

# Happy Trails Farm Animal Sanctuary Covered Arena Campaign

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In a world full of people who couldn't care less,

choose to be someone who couldn't care more...



You, and Happy Trails, together have rescued over 4,000 farm animals since 2000.

Together, we can also build a safe arena for them to help with recovery, rehabilitation, training, adoption, and education.

### Who Are Some Of The Horses Who Could **Have Benefitted From Being Turned Out In A Covered Arena During Their Recovery?**





Sadie had to have surgery to



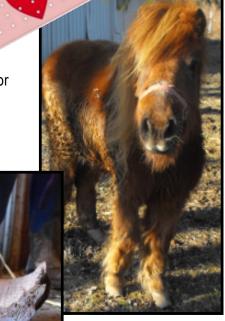
remove a badly damaged eye. The best scenario for her recovery would have been to turn her out in a safe environment like an enclosed arena to minimize the risk of her damaging her good eye on

something like tree branches or fence posts.





Buckeye needed leg surgery to help his ankle fuse. Material was taken from his hip and inserted into his ankle joint. He was supposed to keep the cast on his leg clean and dry, and since there was no dry turn out at Happy Trails, he spent four expensive months in recovery at OSU and then additional time in a dry stall at Happy Trails. Though he eventually made a complete recovery, his rehabilitation may have been guicker had he had the opportunity to walk around in a clean, dry environment during his recovery at Happy Trails.





Bill had a cast on his leg for many months and required safe, dry footing for turn out. Happy Trails could provide neither, and Bill spent a great deal of his recovery time standing in his stall.

Many horses and ponies like Theodore (above left) come to Happy Trails with founder or laminitis. The soft footing and controlled environment of a covered arena would have provided the ideal environment for turn out while they are being treated and are in the healing process.

# Happy Trails Covered Arena Campaign

**GOAL:** To construct a building with a roof and sides to cover the current outdoor arena.

**PURPOSE:** To afford Happy Trails the ability to turn out recovering/injured horses or other large animals throughout *all* seasons in order to provide safe and *dry* footing for those with leg injuries; to provide turn out with minimal risk of injury for those with eye trauma; and to provide shade from the hot sun in the summer and protection from cold rains and snow during winter weather.

**BENEFITS:** This facility improvement will allow Happy Trails to bring in additional funds by providing an appropriate building for educational seminars. A covered roof will protect the integrity of the sand in the arena which will create a safe and covered environment for lameness evaluations by the veterinarian. This new building will not only provide a safe training and health/ behavior assessment area for both horse and rider but also a year round place for potential adopters to spend time with the horses they may want to adopt.

#### Total Project Budget ...... \$77,000

Many thanks to the following charitable foundations for their grant support of this project:

- Kenneth A. Scott Charitable Fund \$12,000
- Ravenna United Fund ...... \$2,000

#### Remaining Campaign Goal .... \$63,000

# DETAILS: Arena size will be approximately 65' wide by 115' long.

- Pole-barn style building structure \$58,000
- Preparing ground, removing dirt, bringing in new sand \$4,000
- Removing fencing, relocating the dump truck ramp and manure dumping area to a different location \$3,000

• Gutters, lighting and electrical needs , drainage pipes on West side of arena, signage — \$12,000



(Above) The current outdoor arena is always filled with puddles from the rain and stones that are coming up out of the sand. (Below) This is an example of a simple arena structure that is very similar to that which Happy Trails plans to construct. Nothing fancy. Just plain and it will serve its purpose..



To help make this happen for the rescued animals and to donate toward the Outdoor Arena Project, please use coupon on inside back cover. Donors will be invited to a special viewing of the arena upon completion. Contact Happy Trails at 330-296-5914 for information on *corporate sponsorship* packages.

#### But why *should* you support Happy Trails And The Outdoor Arena Project?

The reasons are endless.

Let's start with a few facts:

• Happy Trails is a unique organization that, while located in Ohio, will assist any state that requests our help with regards to equine and farm animal rescue.

• The horses who come to Happy Trails have experienced severe abuse, neglect or abandonment. They deserve the best possible care and a second chance at life.

• Many of the rescued horses recover and go on to bring much joy to the families who adopt them.

• It's important that we recognize animal abuse with horses and other farm animals and bring awareness to this crime.

• You are making a huge difference in the development and expansion of an organization who is a voice for



• A community effort is needed to support the animal rescue and recovery services and community outreach programs of Happy Trails.

• Happy Trails is a 501c3 nonprofit organization, and your donation is tax deductible as allowed by law.

• Happy Trails' mission is a humble and worthy cause. We are sincere in our desire to serve the abused, neglected and abandoned horses and farm animals, the people who report their abuse,

> and the criminal justice system who helps us bring the guilty parties to trial.

• We are a transparent organization. • Happy

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those who cannot speak for themselves.

• You will play a major role in long-term efforts to improve the equine rehabilitation program, *and*...

• ...you will help us reach thousands of people through our animal care education seminars which will be held in the arena. an opportunity for communities to work together, hand-in-hand, to say no to animal abuse.

• We can't do it without you. Please consider joining Happy Trails in our efforts to rescue, rehabilitate, adopt out and educate.



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# **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.