
**(One must be your veterinarian)** Others may include farrier, trainer, etc

References should not be members of your immediate family. The vet and farrier may not also be listed as a personal reference. *Please tell your references to expect to hear from an VFHRN volunteer and authorize your vet and farrier to talk to Voice For Horses Rescue Network.*

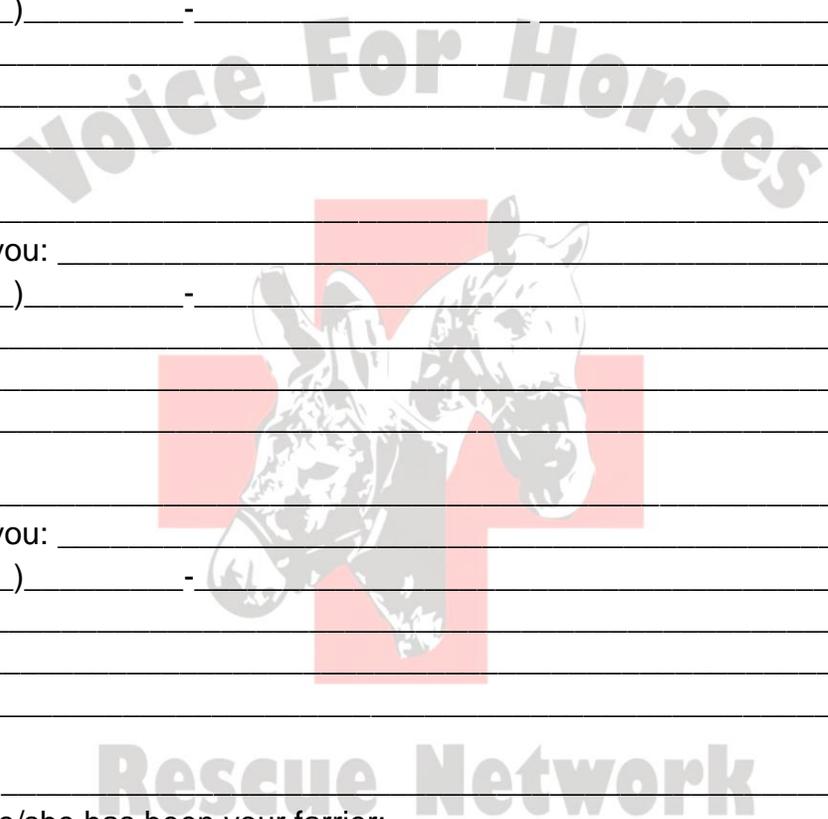
1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. Farrier Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Length of time he/she has been your farrier: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Veterinarian \_\_\_\_\_  
Length of time he/she has been your vet: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_



This veterinarian will \_\_\_\_\_ will not \_\_\_\_\_ be the veterinarian caring for the foster Horse.

If not, please provide the name of the veterinarian who will be caring for them:

Veterinarian \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please notify your vet that a Voice For Horses Rescue volunteer will be contacting them and give them permission to release information.**

**Confidentiality Statement:** I agree that certain information concerning Voice For Horses rescue Network may be confidential and I will use discretion discussing VFHRN policies, procedures, cases and other business with anyone.. I also understand that as part of my volunteering, it is a privilege not a right . No email message will be forwarded to or discussed Information with anyone without receiving permission from an officer of VFHRN. I have read, understand, and agree to abide to this statement outlined herein.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**WAIVER OF LIABILITY:**

By signing below, the foster understands that Voice For Horses Rescue makes no representations or warranties concerning any horse offered for foster through the programs, including but not limited to the condition, health, temperament, soundness, or fitness for particular purpose.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Foster's Initials

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Foster understands and agrees that Voice For Horses Rescue, its officers, directors, representatives, volunteers, agents, servants, and assigns, are not liable for any representations or misrepresentations concerning any horse offered for foster through this program; all information listed on the website via [www.voiceforhorses.org](http://www.voiceforhorses.org), and/or divisions thereof, regarding any particular horse is based solely on information provided by the owners or authorized caretakers

\_\_\_\_\_  
Foster's Initials Date

I, \_\_\_\_ (foster), do hereby release Voice For Horses Rescue , its officers, directors, representatives, volunteers, agents, servants, and assigns (collectively "Releases") of and from any liability arising from representations, misrepresentations, care and handling of the horses offered for adoption/sale either via [www.voiceforhorses.org](http://www.voiceforhorses.org) or any divisions thereof.

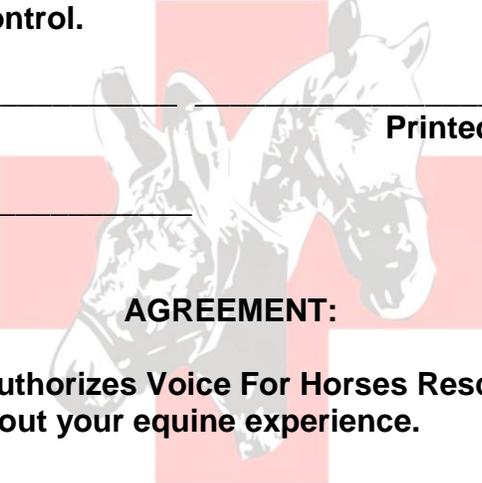
\_\_\_\_\_  
Foster's Initials Date

I further agree that Releasees are not liable for the mistakes and/or negligence and/or intentional acts of service providers and/or contractors such as livestock haulers, veterinarians, or handlers who may at any time be in the care, custody and control of the horse I am fostering. I understand that I may pursue claims against such third parties for any damages caused by mistakes, negligence and/or intentional acts of such third parties during the time that my horse is in their care, custody and control.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Foster Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

Date \_\_\_\_\_



**AGREEMENT:**

Signing this application authorizes Voice For Horses Rescue to contact the listed references and inquire about your equine experience.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Foster's Initials Date

This agreement is accepted by:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signed

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

Date \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Foster's signature warrants that the foster is at least 18 years of age at the time of signature and acknowledges receipt of the Terms and Conditions contained within this agreement.*