

As an alternative to sending horses to slaughter the NYSHC has been organizing this information. This list is for informational purposes only and individuals wishing to utilize these facilities are encouraged to evaluate the programs thoroughly. Common threads that run through all the rescue/sanctuaries:

- An in depth and critical screening process.
- Adoption contracts that prohibit the unauthorized transfer of the horses
- Retention of ownership.
- The right to conduct follow ups to check on the welfare of the equine.
- Foster programs until the equine is permanently adopted.
- Most have charitable organization status.
- Some also determine whether it is more humane to euthanize an equine than to try to save it.

Birdsall Horse Rescue and Sanctuary Inc. (Tax Exempt)  
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Vice President/Executive Director: Harriett Rubins  
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Director at Large: Jennifer Lilly

BHRS Inc is one of the newest recognized Tax Exempt Horse Rescue facilities in western New York. Most of us have been taking in unwanted horses for years. Now we've decided to pool our resources and work together to save horses that are neglected or perhaps, bound for slaughter. We also take horses from owners who can no longer care for them. We don't charge to take a horse. We don't charge to give a horse out on a permanent lease. We don't charge a membership fee. We rely on donations and fund raisers from like-minded people who see what we're trying to do and want to help.

We are located on a free-leased 26+ acres farm, with a barn and a 3 bedroom house, in Bloomfield, NY . We have the option to purchase the property. We hope to rent the house out in order to pay for the mortgage, taxes and insurance. The rest is up to people who want to help. All of us are experienced horse people, trying to do the right thing for horses that don't have any say in their futures.

EQUINE RESCUE:  
PO Box 392  
Walden N.Y.  
914-733-6085  
<http://www.equine-rescue.org>

Equine Rescue Inc. is located in Orange County and owned by Lynda B. The sanctuary has a sixteen equine capacity and all incoming candidates for the rescue are screened

through the rescue's board of directors. This is to ensure that there are the resources to rehabilitate and care for the equine. If the rescue can't take an animal they will inform the owner of alternative sanctuaries or rescues. As with the other rescues they have a strict adoption candidate screening process.

Equine Rescue Resource Inc.:  
P.O. Box 158  
Throgs Neck, NY 10465  
<http://www.equinerescueresource.com>  
[equinerescueresource@hotmail.com](mailto:equinerescueresource@hotmail.com)

The Equine Rescue Resource Inc. (ERR) is a New York State charitable, tax exempt (state and federal 501C3) organization helping horses in need. The ERR goal is to create awareness on the issues surrounding the horse industry while providing rescue, rehabilitation and placement services to horses that have been abandoned, abused or neglected. Prospective homes will be screened, site inspections of facilities conducted and a protective placement agreement executed prior to placement. ERR facilities are located in Orange County, NY.

H.O.R.S.E. Rescue and Sanctuary:  
P.O. Box 432  
York N.Y. 14592  
716-584-8210  
<http://www.horse-rescue.org>

H.O.R.S.E. is owned by Chris and Mike Dodge south of Rochester N.Y. The rescue takes in any horse that needs a home (including abused and slaughter horses). The goal is to rehabilitate and adopt out the horses given to the sanctuary. H.O.R.S.E. has an adoption screening process and one of the main goals is to match the person to the equine. The adopter must work with the animal for four to six weeks prior to adoption to ensure a proper match. The adoption contract indicates that the sanctuary retains ownership of the equine and that the adopter has only custodial co-ownership. This is to ensure that the equine can not be sold, traded or disposed of without the organization's permission. The rescue does follow up visits to ensure the equine's welfare. If an equine cannot be rehabilitated for adoption it remains at the sanctuary through end of life. H.O.R.S.E. also has a sanctuary in Oakview CA. H.O.R.S.E. Rescue & Sanctuary is a non-profit 501(C)(3) humane corporation and donations are tax deductible.

HUMANE SOCIETY at LOLLYPOP FARM  
99 Victor Rd.  
Fairport N.Y. 14450  
<http://www.lollypop.org>

Lollypop Farm is the Rochester area's Humane Association's home base. Besides taking in the usual dogs, cats puppies, and kittens this organization takes in agricultural and exotic animals. The area has a capacity for approximately 30 equines. Lollypop will accept horses from owners and also investigates and rescues cruelty cases from Monroe and surrounding counties. There is a strict adoption screening process and they also try to match animal to potential owner. At Lollypop the adopter must have a letter of recommendation from one of the following: a veterinarian, farrier or trainer. The adopter works with the animal prior to adoption. The Humane Association does a home

visit before the equine leave and a follow up visit six months later. The adoption contract states that there is to be no breeding, using for money and no selling the animal to another. Lollypop is not an end of life sanctuary.

New York Horse Rescue Corporation  
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<http://www.nyhr.org>

Our Mission is to prevent the inhumane slaughter of injured and abused horses. Our goal is to rehabilitate and place these horses in qualified adoptive homes. We primarily rehabilitate and retrain Thoroughbred racehorses.

Promises Kept Farm  
HCR #1, Route 16  
Summit, NY 12175  
518-287-1870  
[www.promiseskept.org](http://www.promiseskept.org)

Although this is not a rescue organization, they do provide retirement services to horses in New York State.

Rerun (Recycling Racehorses)  
Facility in Fulton, NY  
Information call: (Kentucky Office)859-289-7786  
email: [rswart2@twcny.rr.com](mailto:rswart2@twcny.rr.com)  
<http://www.rerun.org>

Kentucky-based org giving ex-racehorses a second chance at a productive life by first evaluating temperaments, talents and physical capabilities and then matching the animals to new owners. We assist in the re-training and recuperation process with the help of volunteers and paid personnel skilled in horsemanship.

Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation:  
PMB 351  
450 Shrewsbury Plaza  
Shrewsbury, NJ 07702-4332  
732-957-0182  
[www.trfinc.org](http://www.trfinc.org)

For Thoroughbred racehorses coming off the track for the last time, the nonprofit Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation is very often the difference between life and death. Since 1982, the nation's largest Thoroughbred rescue organization has been providing lifetime haven to these gallant equine athletes when they have nowhere else to go. The TRF Exceller Farm, located in the Walkill State Correctional Facility, prepares former racehorses for new careers as pleasure and companion horses.

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