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 REFLECTING ON A YEAR OF RESCUES

Believe there is good in the world.

INTRODUCING OUR RESCUE CLASS OF 2023

We are thrilled to introduce you to our rescue class of 2023. These incredible animals have found their way to us, each with a unique and heartwarming story of rescue and resilience. To delve deeper into their inspiring tales and learn more about all of our rescues, visit luckyonesranch.org/our-animals



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JERRY, GEORGE, ELAINE & SUSAN



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GRATITUDE & CELEBRATION: LUCKY ONES RANCH IN 2023

They say it takes a village, and Lucky Ones Ranch is a living testament to that truth. We want to express our heartfelt gratitude to all our donors, sponsors, and volunteers for their unwavering love and generosity. Without your support, we wouldn't be able to carry out the important work we do.

Whether you've been by our side since our days at Cantelow Road, joined us in the aftermath of the fires, or recently discovered us, we want to extend our sincere thanks to you for being part of our journey. Your support means the world to us as we continue to rebuild and grow.

On behalf of all of us at Lucky Ones Ranch, we wish you a joyous Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We look forward to welcoming in 2024 as we embark on yet another exciting year of transformation and progress!

connect with us!



Thao Le & Vince Ones
Founders of Lucky Ones Ranch

WE NEED YOUR HELP: URGENT RANCH IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AHEAD!

We are always looking for ways to improve the lives of the Lucky Ones. At the beginning of the year, we were drenched with a series of powerful storms. We spent several thousand dollars in gravel to provide drier footing for the animals and volunteers. Once the storms passed, we shifted gears and spent over \$5,000 for Sully's medical chute and a Big Ass Fan to cool down the animals during the intense heat waves. Now that winter is upon us, we need to shift our focus back to essential projects. We urgently need additional funding to provide better, drier, and more comfortable living conditions to our animal residents.



Currently, we lack the necessary resources and funds to complete these vital projects. If you or someone you know can lend a helping hand through donations or volunteer work, please reach out to us. Your support will make a huge difference in bringing these initiatives to life. We're deeply grateful for your ongoing support, making our sanctuary an even better home for our beloved animal companions. Stay tuned for updates on our progress in the coming year!

Here's a glimpse of some crucial projects on our to-do list, each of them vital to maintaining a safe, comfortable, and healthy environment for our animal residents:

HELP US GET TO "AFTER"!

INSTALL BARN GUTTER

Install barn gutter to ensure proper water drainage away from the structure.

INSTALL HORSE SHELTER

We're in the early stages of planning the installation of a horse shelter to provide protection from the elements.

INSTALL COW & DONKEY SHELTER

Install walls for the existing shelters for our cows & donkeys.

RECONSTRUCT FENCING FOR CATTLE & HORSES

Rebuild and reinforce the fencing around the cattle & horse enclosures.

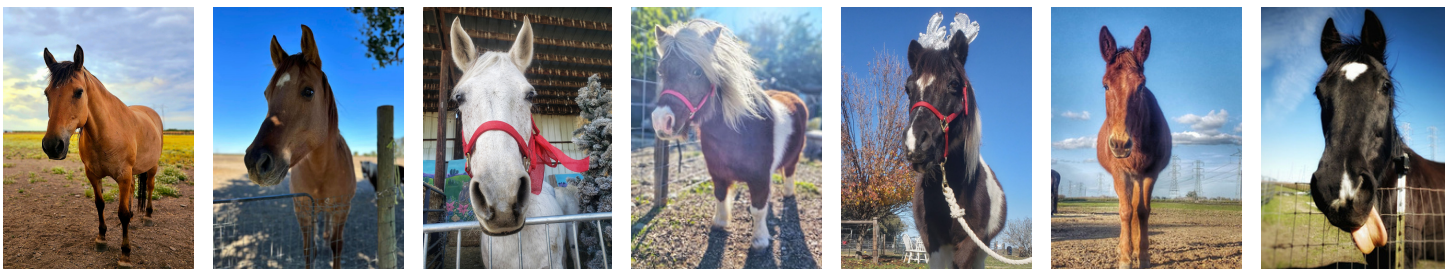
IMPROVE RANCH LIGHTING

Expand and enhance the ranch lighting infrastructure, benefiting both our animals and dedicated volunteers.

REPAIR DRAINAGE SYSTEM

We are actively addressing drainage system repairs to prevent potential flooding incidents.

BUILDING SHELTER FOR OUR BELOVED HORSES



Our mission at the Lucky Ones Ranch has always been to provide a safe and loving environment for our permanent animal residents; ensuring their well-being and happiness throughout their lives is paramount to us.

We have been fundraising for a much-needed large horse shelter for our aging herd of horses. We are pleased to announce that we reached our minimum fundraising goal of \$7000! Thank you so much for your generous donations that made this happen. With this amount, we will soon have a shelter installed for the horses.

We are in need of additional funding to add walls to the shelters to provide better protection from the elements. Our goal is to have the shelter in place before the winter rains arrive.

HERE'S HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Donate: Every dollar counts, and your donation will directly contribute to the comfort and well-being of our horses.

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Spread the Word: Share our cause with your friends, family, and colleagues who share our passion for animal welfare. Together, we can reach our fundraising goal more quickly.

2023 LIFE UPDATES: A SPOTLIGHT ON SOME OF OUR LUCKY ONES

As we reflect on the year that has passed, we wanted to provide you with some updates about some Lucky Ones:



Abby's Integration: What was supposed to be a simple transport of a young German Shepherd from the dog shelter to a local boarding facility evolved into the rescue and adoption of Abby. We intervened because no one else was advocating for Abby. Medication quickly treated her bloody diarrhea and got rid of her Giardia. That was the simple part. The work was in figuring out how to handle a dog who was scared of everything and was quick to bite people and dogs. Two dog trainers said she was a liability. But we rose to the challenge and worked with Abby to gain her trust, build her confidence, and expose her to the good things in life. Abby now greets us and the volunteers with happy tail wags and kisses. She now only barks at strangers. She still is a work in progress and maybe one day, we will be able to integrate her into the pack.



Progress with the Lucky 8: The Lucky 8 have experienced 3 hoof trims and have shown remarkable progress in their weight loss journey since their arrival from Grass Valley last year. They have grown increasingly comfortable on their feet, enabling them to explore more. While they tend to be selective eaters and favor bananas over broccoli, we've recently discovered their fondness for lettuce. Their initial skittishness around humans has notably improved, and they have been gradually building trust in our presence.



Sully's Battle with Cancer: Sully, our 6 year old Dorset sheep was surrendered to us in 2018. He had been previously attacked by dogs and sustained a large wound on his right flank. Unfortunately, the scar mutated into squamous cell carcinoma (skin cancer) and we had the large mass removed in May. We purchased a livestock chute to help us hold him still while we changed his bandages. By October, we brought Sully back to Loomis Basin Equine Hospital for a second mass removal. At this point, we are giving him more time, but we will not be putting him through any additional surgeries. Rest assured, Sully continues to receive extra love and treats that he deserves.



Fonzie: As Fonzie, with cerebellar hypoplasia, has aged, he now requires assistance to stand and move around. He continues to receive heart medication for his murmur. We've provided him with special devices for standing, as well as strollers and wagons to help him get around. Despite his challenges, Fonzie remains so sweet and loving and always enjoys extra cuddles.



Edgar's Remarkable Recovery: At the end of 2022, we held out hope that Edgar would overcome his health challenges. He had constant fevers, heart murmurs, lack of appetite and a bacteria resistant urinary tract infection. We continued his antibiotics for several months into 2023, out of fear his fever would return. Gradually, we weaned him off the antibiotics and Edgar has never looked back! Edgar is now 101 pounds (we rescued him at 78

pounds). He is the self-appointed 'fun police'. He will run alongside the golf cart and bark at the other dogs if they bark too much. He guards our gate when we leave and stays there until we return. It has been amazing to witness his transformation!



Henry and Bentley: At 14.5 and 17 years old, our beloved senior dogs, Henry and Bentley, continue to inspire us with their resilience. Despite the natural slowdown as they age, they remain in good health. They receive regular acupuncture and cold laser treatments to ease any discomfort, and they always earn pup cups for being cooperative patients.



While we wish we could provide updates on every member of our sanctuary, we understand that these are the ones many of you have been curious about. For more frequent updates, please follow us on Facebook or Instagram. If you're not on social media, visit our website at luckyonesranch.org for the latest news and stories from Lucky Ones Ranch.

2023: HONORING THE LUCKY ONES WHO CROSSED THE RAINBOW BRIDGE

It's been a year filled with ups and downs, and we want to celebrate the amazing animals who've crossed the Rainbow Bridge. Sadly, we bid farewell to Lola, a 5-month-old turkey, and Isabelle, a 6-year-old turkey and Ricky, Julia and Kevin, pictured below. Additionally, we lost a dear bunny, a beloved guinea pig, and seven cherished chickens. You can read our heartfelt tributes to them on our website, luckyonesranch.org. These Lucky Ones made our lives better, and we want to share their stories with you.



RICKY, 30 years old

Adopted 2013

Crossed the Rainbow Bridge 7/5/2023



JULIA, 5 years old

Adopted 2019

Crossed the Rainbow Bridge 11/6/2023



KEVIN, 12 years old

Adopted 2012

Crossed the Rainbow Bridge 10/27/2023

PET THERAPY SUPERSTARS

Every other week, Thao and ranch volunteer, Barb, bring a select group of the ranch dogs to brighten the lives of memory care seniors at Pacifica Senior Living through pet therapy visits. Not every dog possesses the qualities needed to be a pet therapy dog; it requires a special kind of canine – one that has the right temperament, is friendly and social, patient and tolerant. Meet Rosette, Holly, Mikey, and Henry – our pet therapy superstars.

These seniors eagerly anticipate their visits, and the joy on their faces is unmistakable as our dogs walk in. While some of the seniors may not recognize Thao or the volunteers, the moment they spot the dogs, their faces light up, and you can hear them exclaim, 'Henry!' or whichever dog they have warmed up to. It's heartwarming to witness the positive impact these dogs have on their lives.



FEEDING OUR BELOVED RESIDENTS

At Lucky Ones Ranch, we take pride in providing the best care possible for all our animal residents. We'd like to share with you some insights into the average cost and food requirements for some of our beloved animals.*

Animal	Avg cost per day	Amount of food per day
Feathered Friends	\$6.00	~12 lbs of feed
Cows	\$18.00	~82 lbs of hay
Dogs	\$18.00	~15 lbs of raw food
Horses, Mule & Donkeys	\$16.00	~74 lbs of hay
Llamas, Rabbits & Guinea Pig	\$3.00	~12 lbs of hay
Sheep, Pigs & Goats	\$14.40	~32 lbs of hay ~20 cups of feed (pigs only)

*Please keep in mind that these figures are estimates, and the actual prices can fluctuate. Daily figures fluctuate depending on pasture and weather conditions.

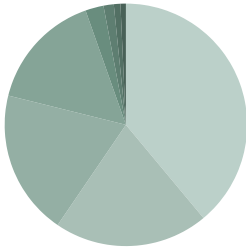


2023 ANNUAL REPORT

The infographic provides key statistics and figures related to animal care and associated costs, highlighting Lucky Ones Ranch's impact on the local community.

ANIMAL CARE

VETERINARIAN COSTS (AS OF 12.31.23)



\$45,954

- Southampton (\$17,899)
- Medical Center for Birds (\$9,453)
- Loomis Basin Equine (\$8,896)
- Dr. Krstich (\$7,223)
- VEG (\$1,119)
- Roseville Pet & Bird (\$629)
- Gold Coast Vet (\$404)
- SAGE (\$331)

\$1,726

DENTAL EXAMS
HORSE, DONKEY & MULE



\$5,250

COMFORT ITEMS
LIVESTOCK CHUTE & BIG FAN

63

VET APPOINTMENTS
VISITS OFTEN INVOLVE MULTIPLE ANIMALS

\$3,604

BEDDING
STRAW, SHAVINGS & EASY PEEZY

\$2,300

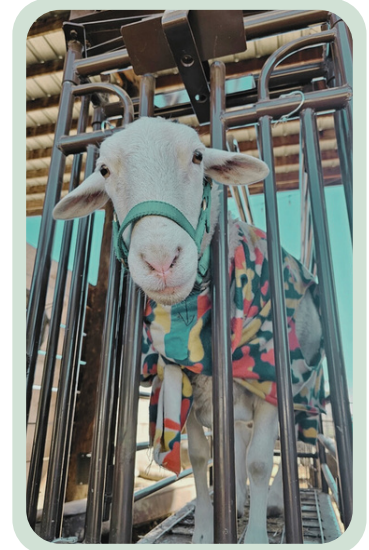
PIG TRIMS

46

DOG GROOMINGS

\$2,250

HORSE FARRIER



ENGAGING THE COMMUNITY

42

PET THERAPY VISITS
30 PACIFICA SENIOR LIVING
11 KREATIVE COMMUNITY SERVICES
1 SOLANO HOUSE

35 WEEKLY VOLUNTEERS



21

COMMUNITY EVENTS

420

VOLUNTEER HOURS WORKED A MONTH



ANIMAL COUNT

128

COUNT ON
1/1/2023

22

RESCUED

1 HATCHED
2 ADOPTED OUT

14

CROSSED THE
RAINBOW BRIDGE

135

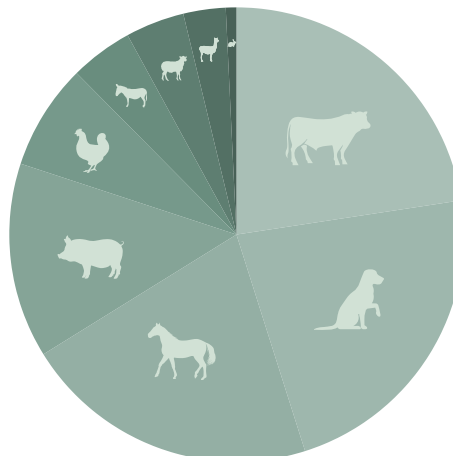
COUNT ON
12/31/2023



FEEDING THE ANIMALS

ANNUAL COST OF FOOD

- Cattle - \$6,570
- Dogs - \$6,549
- Horses & Mule - \$6,121
- Pigs - \$4,037
- Feathered Friends - \$2,190
- Donkeys - \$1,298
- Goats & Sheep - \$1,219
- Llamas - \$876
- Rabbits - \$219



\$29,079

Annual cost of food is an estimate that includes expenses for hay, feed, and dog food but does not include any donations received from Grocery Outlet and purchases from our Amazon Wishlist.

RESIDENT HEADCOUNT

- 5 CATS
- 2 CATTLE
- 31 CHICKENS
- 16 DOGS
- 2 DONKEYS
- 13 DUCKS
- 2 GOATS
- 4 GUINEA FOWL
- 1 GUINEA PIG
- 6 HORSES
- 3 LLAMAS
- 1 MULE
- 3 PIGEONS
- 23 PIGS
- 6 RABBITS
- 10 SHEEP
- 2 TORTOISES
- 5 TURKEYS

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BALES OF HAY
70 HIGBY'S
640 ATKINSON HAY

\$22

AVERAGE COST
OF 1 BALE

\$16,429

ANNUAL COST OF HAY

\$5,749

ANNUAL COST OF RAW DOG FOOD

\$5,152

DONATED CANNED DOG FOOD