



You can make a difference

Volunteers are essential to the Lovesome Stable Equitherapy program. There are many opportunities to make a difference at Lovesome Stables Equitherapy. We need volunteers for our classes and for our events as well as financial help to keep our riders learning to ride.

Class Volunteers - Our main need is for class volunteers to assist riders. We ask for a minimum time commitment of approximately 2 hours a week for the duration of the 6week session. To volunteer in class, you will need to attend a training (approximately 2 hours), where you will learn Lovesome's techniques for: grooming, tacking, leading, side walking, mounting and dismounting. We would be delighted to have you return session after session, since experienced class volunteers provide stability and a sense of community, familiarity with rider's goals and needs and proficiency with horse and tack. Volunteer requirements

We also offer many important non-class volunteer opportunities.

Equine program - Volunteers work directly with barn staff to help feed and care for the horses and the facility. Volunteers in the equine program should be willing to commit to a specified, consistent period of time each week and must first attend a general volunteer orientation and training session.

Office- Volunteers assist with word processing, data entry, photocopying, bulk mailing, and other support tasks and grant writing.

Facility/Farm - Volunteers help with general maintenance, repairs and improvements of the facility, including fencing.

Special events- Volunteers serve on event committees and assist with productions during the various fundraiser and special events that Lovesome Stables holds.

Special skills - Volunteers who possess skills or professional/technical experience that may benefit Lovesome Stables, such as photography, graphic design, computer knowledge, etc are encouraged to contact us.

Please note that **work party** projects are also available throughout the year for groups interested in community service work, such as Boy Scouts, Pony Club, Church Youth groups, etc. No training is necessary for these projects. Please contact Lovesome Stables to learn about our current projects.

If you would like to take the next step toward becoming a Lovesome Stables volunteer, please contact us.

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Volunteer requirements

- 1.) The recommended minimum age for volunteers is 14.
- 2.) Please complete your Volunteer application and Release Form (volunteers under the age of 18 years old must have paper work signed by a parent or guardian to participate in training and volunteering) (Volunteers 18 years and over, must complete a background check) and return it to Lovesome Stables.
- 3.) Volunteers must be available a minimum of one hour per week for the 6 week session. New volunteers receive their assignments and schedule following their attendance in a volunteer orientation and training session. Volunteer assignments are based on interest, experience and availability. The first session is considered a trial period.
- 4.) Volunteering in many of the programs involves moderate physical activity. Please be sure you are comfortable and capable with the physical aspects of the role you select.
- 5.) Because of the nature of the services we provide, Lovesome Stable Equitherapy reserves the right to make the final determination as to the appropriateness of volunteers for our organization.

Please see job descriptions for specifics Leader side walker

To discuss your interests and schedule, please contact Jody Keeley at 859-653-7410 or by email at jekeeley@fuse.net .

As a volunteer...

What can you expect from Lovesome Stables.

You will be treated with courtesy. We all work together to make the riding experience the best it can be for each rider. You will receive training. All volunteers must complete an orientation and training in order to work in the ring with riders. If there is something you don't understand or are uncomfortable doing, speak up!

You will be provided with opportunities. Most volunteers say that they get more out of their volunteer experience than they give. You also have our gratitude. Volunteers are the heart of Lovesome stables. Thank you!

What Lovesome Stables expects from you.

We hope you can make a commitment, whether short or long. Every lesson depends on the volunteers that have said they would be there. Lovesome expects you to learn about therapeutic riding, horses, people, terminology and how to put it all together with fun! Lovesome Stables expects you to be aware. If you notice a hazardous situation or have an idea, please speak up. There are always better ways to do things. Safety is a teamwork effort and you are part of our team. We are always in need of more volunteers. Remember to keep rider's personal information private, but talk to your friends about your experiences here.

