

HARMONY NEW BEGINNINGS

ANIMAL RESCUE

SAVING LIVES, ONE ANIMAL AT A TIME



Harmony New Beginnings Animal Rescue has always been more than a rescue. It is a promise—to the animals who have nowhere left to turn, and to the people who believe they deserve another chance.



A Promise That Started at Home

Many of you have walked beside us for years, and you know this story well. In 2006, Joy and David Laudahl opened not just their farm, but their home and their hearts. Dogs facing euthanasia slept under their roof. Horses bound for slaughter found safety in their pastures. What began as a deeply personal commitment quickly grew into something far greater than any one family.

By 2011, Harmony New Beginnings Animal Rescue became official. But the heart behind it had already been beating for years.

When Saying Yes Meant Growing

For a long time, everything we did happened on that original property. Then in 2018, we were faced with a moment that would shape our future. The neighboring property, where we had been renting barn and pasture space to house horses and livestock, went up for sale.

Although we did not have the means to purchase the property, we knew we could not let it go. David and his father stepped forward to make sure that door did not close on the animals who would need it. Because of that decision, because of that belief in this mission, we were able to grow instead of turning animals away.



Since becoming a nonprofit, together with your support, we have helped thousands of animals who had nowhere else to go.

A Place Built for Second Chances

Today, Harmony sits on 14 acres in Polk County, carefully shaped to meet the needs of animals who require more time, more space, and more understanding.

On the lower property, Joy and David continue to live among the animals they care for. Their home regularly welcomes ten or more behavioral dogs at a time—dogs who need patience, structure, and a safe place to begin again. Surrounding them are multiple pastures and a quarantine barn, ready to receive horses and livestock in urgent need.



On the upper property, additional pastures and a six-stall barn allow us to extend that care even further. A small home on the property has quietly served many roles over the years, adapting to whatever the animals needed most.

Right now, that space is being renewed. After years of wear from lifesaving work, we are restoring it with purpose. We are building a dedicated medical exam room, one that will not only serve the animals in our care but also open doors to the community. Our hope is to provide accessible exams, vaccines, and one day even spay and neuter services. This is a dream rooted in prevention, in compassion, and in doing more before animals reach crisis.

Heart, Grit, and a Volunteer Spirit

Everything we do is powered by people who simply refuse to look away. Harmony has always been 100 percent volunteer run.

David works full time and still shows up day after day to repair, build, lift, and care. Joy carries the constant rhythm of the rescue—calls, coordination, medical care, and the endless unseen details that keep everything moving. Jeanette helps hold it all together, from finances to volunteers to making sure food reaches the animals who need it most. Ally brings strength and skill to our work with horses and livestock. Kara ensures animals and supplies safely reach their destinations and



supports our pet food bank. Tressa helps manage and maintain our website and social media.

No one here is doing just one job. Everyone is doing whatever it takes.

Standing in the Hardest Places

Harmony is often called when others cannot step in. We work alongside animal control and law enforcement across Oregon, trained for over a decade in situations that require experience, calm, and care under pressure.

We are licensed, trained, and committed to doing this work the right way, but more than that, we are willing to take the animals others cannot. The fearful ones. The injured ones. The ones with histories that make placement uncertain.

Here, they are given time. They are given understanding. They are given the chance to heal.

We stand behind every adoption with a 30-day trial because it matters that it is right for both the animal and the family. And no matter what happens, every Harmony animal has a lifetime safety net. They will always have a place to return to.



What Your Gift Makes Possible

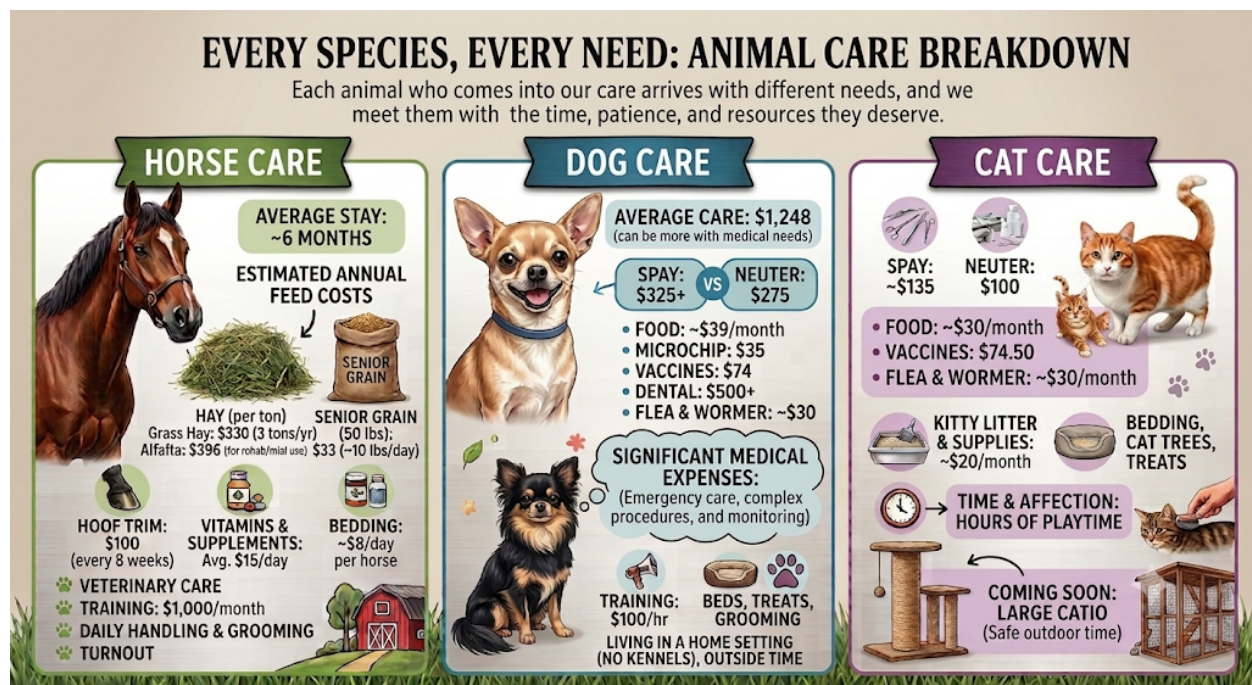
Because of you, this work is not only possible, it is saving lives every single day.

So far this year, we have helped more than 310 animals in just the first six months. That includes 89 cats, 84 dogs, 130 farm animals, and 7 horses. We have also helped local owners in the community with pet food, spay and neuter assistance, and emergency veterinary care, because keeping animals safe in their homes is just as important as bringing them into ours.

That level of care comes with a significant cost. This year, we have spent \$51,934.58 on veterinary bills, which averages about \$8,655.76 per month. We have also spent \$17,685.60 on animal care, including food, pet beds, cleaning supplies, grooming, treats, farrier care, and training. Animal care also includes the food we provide to our local pet food bank and to owners in need. That averages about \$2,947.60 per month. Our veterinary care makes up about 60 percent of our budget, and animal care makes up another 20 percent.

Every Species, Every Need

Each animal who comes into our care arrives with different needs, and we meet them with the time, patience, and resources they deserve.



A **horse** will average about six months in our care before being ready for adoption. During that time, they receive veterinary care, farrier care, nutritional rehabilitation, training, daily handling, grooming, and turnout. We buy our grass hay by the ton because we have storage in the barn. This year, grass hay costs \$330 per ton, and each horse will eat about three tons per year. We also feed alfalfa hay at \$396 per ton. Healthy horses eat minimal alfalfa, but starving horses may need it during rehabilitation, so usage changes depending on the horses in care at any given time. Each horse needs a \$100 hoof trim every eight weeks. A 50 pound bag of senior grain costs \$33, and we feed about 10 pounds per day, though that goes up if we have a thin horse. Each horse also gets vitamins and supplements based on their needs, averaging \$15 per day. Bedding for stalls costs about \$8 per day per horse. They also receive vaccines, fly protection, and regular worming. Training with our trainer costs \$1,000 per month to prepare them for adoption.

Dogs in our care also require a great deal of support. We spend about \$39 per month on dog food for each dog. For a small dog, a spay costs at least \$325, and a neuter costs \$275. Microchip placement costs \$35. Vaccines cost \$74. Basic dental care starts at \$500 and increases if extractions are needed. Flea and wormer costs about \$30. Then there are the added costs of beds, treats, grooming, and training. Our dog trainer charges \$100 per hour. Sometimes he donates his time when working in the rescue house or helping families, and other times we must pay him. The average care for each dog is \$1,248, though that can be less if they do not have medical needs and much more if they do. One example is Muffin, who had extensive medical needs. During his stay with us, he lost 11 teeth during his dental and also had a serious heart issue that required a cardiology evaluation. In total, Muffin's initial treatments and care to get him started on the path to health cost more than \$3,100. He is now in a hospice foster home, where we continue to pay for his heart medication and monitoring. The dogs who come into our rescue house live in a home setting, not kennels. We divide the house into sections so each dog has a safe area, and we also have kennels set up so they can enjoy outside time. We work hard to give them the most home-like setting possible.



Cats in our care need thoughtful, consistent support too. We spend about \$30 per month on food for each cat. Each spay costs about \$135 and each neuter \$100. Vaccines cost about \$74.50. Flea and worm treatment costs about \$30 per month. Then there is about \$20 per month in kitty litter, clean bedding, cat trees, and treats. Each animal that comes into our care needs hours of attention and care. Cats often warm up and then want lots of playtime and affection, so we try to give them as much room as possible to move and live comfortably. We will soon have a large catio to allow them safe outdoor time as well.

Help That Reaches Beyond Rescue



Our work does not stop with the animals in our house.

So far this year, 34 animals have been adopted from our rescue, and we also continue to care for several elderly horses and dogs in foster homes so we can cover their medical needs while they live safely in a home. In addition, we have helped 263 other animals through paying for medical care, 71 spays and neuters, and buying specialty food, including the farm animals we fed in Monroe for the owner who had a stroke and the hay we bought to help horses stay in their homes. That brings our total to 310 animals so far this year. We have also sent over 6,000 pounds of pet food to our local pet food bank for families in need, and we have paid more than \$51,934.39 in veterinary care so far this year. Eleven of the animals we have had in care this year came from Multnomah County Animal Services (MCAS).

This year, we have had 43 animals come into the rescue house, we also housed two horses for Sound Equine Options. We have adopted out 35 animals since January first. We have worked specifically with Multnomah County Animal Services since 2016, and so far, 13 of our animals have come from Multnomah County. Sometimes they send animals who are already fixed and vaccinated, and sometimes they do not.

Big Bob is one example of a dog we brought in from MCAS this year. He was at least 12 years old, underweight, and in poor condition. He needed trazodone even though he had a heart murmur, and he came to us in need of dental care and a neuter. His medical bills were \$646 with the discounts our vets gave us.

Several of the dogs sent to us this year had severe aggression issues that took time to work through before they could move into homes. Rocky, who is currently with us, is a good example of a dog that is not adoptable through Multnomah County and is listed as “rescue only”, but they trust us to work with him. He has never been taught not to bite, so he uses his teeth when he is happy, fearful, frustrated, or simply trying to say, “Come pet me.” We have also taken in farm animals from MCAS in the past. This year that has only included roosters so far, but in previous years we have taken in pigs, sheep, rabbits, ducks, and other farm birds. MCAS does not send funding with any of the animals they place with us.



What We Need Now

We are currently remodeling the rescue house, and we plan to have a grand reopening on August 3, 2026. At that time, we will have room for up to ten cats, up to six dogs in the rescue house, and small animals such as rabbits and hedgehogs. Our ongoing needs always include dog food, cat food, cat litter, blankets, dog beds, and cat trees. We also need shelving, benches, and other items that will be added to our Amazon and Chewy wish lists.

Amazon wish list: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/7YINN55G7NGA?ref=wl_share

Chewy wish list:

https://www.chewy.com/g/harmony-new-beginnings-animal-rescue_b84643819#wish-list&wishlistsortby=DEFAULT

The Human Cost

On a personal note, my husband and I have given much of our lives to helping animals. The physical wear and tear from caring for thousands of animals has been tremendous. There is heartbreak when we say goodbye to a beloved animal going to a new home, and heartbreak again when a peaceful passing is the kindest choice. There is damage to our home and property, and there is the loss of family time because the daily demands never stop. We begin every day with animal care and end every day by tucking the animals in before we go to bed.



David and I would not change that. We do not get paid for our time, and we do not want to. We simply want the ability to help as many Oregon animals as possible. Your donations are a blessing that give us the ability to keep helping our animal friends. We do our best to keep their spaces safe and clean and to give them the very best care we can while they are with us, and we thank you for making that possible.

We are also seeing the same trends as other rescues: fewer fosters, fewer volunteers, fewer donations, and a growing number of dumped and abandoned animals. That is why your gift matters so much. We have always been a true no kill shelter, and we will remain so.

Be Part of What Comes Next

Today, we are asking you to stand with us once again.

Your support is not just a donation. It is hay in a pasture for a horse who was once days from starvation. It is medical care for a dog no one else would take. It is the training, time, and patience it takes to turn fear into trust. It is the ability to say yes to the next animal who has run out of options.

If you have ever believed in what we do, if you have ever felt pride in the lives we have saved together, now is the moment to help us continue. We can't do this without you.

With your help, there is no limit to how many lives we can change.



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