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"Farm Friends" Volunteers

Pegasus Therapeutic Riding is deeply committed to providing a wide range of opportunites for people with special needs to learn and grow. Designed exclusively for Pegasus participants, our **Farm Friends** volunteering program at Pegasus Farm is intended to foster social interaction and help individuals ages 16 and older develop job skills.

Unlike Horses & Me and Horse Masters, Farm Friends is not an unmounted equine-assisted program for our participants. It is a volunteering program, and as such, duties performed as a Farm Friend may or may not include direct interaction with our horses. Farm Friends also must be able to work independently with minimal supervision.

Farm Friend tasks are largely physical in nature and may include: assisting with stall maintenance, cleaning feed buckets, sweeping barn aisles, cleaning and organizing program areas in the Michele Arnhold Education Center and the Ann Pinkerton Riding Arena, yardwork and other light farm-related upkeep, and cleaning and organizing tack.

One (1) Farm Friend will be selected per program session (winter, spring, summer, fall). Selection will be made on a first-come, first-served basis, drawn from the pool of qualified applicants (see below for required criteria).

All applications will be reviewed by a committee composed of the Director of Volunteer Services, the Barn Volunteer Coordinator and a member of the Pegasus instructional team.

Required criteria include:

- Submission of a completed application prior to the deadline stated on the form
- Applicant must be at least 16 years of age
- Applicant must be a Pegasus participant for at least one (1) year
- · Applicant has not been a Farm Friend volunteer within the past year
- Applicant's volunteer hours must coincide with normal Pegasus operating hours
- The goals and objectives for the Farm Friend cannot conflict with the mission of Pegasus.

For further information or to request an application, contact Director of Volunteer Services Lynn Peters at (845) 669-8235 x109 or lpeters@peqasustr.org.