

Brennan Equine Welfare Fund

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THE BENEFIT OF EQUINES IN NEED

NEWSLETTER



Happy 2012 and Double Year-end Giving Opportunity

Year End 2011

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**Brennan Equine
Welfare Fund
Offering \$5,000
Matching Gift**

You can make a difference! Your tax-deductible donation equals double help for equines in need! Linda Pavey, Founder & Donor/Account

Dear Mike,

On behalf of myself and all the horses that Brennan Equine Welfare Fund has assisted, I want to wish you a very Happy New Year 2012!

As 2011 draws to a close, I want to thank everyone for their loyal support. If you have not had the chance to make a donation this season, it is not too late to give a gift that will not only garner a tax-deduction (BEWF is a 501(c)(3)...check with your tax preparer for details), but also will be doubled, as our \$5k matching gift continues through December 31, 2011. Your donation will double and have twice the impact when grants are distributed in June. No amount is too small as every amount adds up.

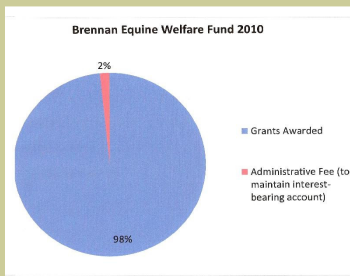
Please read below a letter of appreciation and thanks from a 2011 BEWF grant recipient about how donations are used to help such a deserving horse as "Shane" in his retirement from his years as a therapeutic riding horse.

All the best to you in 2012.

Sincerely,
Linda Pavey
Founder & Donor/Account Advisor
Brennan Equine Welfare Fund



Advisor of Brennan Equine Welfare Fund will be matching all personal donations, dollar-to-dollar up to \$5,000- through December 31, 2011. Please click [HERE](#) for more information and how to donate.



Did you know that 98% of your donations go towards grant funding for the horses? We do this by not having any paid employees, no overhead, and all advertising and postage is donated. Only a small administrative fee is used to maintain an interest-bearing account for all donations. You can be assured that your donation will go towards the cause! Confident giving thanks to Brennan Equine Welfare Fund!

Quote

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## **"Shane"- Therapeutic Riding Horse Gets Much Deserved Retirement (Open letter to all supporters)**

Dear Ms. Pavey and All the Supporters of the Brennan Equine Welfare Fund;

I wanted to take a moment to share with you a little bit about my dear friend Shane. Shane is a beautiful 31 year old black Quarter Horse. He has been working at the Colorado Therapeutic Riding Center (CTRC) for 4 years as a therapeutic horse for riders with special needs. He also worked as a camp horse for our Integrated Special Needs Summer Camp. At CTRC our horses are, clearly, the heart of our therapeutic program. They do not only provide the therapeutic movement that is critical to our riders' clinical progress, they provide the unconditional acceptance and bond with our riders that often becomes the motivating catalyst for every area of our riders' lives. Shane is no different. Over his four years of service Shane continually helped young riders with a vast array of special needs reach beyond the constraints of their special needs. He was exceptional - dependable, accepting, patient, calm - in his role as a therapy horse and he was well loved. Everyone whose life has been touched by this wonderful horse - be it riders, volunteers or staff - has been moved by his beauty, hard work, unconditional acceptance and unlimited heart.

In the Fall of 2010 it was determined that Shane needed to be retired. His heart was still very willing, but his age was catching up to him. It was a sad day at CTRC when Shane gave his last therapy ride. However, that day opened a new, and well deserved, chapter for Shane. That day marked Shane's retirement and his official move into CTRC's Retired Horse Sanctuary Program (RHS). And simply put, Shane has been living the "life of Reilly" in RHS. He enjoys hours of leisure in lush turnout with his wonderful friends - the other retired horses - with

The best favor is to rescue the one most in need.

~North African Proverb



### About Us

**Brennan Equine Welfare Fund is a fund-raising, non-profit 501(c)(3) organization set up through The Greater Cincinnati Foundation. Grants from The Brennan Equine Welfare Fund are used to serve equine rescue shelters across the country which provide dignity to final years of aged, injured, abused, starved and slaughter-bound horses, as well as those used in medical experimentation. This fund supports registered, 501(c)(3) organizations that specialize in retirement and rehabilitation services and offer a peaceful and permanent sanctuary for these beautiful animals. Shelters which offer carefully scrutinized**

whom he is he is quite playful - tug of war with a feed pan is one of his favorite games. He receives the optimum of care including massages by the students of a local equine massage school and special treats and love from his Barn Buddy - that's me! I had the honor of being Shane's Barn Buddy volunteer during his days of providing these noble therapy services and I am fortunate to continue being his Barn Buddy in his well deserved retirement.

Shane has a very gentle and loving spirit, he is quiet in nature. We cherish our time together; he even enjoys his grooming time as much as I do. His favorite part is having his eyes and forehead gently cleaned and as I finish grooming I give him a special hug and as my reward he lowers his head over my shoulder to give me a special hug. He is very happy being part of the CTRC herd and he knows he is cherished.



"Shane" and volunteer at Colorado Therapeutic Riding Center

All of us at CTRC give our deepest THANKS to you and the Brennan Equine Welfare Fund for your support and for helping to ensure that Shane and his well deserving band of silly, wonderful retired therapy horses are able to live out their lives in a safe, comfortable and familiar environment, surrounded by individuals who are dedicated to their care and well being.

Our Warmest Thanks,

Sandy, Shane and All of the Horses, Volunteers,  
Riders and Staff  
Colorado Therapeutic Riding Center

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To help a horse like "Shane", please

adoption or re-
placement services are
also supported.

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How to Donate

To donate with a personal check:

- Please make out the check to "The Greater Cincinnati Foundation"
- Be sure to write "Brennan Equine Welfare Fund" on the memo line (this will assure it is directed to BEWF and not one of the general funds at The Greater Cincinnati Foundation)
- Mail to: The Greater Cincinnati Foundation, 200 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

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