

## HELPING OHIO EQUINES AT FARM SANCTUARY

### Brennan Equine Welfare Fund Offering \$10k Matching Gift

Ohio is famous for farming, that is well-known. But, what happens to farm animals and, specifically, horses, when they are no longer of use to their owners? Perhaps they have worked in the fields, plowing season after season until their bodies can no longer bear the work? Some horses find their situations dire when they may be just put out to pasture, lacking basic care. Some are sent to auction where their futures are uncertain. Is there anyone to help?

Brennan Equine Welfare Fund (BEWF), a local grant-making organization founded by Indian Hill native, Linda Pavey, has partnered with Happy Trails Farm Animal Sanctuary (HTFAS) in New Ravenna, Ohio to assist in such cases. A multiple-grantee of BEWF, Happy Trails offers assistance and programs to assist horses in need from such situations as needed. In addition to helping farm animals in general, such initiatives to help horses include the Amish Horse Retirement Initiative whereby working horses from the Amish community can be considered for acceptance to the HTFAS facility. These horses are used exclusively for the farming needs of the Amish and this gives a humane option for retirement for these deserving equines. This is preferable to the common practice of sending horses to auction where they can be purchased for a “meat price” and transported across the border for consumption purposes. Thankfully, HTFAS also has a program of purchase of slaughter-bound horses at these auctions, whether they be former plow horses or family horses that can no longer be supported. Bringing them back to the sanctuary, the most needed will get a new lease on life, getting the medical attention that they so often need and rehabilitation to their best condition and get adopted into loving forever homes. A 2021 grant from BEWF has helped secure funding at HTFAS so that they can continue these, and other, initiatives and programs to help equines in need. Laura Lindauer, Development

Director at HTFAS states, “On behalf of the horses, we thank you for your continuing support of our programs. We are truly grateful for BEWF’s assistance with our equine expenses.”



A horse at HTFAS.  
Credit: Photos By Brynda

Brennan Equine Welfare Fund is a fund-raising, non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that was established in 2000 at the Greater Cincinnati Foundation by Linda Pavey in honor and memory of her horse, "Brennan", an off-the-track Thoroughbred. Grants from Brennan Equine Welfare Fund are used to serve equine rescue shelters across the country that provide dignity to final years of aged, injured, abused, starved and slaughter-bound horses, as well as those used in medical experimentation. Brennan Equine Welfare Fund could not continue to partner with HTAFS and support without the generosity of its donors. The donors are the backbone of what BEWF does. All donations, 100% of each, go towards annual grants to support the mission of BEWF.

If you would like to honor a special person or equine that has touched your life, or are interested in year-end giving ideas, a charitable donation to Brennan Equine Welfare Fund would be honored. And because of a Matching Gift opportunity, **every gift received through December 31 will be matched – dollar for dollar—up to \$10,000!** Your donation will have double the power to offer a second chance to equines in need! Checks may be made out to The Greater Cincinnati Foundation (make sure to write “Brennan Equine Welfare Fund” on the memo line) and mailed to The Greater Cincinnati Foundation, 720 E. Pete Rose Way Suite 120, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. For more information or to donate online, please visit <http://www.brennanequinewelfarefund.com>.

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## EVENT AT PETERLOON

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6:00pm -9:00pm

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Three-hour open wine, beer and signature cocktail bar

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