

# Tara Farm Rescue



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**Come see what's happening at Tara Farm!**

## Rescue Update:

What a busy year! The economy has had a tremendous effect on the rescue. We had many animals come to us because of lost jobs, lost homes, etc. We are beyond capacity, and trying to make it work. Not only have we taken in new rescues, but we've also had many rescue horses returned due to financial situations. We are trying to find them new homes, and also building new shelters. We are begging for donations of feed, hay, plywood, shingles, metal roofing, gift certificates to businesses such as Home Depot, Lowe's, Thompson's feed (860-429-9377). If that isn't an option, get some friends together and come out and help us with construction and maintenance.



Thank you all so very much for your donations and help throughout this past year. Special thanks to Sarazin General Contractors for their work in framing our cat shelter roof. Leonard Gegio for all the donations of poles for the stalls. Michael and Dawn Mellen from Town Fair Tire for the trailer tires, Jodi Clark and Melissa Allen for your healing hands, Diana Searles for all of your dental work, and your great stories! Dr. Bud Allen and Dr. Robin Karlin for all that you do, as there is too much to mention. And how can I forget about Tony Gorman. Tony you've done a great job keeping us on our toes when it comes to the farm. Your generosity and caring can never be forgotten. Oh, and thanks for hosting the Farm Christmas party too!

A tremendous thank you to all of our donors, please know every bit is appreciated, and every bit absolutely makes a difference.



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## Our Latest Project!

One of Tara Farm Rescue's special projects is our FIV/Felv cats. We have been struggling with the completion of a building just for the cats for a year now. The framing has been finished, thanks to Sarazin Contractors. We need shingles, plywood, insulation, and the volunteers to help complete this building. We have received many wonderful cat condos, grooming tables, etc. from terrific supporters such as Dr. Bud Allen and Dr. Robin Karlin. We've also received cat beds and benches from our generous animal masseuse, Jodi Clark. Thanks to all who have donated thus far.

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## Some Rescue Stories...

This horse came to Tara Farm this past October. She was severely underweight, neglected and suffering from Lyme disease. The first time one of the volunteers took a comb through her mane, a bunch of it just seemed to fall away. This is a clear indication that not only was she malnourished but she hadn't been groomed in a long, long time. Her coat was dull and flakey, and as pathetic looking as the gaze in her eyes that seemed to say, "Momma, I don't feel so good." Today, she is recovering, and thankfully, responding to her medication, and all the love and attention that Tara Farm is known for. She has an endless supply of hay, and loves to gaze out from her stall, waiting for her favorite friend. And I think she knows... yeah, she knows it's the people like you who helped save her life. She is safe. She is home.



## You Can Help Make a Difference....

Please consider a donation by supplying gift certificates with our various professionals:

Dr. Budd Allen (413) 268-8387

Bolton Veterinary Clinic (860) 646-6134

Thompson's Feed Store (860)429-9377

This goat was brought to the farm neglected almost to the point of death. She was starving and practically frozen to the ground, with open sores on her chest, stomach and legs. Her first days at the farm were measured in minutes and hours. But she had the will to fight and we were going to do everything in our power to help her. She ultimately lost the lower portion of a hind leg due to infection. However, thanks to the generosity and caring of Eddie's Wheels for building a cart, Jodi Clark for her massage therapy and River Meadow Farm, this goat is on the road to recovery.

### ALL DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE EVERY HORSE WE SAVE MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Yes, I would like to make a donation! Enclosed is my check/money order amount of:

- \$10.00 Worm 1 horse/Treats
- \$30.00 2 Bags of grain for a horse
- \$65.00 Sponsor 1 horse for 1 month
- \$125.00 1 Horse Shoeing or 1 Dental Visit
- \$300.00 1 Week of grain for 20 horses
- \$1,000 150 bales of hay (approximately two weeks worth)
- \$6,000 Completely sponsor a rescue horse for a year
- Another resident \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (goat, pig, cat, steer)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Our 2009 Fundraiser: The October Hunter Pace



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Here are some photos of one of Tara Farm's more successful fundraisers, our third annual October Hunter Pace. Riders gathered late in October to ride a 7 mile course over a variety of terrains and jumps. When completed, they cooled their horses out and enjoyed a buffet lunch while prizes were awarded. Stay tuned for next years Hunter Pace.



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## Tara Says Goodbye to one of its' most treasured residents....

### Our Tally

We lost a great asset to the rescue this year, her name is Tally. Tally, a beautiful chestnut horse, came to us thin and out of control about 10 years ago. After working with her, and training her under saddle, we tried unsuccessfully to place her in a few homes. Tally just seemed to be happiest at the farm.

Tally did it all when it came to supporting the rescue. Tally gave many lessons, worked in our therapeutic riding program, gave pony rides, brought lots of smiles to many swimming in the river, taking kids in Memorial Day parades, and even got to go camping a few times!

Tally had been starved before she came to the rescue which resulted in permanent stomach damage. As a result she would have trouble at times. In spite of her tremendous spirit, it was this damage that would cause Tally's demise. . Please visit our website ([www.tarafarmrescue.org](http://www.tarafarmrescue.org)) to read a wonderful poem, written by a volunteer, that was inspired by Tally. It is located right on our homepage.



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**REMEMBER: Animal Neglect & Abuse is against the law! There is something you can do about it.**  
Call (860)713-2506 State Office of Animal Control

### Tara Farm would like to thank the following for their donations:

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