The Georgia Equine Rescue League, Ltd

What is the Georgia Equine Rescue League?

- A non-profit organization
- A fundraising organization that raises monies to help neglected and abused horses in the state of Georgia
- A network of equine enthusiasts that can help serve as sources of information to horse owners
- A network of equine enthusiasts that provide a foster care and an adoption system for horses in dire situations

Who is the Georgia Equine Rescue League?

- A five volunteers that serve on the board of directors that oversee the day to day operations of the organization
- A dozen other volunteers that serve on various committees and the advisory board
- Over 200 equine loving members
- You!

What isn't the Georgia Equine Rescue League?

- We are not a law enforcement organization and cannot enforce laws nor confiscate neglected and/or abused animals

What isn't the Georgia Equine Rescue League?

- The Georgia Department of Agriculture's Equine Division (GDA)
  - Responds to concerns about violation of the state's humane treatment of equines act.
  - Runs three impound facilities where confiscated animals are rehabilitated
  - Employs equine inspectors to investigate calls of equine abuse and neglect

What Can you Do?

- Attend GERL fundraisers
  - Come bring your horse, ride and meet great horse people from all over Georgia!
- Annual Fundraisers
  - Poker ride (Early Spring)
  - Gene Ensminger Memorial Ride (Late Spring)
  - Fall Fest

What can you do?

- Report any cases of equine abuse or neglect to the GDA
  - What are Georgia's laws?
    - Visit http://agr.georgia.gov and enter equine laws into the search bar

What can you do?

- Volunteer with the GDA impound barns
  - Call 404-656-3713 and ask for a volunteer packet

What can you do?

- Become a member, join the Georgia Equine Rescue League!
  - Have your membership fees go directly to helping the horses of Georgia
  - Receive a monthly newsletter about horse rescue efforts in Georgia
    - Through the newsletter you will read invitations to our fundraisers and many other equine related functions across the state
  - Stay informed through the GERL Facebook page

What can you do? - GERL

- Become an area coordinator
  - Be a public contact for GERL in your area
  - Assist GERL in inspecting potential foster and/or adoptive homes
  - Provide follow up visits to foster and/or adoptive homes
  - Assist GERL with public education in your area

What can you do? - GERL

- Become a foster home
  - Provide a safe environment for a neglected or abused horse
  - Submit to inspections by GERL Area Coordinators or board members
  - Work to ready horses to enter forever homes

What can you do? - GERL

- Volunteer at GERL fundraisers
  - Event Set Up/Take down
  - Registration
  - Meal Set up/serving
  - Selling T-shirts
  - Meeting and Greeting!

What can you do? - GERL

- Volunteer to educate the public
  - Man a booth at a fairs, shows, or clinics
  - Speak to groups
    - FFA, 4H, scout troops, etc.

What can you do? - GERL

- Adopt a horse!
  - Provide a forever home to a horse in need!

What can you do? - GERL

- Make a donation
  - Monetary donations made to the GERL go directly to help Georgia's horses!
    - Covering costs such as feed, hay, veterinary and farrier bills
  - Donate hay, farm tools, services (farrier, training, transport)

How do I join the rescue league?

- Fill out a membership form
  - www.gerlltd.org
  - Back page of each GERL newsletter
  - See me after the presentation!
- Send in your membership form and dues!

Will it make a difference?

The Georgia Equine Rescue League, LTD.

With your help
we will make a difference!