

Remember to include your volunteer fee along with your application.

Fee may be placed on a charge card by calling the Happy Trails office at 330-296-5914.

Fees are non-refundable.



Fee Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Background OK: \_\_\_\_\_

Orientation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Orientation Complete: \_\_\_\_\_

## 2017 Volunteer/Intern Application

Volunteers must be at least 18 years old to volunteer at Happy Trails. Children between the ages of 12 and 17 may be permitted to volunteer with special interest groups or organizations on specific projects.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Application \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Date Of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### HAPPY TRAILS FARM ANIMAL SANCTUARY MISSION STATEMENT

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.

### VOLUNTEER FEE

A one-time volunteer application fee of \$30 (\$20 for senior citizens, veterans and students with proper student I.D.) is required to become a volunteer with Happy Trails. This nominal fee covers our administrative expenses, training and policy manuals and updates, an orientation and training, and our time to process applications. Volunteer fees are what will enable us to continue to offer a volunteer program for individuals wanting the unique experience of working at Happy Trails Farm Animal Sanctuary and for those who want to make a difference in the world of farm animal rescue. This fee can be paid by including a check made payable to Happy Trails along with your application, or via credit card online. **Fees are non-refundable**, even if the applicant chooses not to continue in the volunteer program. Please check one of the following:

\_\_\_\_ I am enclosing my volunteer application fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ in the form of a check.

\_\_\_\_ I have paid the application fee online using a credit card.

(Applications cannot be processed until an application fee is received)

### TELL US ABOUT YOU

What do you hope to gain from your experience with Happy Trails? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Describe present and previous volunteer jobs \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Special skills, training, interest, or hobbies that you would like to share with us \_\_\_\_\_

### AVAILABILITY

Are you available regularly each week to volunteer? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you volunteering to fulfill school community service requirements or school-based internship? \_\_\_\_\_

### AREAS OF INTEREST

Note that many individuals volunteer in several areas. Please prioritize your areas of interest and place a number next to each area indicating your priorities. For example, place a number 1 next to your most important area of interest, and place a number 2 next to your second choice, etc

Please state your availability (minimum 4 hours per week): \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ Manual Labor (at sanctuary itself)

\_\_\_\_\_ Tour Guide/Gift Shop

\_\_\_\_\_ Fundraising/Special Events/Soliciting Donations

\_\_\_\_\_ Transportation - Indicate distance willing to travel: \_\_\_\_\_ miles (transport application required)

\_\_\_\_\_ Facility Maintenance (list special/professional skills - i.e. plumber, carpenter, electrician, landscaper, etc.)

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\_\_\_\_\_ Donation/Supply (pick-up, loading, unloading of hay/straw and other donated items)

\_\_\_\_\_ Office Administration and/or Social Media Support

\_\_\_\_\_ Errands

\_\_\_\_\_ Farm Animal Visitation Program - schools & nursing homes

\_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Animal Rescue Crew

\_\_\_\_\_ Community Events (represent the organization at offsite, public events with literature & logo items)

### FARM ANIMAL EXPERIENCE

Describe any experience you have had working with farm animals and specify which types of animals \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you have farm animals at home? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, are they pets or are they used for food production/profit? \_\_\_\_\_

Are your pets, indoor or farm pets, spayed, neutered, gelded, castrated? \_\_\_\_\_

**EMPLOYMENT**

Are you presently employed? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, what is your position/occupation? \_\_\_\_\_

Your work hours? \_\_\_\_\_

Employer/Address \_\_\_\_\_

May we contact you at work? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing and able to post Happy Trails event or other information at work? \_\_\_\_\_

Previous work experience \_\_\_\_\_

**MISC.**

Please indicate previous encounters with Happy Trails Farm Animal Sanctuary:

\_\_\_\_ Previous volunteer position

\_\_\_\_ Adopted an animal

\_\_\_\_ Purchased items from our gift shop

\_\_\_\_ Participated in a tour

\_\_\_\_ Attended an event (when/which event) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Made a financial contribution

How did you hear about Happy Trails Volunteer Program?

\_\_\_\_ Another Happy Trails volunteer

\_\_\_\_ Contacted Happy Trails yourself

\_\_\_\_ Happy Trails employee

\_\_\_\_ Employer

\_\_\_\_ Happy Trails donor

\_\_\_\_ Another humane organization

\_\_\_\_ Happy Trails website

\_\_\_\_ School

Happy Trails is an independent non-profit organization that relies on donations to shelter over 500 farm animals per year. Please check the following that may apply:

\_\_\_\_ Yes, I would like to receive information on planned giving/estate planning to include Happy Trails.

\_\_\_\_ Yes, my employer offers a donation-matching program.

\_\_\_\_ Yes, I would like to make a tax-deductible donation to Happy Trails.

(Please endorse check payable to Happy Trails or donate via credit card online)

I understand that Happy Trails is an animal-friendly, vegan facility, and that we respect the animals that have been rescued and the mission of the organization by not bringing animal-based food products to the sanctuary. We ask that volunteers honor this by not bringing lunches, snacks or foods containing animal products or animal derivatives on site.

I give my permission to Happy Trails to verify the above information.

I understand that this application does not guarantee acceptance to Happy Trails Volunteer Program.

Volunteer Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Happy Trails Farm Animal Sanctuary Volunteer Agreement

I agree to become a non-compensated volunteer for Happy Trails Farm Animal Sanctuary, a registered 501c3 non-profit organization in Ohio. I shall comply with the following terms and conditions in order to best serve this organization and the rescued farm animals.

I will abide by the mission, rules, regulations, policies, procedures and programs of Happy Trails Farm Animal Sanctuary while I am a volunteer. If for any reason I am unclear as to what these are, I will check with my immediate supervisor. I understand that my failure to abide by the rules, regulations, policies, procedures and programs will result in my termination as a volunteer. If, during the course of volunteering, I take any Happy Trails Farm Animal Sanctuary property off the premises, I agree to promptly return such property at Happy Trails request.

I recognize that in handling or working around animals and performing other volunteer tasks there exists a risk of injury, exposure to zoonotic diseases (i.e. ringworm, giardia, rabies, lice, etc.) and physical harm caused by the animals. On behalf of myself, my heirs, personal representatives and executors, I hereby release, discharge, indemnify and hold harmless Happy Trails Farm Animal Sanctuary, it's agents, servants, officers, trustees, other volunteers, and employees from any and all claims, liability, causes of action, demands, of any nature or cause, including costs and attorney fees incurred by Happy Trails in connection with the same, based on damages or injuries which may be incurred or sustained by me in any way connected with my services for Happy Trails whether on or off Happy Trails properties, including but not limited to animal bites, being kicked, stepped on, knocked over, accidents or injuries.

All services will be performed at my own risk.

I acknowledge and accept these conditions.

To the best of my knowledge, I have accurately and truthfully filled out this volunteer application and understand and agree that Happy Trails Farm Animal Sanctuary may refuse my volunteer application at its discretion.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this application to:**

Happy Trails Farm Animal Sanctuary, Inc., 5623 New Milford Rd., Ravenna, Ohio 44266  
Phone: 330-296-5914

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**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

Application Received On \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant Contacted On \_\_\_\_\_

Happy Trails Representative \_\_\_\_\_

Orientation Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

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