

To Whom much is Given, much is Required

Linn County Animal Rescue (LCAR) is a rescue and sanctuary for neglected /abused horses and hospice dogs. Their goal for the horses is to rehabilitate and care for them with medical and personal attention to both body and mind. They oversee adoptions by approved individuals as well as provide a permanent sanctuary for those not suitable for adoption. Some of the animals participate in a mutually therapeutic program with people in addiction recovery, developmental disabilities, and mental health challenges including Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. The hospice dogs are those that will get to spend the rest of their life at the beautiful LCAR facility with care given to their health and wellbeing.

Lofty goals like these take funding. When you work to achieve them you truly find out what 'hard' means. It takes a community to do this work and help these animals. LCAR relies on many businesses and non-profit organizations to make this happen. At LCAR they survive on donations and grants and have always had a challenge of getting enough food to feed the dogs in the hospice program. They have been blessed to brainstorm solutions to challenges they face with Katie Bateman of SafeHaven, Kitty Angel Team Adoption (KATA) and their LCAR volunteers. With Katie's help, SafeHaven has been able to assist them by donating some of their dog food to feed the hospice dogs several times now. A second example of local non-profits working together: LCAR buys senior horse feed (one ton at a time) on pallets for almost \$800. Having lost all but one of their 'Barn Cats' who protected the feed from mice; they were losing hundreds

of dollars to mice damage. Because of non-targeted animals potentially being poisoned they will not use poison hence the Barn Cats. KATA (Kitty Angel Team Adoption) graciously worked with them to re-house two neutered barn cats to help protect the horse feed.

Rich Little from LCAR told us "Not only are we blessed in being supported we in turn get to bless others. We accept donations of hay and this year have receive more than what will be consumed in a year by our horses. Rather than have it go to waste we can act as a source of horse feed for qualified individuals who need help feeding their horse but cannot afford it due to the many challenges our community members are going through".

LCAR wants everyone to know when you support any local non-profits do not be surprised when your support reaches many other non-profit organizations through indirect but surprising ways. Little said, "This is still one of the amazing ways that Points for Profit has worked for LCAR." Little added "We thank the Points for Profit businesses for their support! By leveraging those advertising dollars, you are helping local non-profits in our community." He said also "Thank you to those who save receipts from the sponsor businesses (in Points for Profit). As consumers, your dollars matter, and they can support local or go outside of our community. We chose to support local and our hope is you will to!"

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