



## DEFHR at Horse World Expo



DEFHR Trainer Leigha Schrader led Zillow through his first-ever liberty performance.  
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Thank you to everyone who supported Days End Farm Horse Rescue (DEFHR) at Horse World Expo 2024 which ran February 29 through March 3 in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. We enjoyed seeing familiar faces and making new friends. Special thanks to our volunteers and staff who traveled from our farm in Woodbine, Maryland, to run our booth and lead demonstrations and educational sessions.



## Fort Frederick's Glow Up



In March 2023, DEFHR was called to support local law enforcement with the rescue and impoundment of neglected off-the-track Thoroughbreds living at a farm in Cecil County, Maryland. A gelding now known as Fort Frederick was one of those Thoroughbred horses rescued by DEFHR and brought to its Woodbine, Maryland, facility. When he arrived at DEFHR, it was clear that he was starving. He had a Henneke Body Condition Score of 1.5 out of 9 and was infested with lice.

Now, one year later, Fort Frederick is fully rehabilitated and will soon transition into DEFHR's training program to prepare him for his future forever home. To support our life-saving efforts or to view horses currently available for adoption, click the buttons below.

- [Support DEFHR's Life-Saving Work](#)
- [View DEFHR's Adoptable Horses](#)

## Volunteer at DEFHR



Saving the lives of horses would not be possible without the dedication and selfless actions of volunteers.

Each year at DEFHR, volunteers of all ages, abilities, and experience levels provide more than 55,000 hours of service. DEFHR accepts volunteers who are interested in hands-on time with the horses and those who would prefer to contribute in a non-equine capacity. Children ages 5 to 11 are also able to volunteer alongside a parent.

If you are interested in joining our wonderful team of volunteers, consider attending one of our orientation sessions, which take place on the second Saturday and fourth Tuesday of each month.

Click the button below to learn more about volunteering at DEFHR and to register for an orientation.

[Learn More and Register](#)

## Register for DEFHR's April and May Scout Days

**Scout Day Fun!**

We have space available for you at Scout Day at DEFHR on April 20!

**REGISTER YOUR TROOP TODAY!**

Registration is open for DEFHR's popular Girl/Boy Scout Days. Individual Scouts and entire troops are invited to attend a two-hour, hands-on program on Saturday, April 20, or Saturday, May 4, 2024, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. During their time on the farm, Scouts will rotate through multiple educational stations that include grooming, leading horses, and learning how DEFHR rehabilitates its horses. All Scouts will receive a DEFHR patch. The cost is \$10 per Scout.

[Register for Scout Day](#)

## In the News



### Horse Network "Zillow Takes Real Estate in Rescue Horse Trainer's Heart"

In late 2022, Zillow arrived at DEFHR as part of a neglect case. After spending years locked in a dark stall, he was fearful and difficult to handle. After rehabilitating, he entered into DEFHR's training program where a surprise training-related encounter with DEFHR Trainer Leigha Schrader helped them both heal from past trauma. Click the button below to read Zillow's story in our monthly column on Horse Network.

[Read the Article](#)

## Featured Horse of the Month: Peter Piper



18-year-old Tennessee Walking Horse gelding, 15hh

"Peter" is a charming, balanced gelding being offered as a non-riding companion due to a previous soft-tissue injury. Despite the old injury, he is pasture sound and currently doesn't require any maintenance. Peter is the sweetest boy and has become a favorite among DEFHR volunteers due to his engaging and people-loving personality.

Visit [defhr.org/available-horses/](https://defhr.org/available-horses/) and email [adopt@DEFHR.org](mailto:adopt@DEFHR.org) for details on Peter Piper.

[Click To Learn More About Peter Piper](#)

## In 2023, DEFHR Opened Its Doors for 55 Horses in Critical Condition

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