

Miracles Out On The Farm

When we walk into Freedom Hills
Their eyes shine bright like the sun
Our students know they are accepted here
And they're day has just begun.

"Hi Miss Robyn" Teresa will say
but Adam can only sign "Hello"
At Freedom Hills they are understood
No matter where on the Farm they go.

Our students get excited
Cleaning stalls or riding a horse
Ask them nicely to complete a chore
You will hear nothing but "of course."

When riding Chareata, Frodo or Apples
Heather can walk on her own
On horseback she laughs continuously
Unlike school where wheelchairs are all she's
ever known.

Each day they take responsibility
For the animals they dearly love
The bond we have come to see
Seems as if sent by angels above.

Before they leave each Monday, Tuesday and
Thursday
The students blow kisses to say goodbye
"We will see you soon, I love you Macaroni"
And on the bus they go with a sigh.

The verbal kids tell us as we head for school
"Freedom Hills makes us feel good!"
Those who can't talk smile at us
And their happiness was simply understood.

So Freedom Hills is not any ol' farm
It brings magic to us in unbelievable ways
Smiles are larger and laughter is louder
As here joy is seen every day.

Sara Loper Killian

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Freedom Hills

A therapeutic horseback riding program for the benefit of people with disabilities.



The mission of Freedom Hills is to provide physical, emotional, mental therapy, and recreational riding, to children and adults with programs customized to individual needs; through the use of horseback riding, giving hope, joy, and self confidence in the name of Christ.

Who Is Freedom Hills?

Freedom Hills is a non-profit 501(c)3 therapeutic riding program that has been serving the community since 1982. Therapy is available to any physically and/or emotionally challenged individual in the Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania tri-state area. As a non-profit organization, Freedom Hills exists through the efforts of volunteers, donations, fundraisers, and sponsors. Freedom Hills does not turn anyone away due to financial difficulties.



Freedom Hill's annual horse show provides an opportunity for students to show off their skills.

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Who We Serve:

These are some of the disabilities that Freedom Hills is qualified to work with:

Down Syndrome
Emotional Disabilities
Physical Disabilities
Learning Disabilities
Multiple Sclerosis
Deaf, Blind, Mute
Paraplegia
Cerebral Palsy
Muscular Dystrophy
Alzheimer's Disease
Huntington's Chorea
Mentally Challenged
Head Trauma
Quadriplegia
Amputee
"At Risk" Individuals
Fibromyalgia
Autism
ADHD
PTSD

What We Do:

For the physically impaired/disabled riding a horse can play a significant role in their rehabilitation. Clients who have tired of conventional therapy, and therefore cease to respond/progress, may be stimulated psychologically and physically by riding. The warmth and motion of the horse will benefit little-used muscles, and in many cases, decrease muscle spasms. The horse also provides the sturdy legs to take its rider as far as the imagination allows.



All our riders are winners!

For the emotionally challenged the partnership of horse and rider can offer a whole new aspect of life. Riding takes concentration, self-control, balance and motivation.

The emotionally challenged rider's self-esteem/self-image is greatly improved. After all, not all people can control such a large animal.

Aside from all the mental and physical benefits, riding for the disabled is fun! It's an opportunity to meet many new people, animals and play games all while participating in a very safety oriented unique therapy.

The partnership between rider and horse offers a whole new aspect on life.



Freedom Hills is an equal opportunity organization. The organizations policies, programs and activities are in conformance with pertinent Federal and State laws and regulations on nondiscrimination regarding race, color, religion, age, national origin, sex, and handicap.

We Need Your Support

A contribution to this organization would help our program in many ways, especially help to defray expenses of special safety equipment and to financially assist our riders.

\$10 \$25 \$50

\$100 \$250

Any Amount \$

I would like more information. Please contact me at your convenience. My address and phone are listed below.

I would like to volunteer. I understand I don't need any previous experience.

I would like to be a rider or someone I know would like to participate.

I would like to sponsor a rider or horse.

I would like information on corporate sponsorship.

Name:

Business Name:

Address:

City:

State: Zip:

Phone:

Email: