

# LAST DANCE RESCUE RANCH

a Non-Profit Corporation  
providing a permanent home for senior and special  
needs farm and domestic animals

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## VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

**"Volunteers are not paid - not because they are worthless, but  
because they are priceless."  
author unknown**

Welcome! If you are interested in becoming a regular volunteer at the *Last Dance Rescue Ranch*, please complete this Application form and we'll get in touch. Acceptance of your application will be based on this application, a background check, and orientation and training. We rely on volunteers to make our daily operation possible and have volunteer opportunities in a number of areas including Animal Care and Ground Maintenance.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

Group name (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

DRIVERS LICENSE: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

PHYSICAL ADDRESS (if different than mailing address): \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Why are you interested in volunteering at the ranch? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any environmental or animal allergies? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Some of the work at LDRR is physical in nature and mostly outdoors. Do you have any other conditions that may affect your ability to perform volunteer duties at LDRR? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Skills and Experience: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Special skills, interests, and/or hobbies? Please tell us a little about yourself and what you enjoy doing:

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\_\_\_\_\_

**Assignment Preference:** Please let us know what areas interest you most and where you'd like to help out. Check all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative Duties (website, fundraising, etc). | <input type="checkbox"/> Cat Care (grooming, playing) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dog Care (grooming, playing, walking)              | <input type="checkbox"/> Clean Catland                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Coop (clean up, wipe down)                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Rabbit Greenhouse duties     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Horse brushing/grooming                            | <input type="checkbox"/> General stall cleaning       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Paddock/stall muck out                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Minor handyman               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                                       |   |

**Availability: \*\* Volunteers are asked to commit to a minimum of two days per month for six months**

Monday  Tuesday  Wednesday  Thursday  Friday  Saturday

Mornings and/or  Afternoons

If you are unable to commit to a six month commitment, what length of time could you commit to:

\_\_\_\_\_

Are you interested in helping out but can't commit to a longer-term opportunity? We offer Volunteer Work Days that you can sign up for individually. Check out LDRR events page and consider signing up.

**References:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Release of Information:**

I give my permission for the *Last Dance Rescue Ranch* staff to verify any of the information provided above. Furthermore, I acknowledge that I may be subject to a background check prior to volunteering. I understand that I may be required to provide further information and sign additional releases as part of that background check. I understand that if at any point during the check there is a basis or reason to not advance me as a volunteer, I may not be told what grounds I was not selected. I also understand that the background check will *never* be made available to the general public.

**AGREEMENT:**

I understand and agree as follows:

- \* I have read the above *Release of Information* and agree to the same.
- \* I have read and agree to abide by the *General Rescue Ranch Rules and Guidelines* attached hereto and part of this Application.
- \* I have read, agree to, and have signed the *Volunteer Release and Waiver of Liability* attached hereto and part of this Application.
- \* I will report ANY injury or incident (either to myself and/or an animal) IMMEDIATELY to April North, President of the *Last Dance Rescue Ranch*.
- \* I agree to NOT bring any unauthorized guest(s) or animals onto ranch property without permission.
- \* I understand that I may be terminated from my volunteer position as stated herein.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

sign above and print your name below your signature

## GENERAL RESCUE RANCH RULES/GUIDELINES

- \* *Last Dance Rescue Range* (hereinafter referred to as LDRR) exists as a quiet sanctuary where all animals can live their lives without harm, stress, and harassment. ***This is not a petting zoo.***
- \* No smoking or use of tobacco is allowed on the property.
- \* Do not transfer animals out of their current enclosure without being specifically instructed to do so.
- \* Use caution when moving through gates and doors, and keep them secured at all times. Leave all gates and doors as you found them.
- \* Interacting with large farm animals can be dangerous, do not enter encloses without permission and guidance.
- \* Most animals are on special diets; feed only approved daily feed and approved snacks.
- \* Please visit the ranch only during your scheduled volunteer time.
- \* No firearms are allowed on the property.
- \* Do not bring personal pets onto the property without permission.
- \* Do not bring any unauthorized guest to the ranch without permission. When making a request to bring guests, specify if any of the guest are under the age of 14.

**Last Dance Rescue Ranch**

**VOLUNTEER RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY**

As a volunteer for the Last Dance Rescue Ranch (hereinafter referred to as LDRR), I understand that I will not be compensated for services rendered as a volunteer. I also understand that LDRR is free to terminate the relationship with or without notice, with or without prior warning, and/or with or without cause.

I do freely and voluntarily sign and agree to this **Release and Waiver of Liability** and acknowledge and agree to the following:

1. **Waiver and Release:** I hereby release and waive my rights to sue LDRR, it's officers, employees and all associated members of the LDRR, from any and all liability to me for all losses, injury, death or damage, and any claims or demands thereto, on account of injury to person or property, or resulting in my death in reference to the activities authorized in my work as a volunteer.
2. **Medical treatment:** I release and discharge LDRR from any claim that arises or may arise due to any first aid, medical treatment, or service rendered to me. I understand that I am not entitled to workers' compensation. It is recommended that all volunteers are current on the tetanus vaccine (having had one within the last ten years.)
3. **Assumption of risk:** I understand that my work/activities for the LDRR may include activities that may be hazardous, including but not limited to: heavy lifting, using yard and garden tools, climbing ladders, and interacting with farm animals.
4. **Insurance:** LDRR does not have responsibility for providing any health, medical, or disability insurance coverage for me. **IT IS MY RESPONSIBILITY AS A VOLUNTEER TO ENSURE I HAVE MEDICAL/HEALTH INSURANCE.**
5. **Photographic release:** I grant to LDRR the right to use photographic images and video or audio recording of me that are made by LDRR or others during my work assignment for LDRR, including royalties, proceeds, or other benefits from use of the photographs or recordings.
6. **Copyright laws:** I understand that showing or posing videos or pictures of the ranch and ranch activities is not allowed without specific permission of LDRR.
7. **Age Restrictions:** Volunteers under the age of 14 need to be accompanied by adult supervisors at all times while at the ranch. Adult supervisors accompanying volunteers under the age of 14 years old assume responsibility of compliance.
10. **Other:** I agree that this Release is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the laws of the State of Michigan, and that this Release is governed by and will be interpreted according to the laws of the State of Michigan. I understand that should any part of this Release be ruled invalid by a court, the other parts will remain valid and continue to be in effect.

Volunteer:

LDRR:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sign above and print name below

\_\_\_\_\_  
April North, President of LDRR

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent or Guardian of Volunteer if  
the volunteer is under the age of 18

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sign above and print name and relationship  
to minor below

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_