

Adopt a Horse Month

May is Adopt a Horse Month and Days End Farm Horse Rescue (DEFHR), in Woodbine, MD, has teamed up with the ASPCA to celebrate by offering an adoption fee for non-riding companion horses of just \$1 for this month only.



May is the ideal month to find your non-riding companion or groundwork horse.

While these horses may not be rideable, they have plenty of love, personality, and companionship to offer. Whether you're looking for a pasture pal, a horse for groundwork, or just a gentle soul, now is the time to adopt.



Congratulations to Victor and his adopters, who kicked off Adopt a Horse Month by celebrating their adoption day on May 1.

[Currently Available Horses](#)

Did You Know?



DEFHR's classes for law enforcement officers feature theory and practical learning.

DEFHR offers hands-on horse handling skill classes for law enforcement and equine cruelty investigators. Our interactive training is designed specifically for law enforcement officers to build confidence and competence in handling horses during animal welfare cases. Sessions include a classroom component on horse psychology, equine behavior, and communication, as well as practical learning experiences.

Next training session: June 18

[Register Here](#)

Summer Internship Opportunity

Are you a high school junior, senior, college student, or recent grad looking for a meaningful and fun way to spend your summer? DEFHR is hiring Education Interns for summer camp. This paid internship is a great fit for anyone passionate about teaching, outdoor education, agriculture, or equestrian instruction.



You'll gain hands-on experience leading activities and working with campers ages 7 to 17. Join us for select weeks or spend the whole summer with us. If you're enthusiastic, love working with kids, and want to make a real difference this summer, we'd love to hear from you.

[Apply Now](#)

Horsemanship Clinics



Don't miss your chance to learn from DEFHR trainers. Our summer 2025 Horsemanship Clinics offer participants and their horses a one-hour semi-private session with either Head Trainer Sara Strauss or Assistant Trainer Leigha Schrader. Bring your own horse and choose between a mounted lesson or groundwork. No horse? No problem! Learn groundwork alongside one of our DEFHR horses. All levels and abilities welcome. Come for just your time slot, or stay for the whole day and audit with other clinic participants.

Dates: June 20, August 22, September 20

[Sign Up Now](#)

New Arrivals

Meet the newest arrivals to DEFHR, Gooseberry and Hazel. They were found wandering at large with no halters or identification. DEFHR has taken physical and legal custody of the horses, who are underweight and in need of some TLC, but are now safe and on the path to healing.



New arrivals: chestnut stallion Gooseberry and bay mare Hazel

[Support Gooseberry and Hazel](#)

Charity Golf

Join us at the beautiful Worthington Manor Golf Club in Frederick County, MD, for DEFHR's fourth annual equine welfare charity golf tournament on Thursday, June 12.



Hosted by DEFHR and Tournament Co-Chairs Chris Gordon, NBC legal analyst and DEFHR board member, and Johnny Holliday, the iconic voice of the University of Maryland Terrapins, this event brings together golf lovers and horse advocates for a day of fun and fundraising in the form of an 18-hole scramble tournament. Whether you're golfing, sponsoring, or just coming for lunch, there's a way for everyone to make a difference.

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Summer Camp Registration

This summer's two Legacy Camps at DEFHR are open to horse-loving kids aged seven to 17. Camp is the perfect place to combine your child's passion for horses with learning, fun, and giving back.



Junior Legacy Camp (ages 7-11), \$295/week

July 7-11
July 21-25
August 4-8

Youth Legacy Camp (ages 12-17), \$225/week

June 23-27
July 14-18
July 28-August 1

Both programs nurture your child's love for horses while teaching them about equine care and opportunities to volunteer at our rescue.

[Sign Up for Legacy Camp](#)

Featured Horse of the Month: Felix

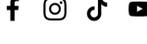


16.2hh Thoroughbred gelding

Felix is a 20-year-old former racehorse whose exact history is unknown. This lovable mystery man is kind and polite to handle, but still has plenty of get-up-and-go. He has lovely manners both in the barn and in a mixed herd. Felix can be ridden lightly at the walk occasionally, but he has limitations preventing harder work. He enjoys people, grooming, and in-hand activities. He is currently in off-site training with Equine Welfare Society in Keswick, VA, where adoption appointments will be held. Felix is waiting to meet you!

[More About Felix](#)

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