



Vinni the Mini Takes Center Stage at The Capital Challenge Horse Show



A big thank you to The Capital Challenge Horse Show for having Days End Farm Horse Rescue (DEFHR) return as an Official Charity Partner at the competition that ran from September 29 through October 9, 2022, at Prince George's Equestrian Center in Upper Marlboro, Maryland. For the second consecutive year, Vinni the Mini made an appearance as a VIP guest performer ahead of the prestigious World Champion Hunter Rider (WCHR) Professional Challenge. He also spent time with exhibitors during an ice cream social.

Vinni did a great job and we are so proud of how much he has accomplished since his arrival as an emaciated colt four years ago. Congratulations to Vinni and DEFHR's Assistant Trainer, Leigha Schrader, who has brought this young gelding along.

DEFHR Youth Volunteer Selected for WIHS Honor & Service Award presented by the EQUUS Foundation



The Washington International Horse Show (WIHS) Honor & Service Award was created in 2013 to recognize a horse, individual, or organization that best demonstrates the values of honor and service. The recipient receives a special prize and has the opportunity to select an equine charity on the Equine Welfare Network of EQUUS Foundation to receive a \$1,500 grant from the EQUUS Foundation.

The 2022 recipient of this annual award is our very own DEFHR youth volunteer Allison Smith and she has generously selected DEFHR to receive the \$1,500 grant from the EQUUS Foundation.

A DEFHR volunteer since 2017, Allison lends a hand by doing farm chores, leading tours, assisting at fundraising events, and conducting community outreach to educate people about our mission of horse rescue and putting an end to equine cruelty.

Allison will be recognized in a special ceremony this Friday, October 28, during WIHS Military Night, presented by Boeing, so get your tickets now and join in the celebration taking place at The Show Place Arena at Prince George's Equestrian Center in Upper Marlboro, Maryland.

Great job and thank you for your hard work, Allison!

[Learn More About the WIHS Honor & Service Award](#)

Meet Vinni the Mini This Saturday at WIHS Kids' Day



Come meet Vinni the Mini at the Washington International Horse Show (WIHS) Kids' Day presented by Delta Air Lines! It's a free event with free parking. Attendees will also receive a free pass to watch the show in The Show Place Arena during the day.

Date: Saturday, October 29

Time: 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Location: Prince George's Equestrian Center
14900 Pennsylvania Avenue
Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772

[Learn More About WIHS Kids' Day](#)

Join Us for Santa's Village at Days End Farm Horse Rescue



DEFHR, in collaboration with The Great Lisbon "Farmers Feeding the Hungry" Christmas Parade, is hosting Santa's Vendor Village at our Woodbine, Maryland, farm on Saturday, December 10, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Santa's Vendor Village will run concurrently with The Great Lisbon Christmas Parade taking place the same day in the historic town of Lisbon, Maryland, at 12 p.m.

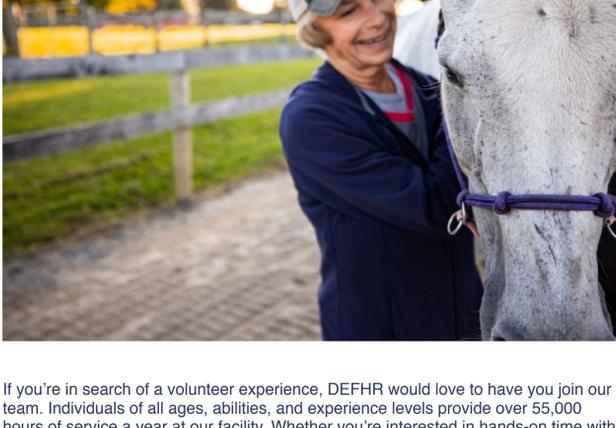
This family-friendly event at our facility will feature local retail vendors, photos with Santa, "reindeer rides" on a DEFHR horse, and lunch from local food truck The Dairy Bar at Glamourview Creamery.

To support Farmers Feeding the Hungry, DEFHR is collecting non-perishable and canned food. Please stop by our Woodbine farm from Monday to Sunday between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. and leave your gifts for those in need in the designated bins. Donated food can also be dropped off during the event.

For a list of vendors and other parade details, please visit: <http://www.lisbonchristmasparade.org/>

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Volunteer With DEFHR

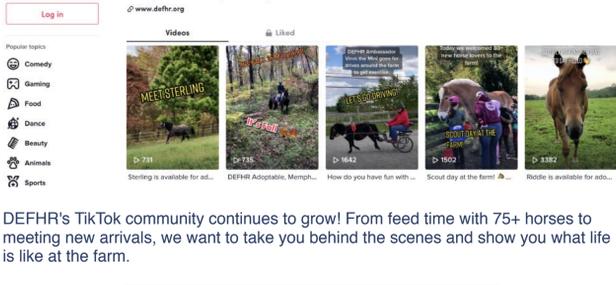


If you're in search of a volunteer experience, DEFHR would love to have you join our team. Individuals of all ages, abilities, and experience levels provide over 55,000 hours of service a year at our facility. Whether you're interested in hands-on time with the horses or want to contribute in a non-equine capacity, we have a variety of positions and needs in our volunteer programs.

Click the button below for more information and to sign up for the next volunteer orientation.

[Volunteer at DEFHR](#)

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DEFHR's TikTok community continues to grow! From feed time with 75+ horses to meeting new arrivals, we want to take you behind the scenes and show you what life is like at the farm.

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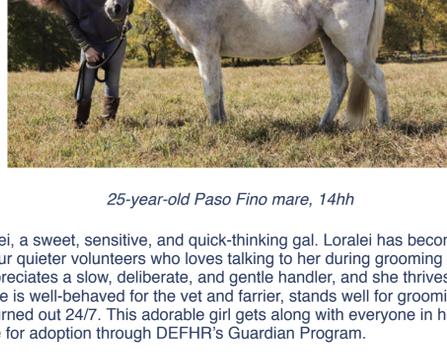


Horse Network "Rescue Horse Memphis No Longer Sings the Blues"

When he arrived at Days End Farm Horse Rescue (DEFHR) in Woodbine, Maryland, in January 2021, he was emaciated, had dermatitis across his topline, and was caked in mud from the midline down. Fortunately for the 14.3-hand gelding, he was about to get a second chance at finding a loving forever home. Tap the button below to read Memphis's story in our monthly column on Horse Network.

[Read the Article](#)

Featured Horse of the Month: Lorelei



25-year-old Paso Fino mare, 14hh

Meet Lorelei, a sweet, sensitive, and lovey-looking gal. Lorelei has become a favorite of one of our quieter volunteers who likes talking to her during grooming sessions. Lorelei appreciates a slow, deliberate, and gentle handler, and she thrives on a routine. She is well-behaved for the vet and gentle, stands well for grooming, and is currently turned out 24/7. This adorable girl gets along with everyone in her herd and is available for adoption through DEFHR's Guardian Program.

Visit defhr.org/available-horses/ and email adopt@DEFHR.org for details on Lorelei.

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