

## FALL 2013 INTERNSHIPS AVAILABLE AT HAPPY TRAILS

Happy Trails Farm Animal Sanctuary is accepting applicants from universities, colleges and continuing education organizations for students wishing to participate in the sanctuary internship program for Fall 2013.

Happy Trails works in cooperation with a wide variety of schools to incorporate students who want to experience an internship with a non-profit organization into this special program. Though we list our most common internships that fill the highest needs of the organization, we are always open to new areas of internship and will be happy to review suggestions.

**CONTACT:** For additional information or to suggest an internship position not listed here, please contact Annette Fisher, Executive Director, at annette@happytrailsfarm.org or call 330-296-5914 (office).

### WEBSITE: Learn more about Happy Trails at www.happytrailsfarm.org.

#### MARKETING/SPECIAL PROMOTIONS

This position will assist with several very specific marketing campaigns which are just beginning this month. We will be seeking sponsors for a new covered outdoor arena, with a goal to reach of approximately \$77,000. To date we have already raised \$14,500. A promotional package is prepared and several marketing professionals are already volunteers on this committee. The second campaign is seeking sponsors for horse stalls, so both campaigns are equine based.

#### **ANIMAL WELFARE**

Ashley Ehmann, Happy Trails Animal Care Coordinator will accept an intern assistant to train with her in animal care which involves daily care, maintenance, health protocol, intake, and adoptions. Ashley worked as an intern with Happy Trails through OSU (Ohio State University) in Columbus in 2012. After her graduation, she joined the Happy Trails staff as a full-time supervisor and also lives on the property. She would live to help other students obtain the experience she did during her internship with Happy Trails.

#### **CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

Students studying criminal justice will have the opportunity to review, improve and update legal forms and documents for Happy Trails. This will include addressing liability issues, waivers, adoption and intake contracts, and the review of various situations of liability involving animals.



#### **GENERAL FACILITY OPERATIONS**

This experience is great for a task-master and someone who wants to learn to come up with solutions to challenges. Specific tasks will be assigned, complete with budget constraints, contact lists, and a basic outline of how best to accomplish the task. All tasks involved facility improvements and sanctuary maintenance. Projects range from smaller daily projects to more monumental tasks that may need weeks to be accomplished.

#### **VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR**

The position of Volunteer Coordinator will teach organizational skills, how to deal with people, promote excellent communication, and assist with meeting goals to accomplish specific tasks. This intern would be the key individual in charge of the re-structuring the current volunteer program — making it more streamlined, creating new policies and procedures, upgrading the application process, and working toward implementing a program that is solid and sustainable.

# **Our Mission**

Happy Trails Farm Animal Sanctuary Inc. is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that rescues, rehabilitates, and provides an adoption program for abused, abandoned, and neglected farm animals such as horses, ponies, potbelly pigs, farm pigs, chickens, ducks, turkeys, sheep, goats, and cows.

Happy Trails serves the entire state of Ohio and any other state requesting our help, and works in cooperation with county humane societies, animal protective leagues, and local and state law enforcement officers. Animals in our program must have been removed from a situation of abuse, neglect or abandonment by law officials, and cruelty charges must be filed against the person(s) responsible for the crime.