

# LCAR-EQUINE RESCUE



LINN COUNTY ANIMAL RESCUE 501c3

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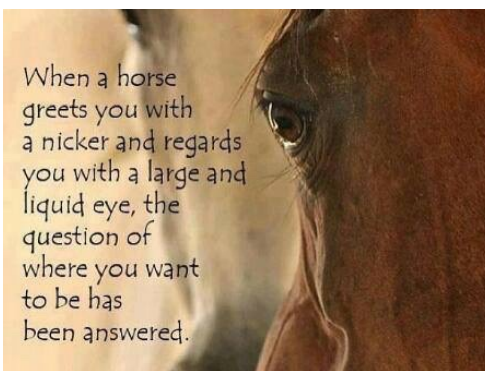
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LCAR has the ability and determination to continue our goal of Animal Welfare. It is said the first five years are the hardest and 70% don't make it. We are happy to say we are now in our 8th year as a non profit, having gone thru the trials and errors, rumors and misinformation, we look forward to the next eight years. Success is measured in before and after pictures; written records of recovery; number of animals put up for adoption; and ability to continue year after year despite the odds. "Courage is being scared to death, but saddling up anyway." John Wayne



2016 was a busy year of upgrades and changes. Thanks to Grants, we were able to purchase a dependable tractor. To some that may seem like a luxury, but it is a necessary tool for any animal facility. Our aim is to make a difference in the attitude of people toward animals. We strive to accomplish this change of attitude thru education, rehabilitation, and responsible care, this is a big order and it takes time, dedication, patience, as well as an organization like LCAR that sets the example. LCAR strives to be the example of humility and compassion for all life. Education is the most powerful weapon which can be used to change attitudes in the world. "To educate our people, and especially our children, to humane attitudes and actions toward living things is to preserve and strengthen our national heritage and the moral values we champion in the world". ~ J F K

Starvation and neglect have plagued humanity since the beginning of time. There is so much need, we have to pick our battles. With LCAR we work to rehabilitate abused, abandon, and neglected equine. As you set up your charity giving program for your 2016 taxes, please consider Linn County Animal Rescue worthy of your consideration.



When a horse greets you with a nicker and regards you with a large and liquid eye, the question of where you want to be has been answered.

All animals seek love, desires love, and needs love, including you and I.

## Equine Justice: Oregon Senate Passes Bill Making Horse Abandonment a Crime

*Under Oregon law, it is a crime to abandon some animals, but horses were defined as "livestock," which are excluded. Adding equines to the existing statute will close that loophole and hold horse owners accountable for neglect and abandonment.*



**Working with Animals is both rewarding and heart breaking.**

**When they leave us part of our hearts go with them. A companion animal is a life time commitment, part of family not just an animal.**

He knows when you're happy  
 He knows when you're comfortable  
 He knows when you're confident  
 And he *always* knows when you have carrots.

The aim is to be a unique horse rescue: 100% volunteer managed and a lifetime commitment to our horses; also a special re-feeding program; and in the way we continue to SPEAK FOR THOSE WHO CAN'T.

NEWS: Oct. 22-16 we were privileged to be part of the Living Well Expo in Albany Heritage Mall. It was great.

Nov. 26 and Dec 10 we will be at Coastal Farm and Ranch in Albany 10am to 3-m. Stop by and say HI.

MILESTONES ARE MADE IN BUILDINGS AND FENCES, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, THEY SHOW IN THE EYES OF THE RESCUED HORSES.



There is a lot of labor hours put in by the volunteers. We are fortunate to have such dedicated individuals.

Psychologists have shown for the first time that **horses are able to distinguish between positive and negative human facial.** Look angry and a horse is likely to sideways glance: using its left or sinister side. Its heart rate will increase, too. And both are indications that a horse can recognize a human emotion. "What's really interesting about this research is that it shows horses have the ability to read emotions across the species barrier. We have known for a long time that horses are a socially sophisticated species but this

is the first time we have seen that they can distinguish between positive and negative human facial expressions," said Amy Smith, a doctoral student.

Information from the Horse Coalition in Washington DC indicates "Funding is the greatest challenge to continued operation of nonprofit equine organizations, with **minimal maintenance costs for the care of a relinquished horse averaging \$3,648 plus per year.** Financial hardship, physical inability, or lack of time to care for the horses by owners were the most common reasons for relinquishment, followed by seizure through law enforcement agencies for neglect or abuse. Relinquished horses consisted of mostly light horse breeds (79.3%), with Thoroughbreds and Quarter Horses as the most represented breeds. The age of relinquished horses ranged from 3 days to 42 yr old. Over one-half of the

horses are considered unhealthy due to illness, injury, lameness, or poor body condition. For every 4 horses relinquished to a nonprofit organization, only 3 were adoptable, and many organizations have to refused to accept additional horses for lack of resources. The estimated maximum capacity for the 326 eligible registered nonprofit equine rescue facilities, is 13,400 which is well below the widely published estimate of 100,000 horses that become unwanted in the United States every year. Nonprofit equine rescue and sanctuary facilities have historically played an important role in safeguarding the welfare of horses in society, but funding and capacity are limiting factors to their potential expansion in continuing to care for the current population of unwanted and neglected horses".

**"And God took a handful of southerly wind, blew His breath over it and created the horse"**