

**HORSE PLUS  
HUMANE SOCIETY**





**OVER 6000 HORSES  
RESCUED SINCE 2003**



**Horse Plus Humane Society is the largest horse welfare organization in the United States, rescuing and sheltering more horses than any other horse welfare organization, based on number of horses helped and adopted each year.**



# Saving Horses at Livestock Auctions



Over 70,000 horses are exported for slaughter each year

*Fact: Horses are sold at livestock auctions and then exported out of the United States to be slaughtered for human consumption.*

Livestock auctions are public sales held across the United States where animals are sold to the highest bidders. Kill buyers attend auctions to purchase horses and ship them to slaughter in Mexico or Canada.

It costs us about \$1,000 to rescue a horse from auction, give the horse medical care, quarantine, training, and adopted into a new loving home, or Last Act of Kindness if needed.

How many horses do we save from auctions?

20-50 horses every month!





Horse Plus Humane Society is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that was founded in 2003 by a 19 year old girl who loved horses and couldn't stand that horses were sold for slaughter at auctions.



# Being an Option to Horse Owners



## A horse can have 15 or more owners in their lifetime

*Fact: Horse owners have fewer humane options than dogs and cat owners if they can no longer keep their horse.*

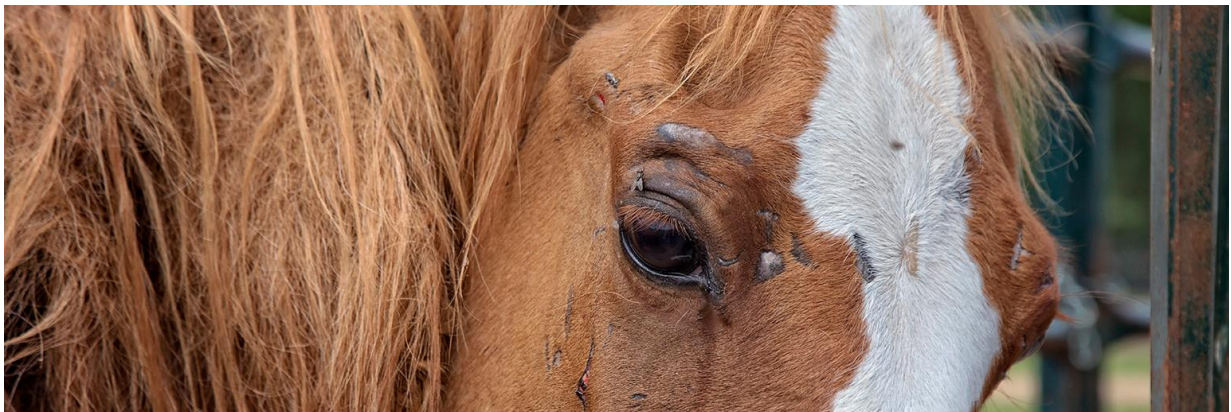
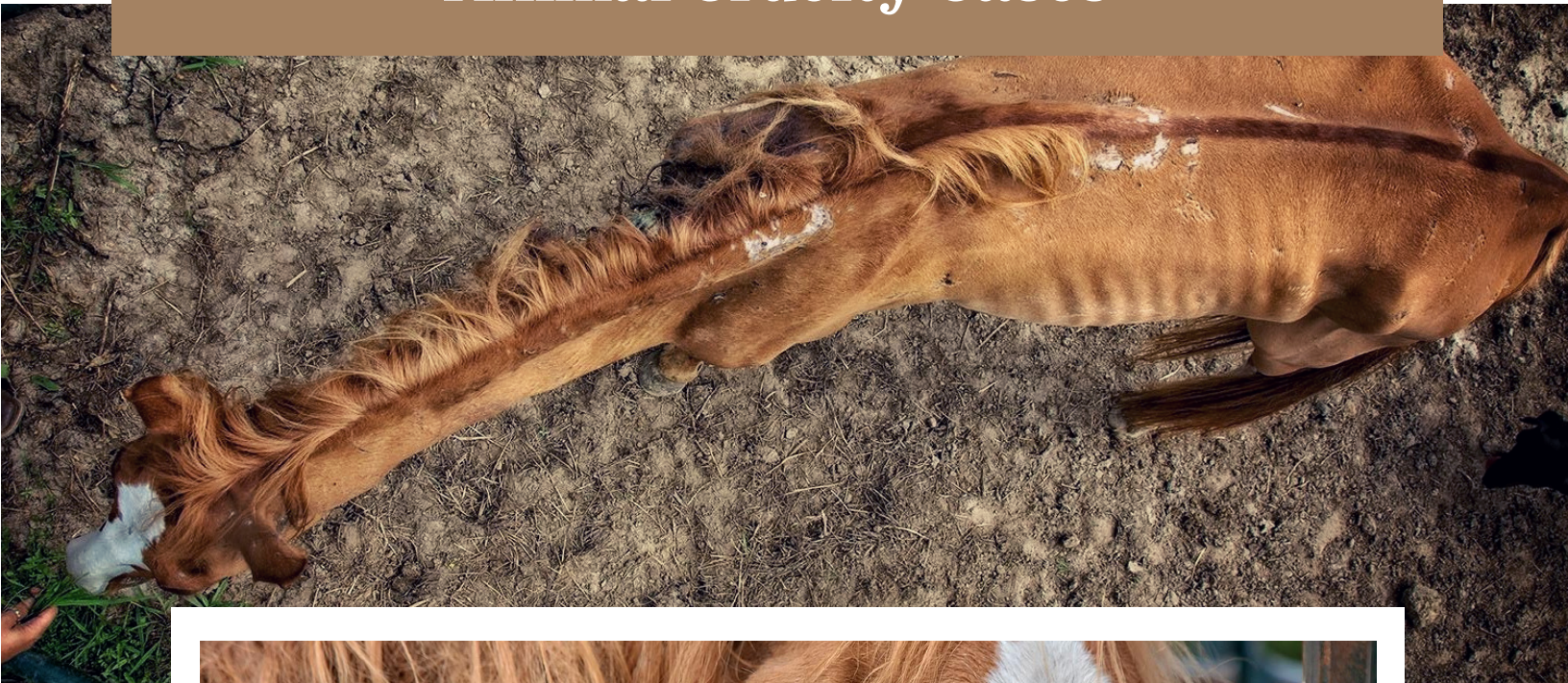
We are a Full Circle of Life Horse Shelter and will never turn a horse away. We receive horses from across the United States. Most horse rescues are full and turn horses away, many of those turned away will be sold for slaughter because there is no other option for them. Regardless of health status, age, temperament or training, Horse Plus Humane Society will accept any horse.

How many horses are surrendered by owners?

About 200 every year.



# Animal Cruelty Cases



## We assist law enforcement with horse cruelty cases

*Fact: Many times law enforcement is unable to help horses due to a lack of resources. If they seize the horse, where is the horse going to live during the court case?*

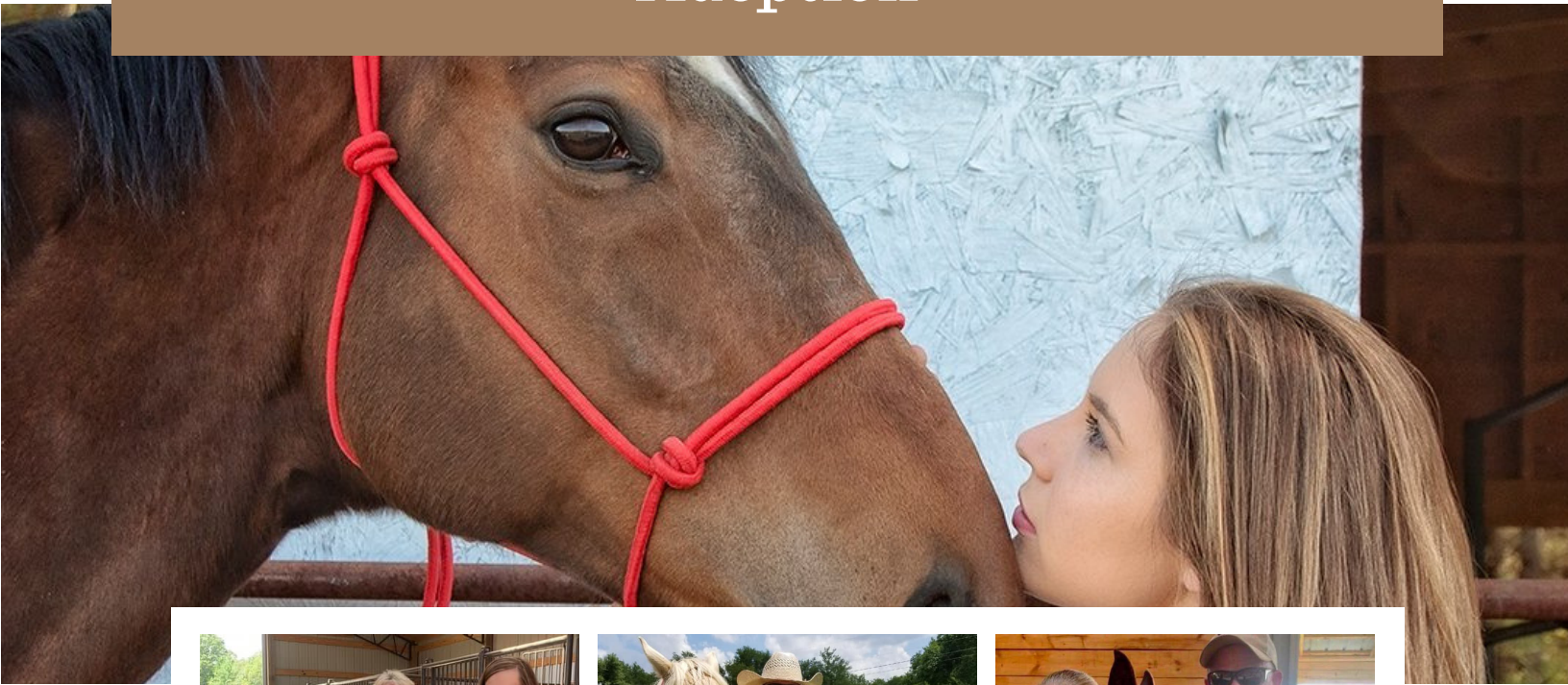
Many counties in rural Tennessee do not have the financial budget to rescue and shelter horses for cruelty cases. Our experienced rescue team will assist law enforcement with seizures involving large animals. Help with cruelty investigations, transporting seized animals, reporting, sheltering, and rehabilitation during the legal process is provided at no cost to law enforcement agencies.

How many seized horses do you care for?

30-50 every year.



# Adoption



We help hundreds of horses each year find loving homes

*Fact: Many people interested in adopting from a rescue are deterred from adopting an animal because the adoption process is too complicated & lengthy.*

Our goal is to make the adoption process as simple as possible for sheltered horses while ensuring each horse is adopted into a safe and loving home.

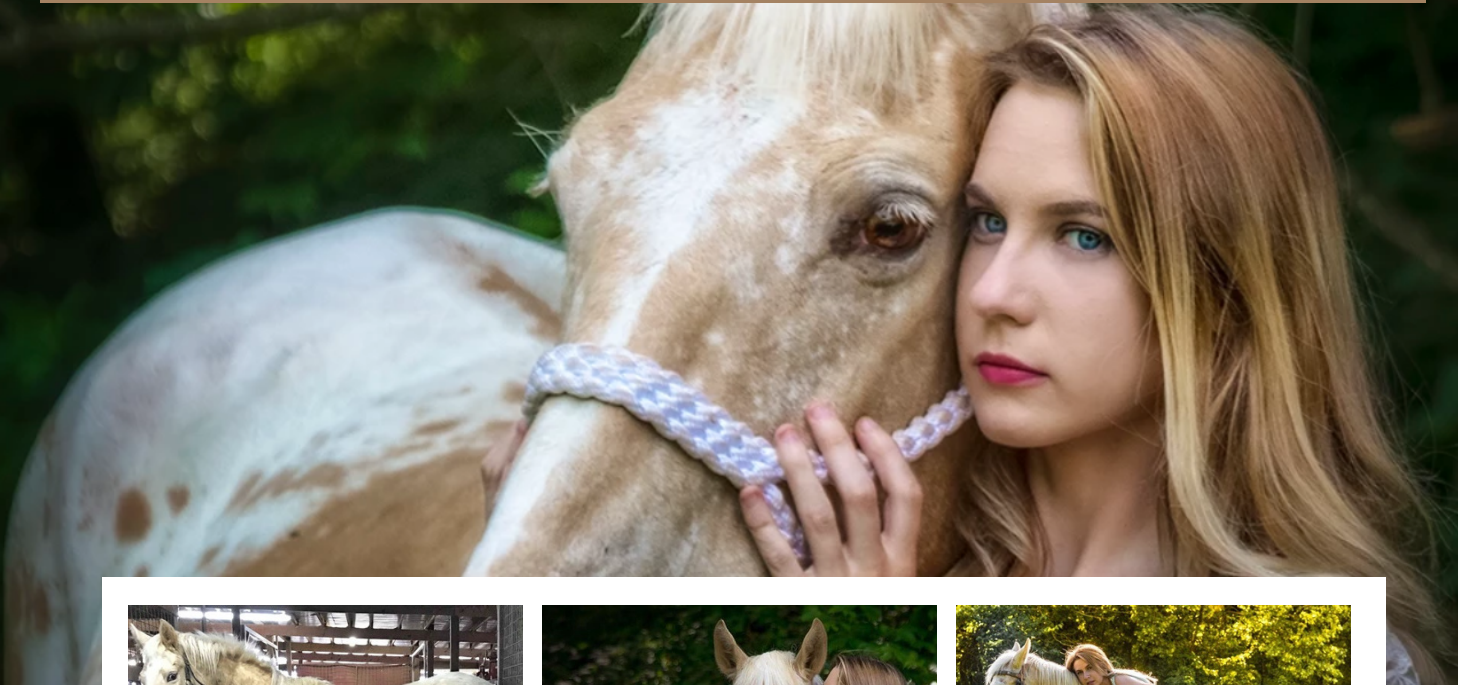
If for any reason owners must rehome an adopted horse, Horse Plus Humane Society will welcome that horse back at any time.

How many horses do you adopt out?

200 to 300 every year!



# Valentino's Adoption Story



## Valentino was waiting to load up on the slaughter truck

We rescued Valentino at an auction yard right before he was loaded onto a semi-truck and trailer for the long trip to Mexico for slaughter. At our shelter Valentino received medical care, quarantine and lots of love. Valentino was adopted by actress and model Payton Christian. Valentino has been in several modeling shoots with Payton and just loves all the attention.

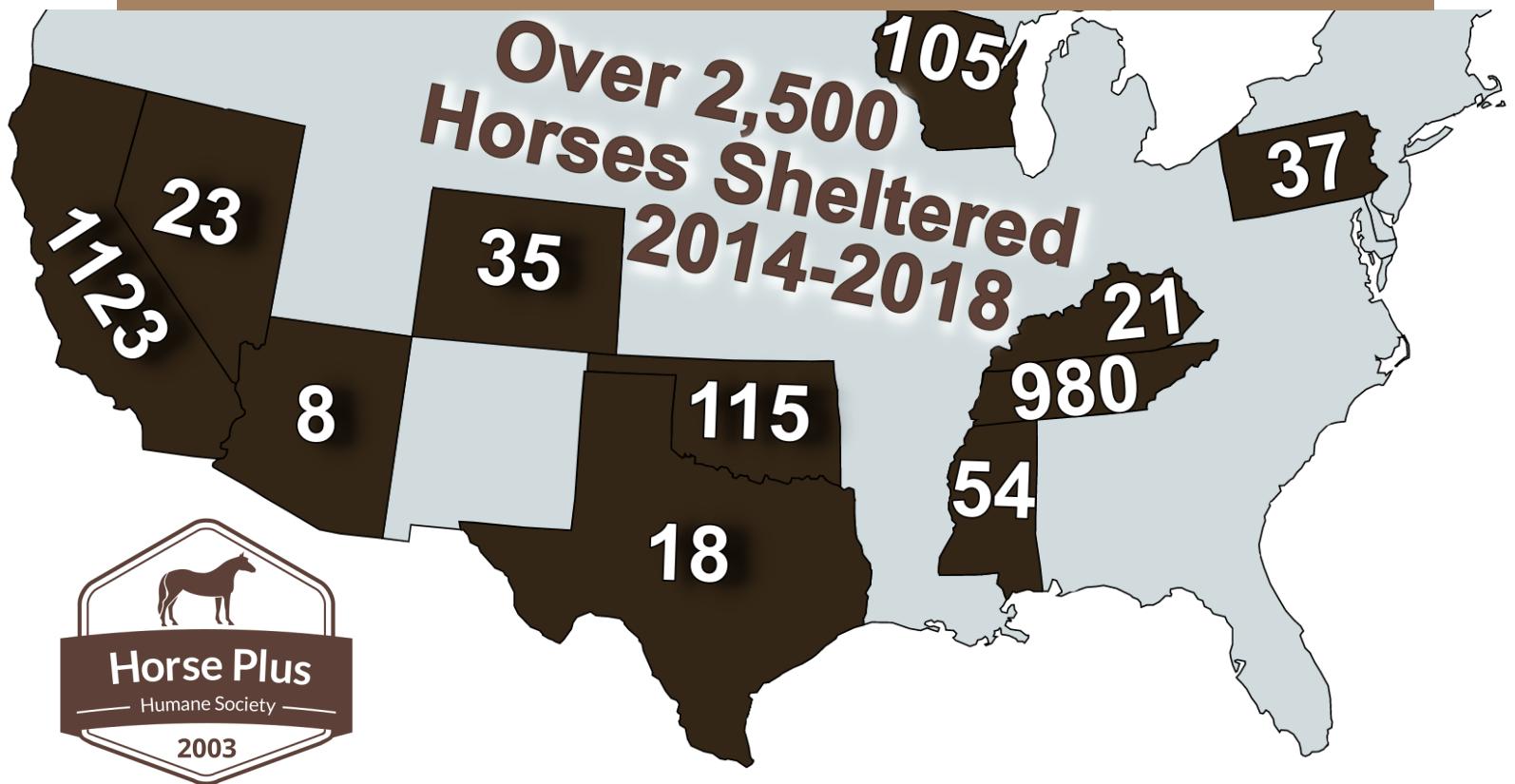
"Every day as I drive up my driveway Valentino meets me at my car window, lowers his head as if to say thank you. I smile, kiss his nose and look in his soft but happy, full of life eyes and say 'No, thank you for showing me what love and determination can accomplish.'" ~ Payton Christian

Where would Valentino be without us?

Slaughtered!



# Saving Horses Across the United States



## Over 6,000 Horses Rescued & Sheltered Since 2003

We rescue and shelter horses not only at our shelter facility in Hohenwald, TN but across the United States. Since 2003 we have rescued and sheltered over 6,000 horses, and nearly every year we rescue more horses than the year before. Between 2014 and 2018 we rescued and sheltered over 2,500 horses across the United States! Because of our national hoofprint serving horses across the United States we have adopted horses into loving homes in nearly every state, even Hawaii!

Our philosophy is to rescue as many horses as we can financially and responsibly shelter and care for.

We mentor other horse rescue organizations so they can help rescue more horses in their communities. Through our rescuing and mentorship programs we are able to help a larger number of horses across the nation. We help educate horse rescue directors with better fundraising skills, best practices in rescuing and sheltering horses, and shelter management. We are working to standardize horse sheltering practices and creating a movement of helping horses across the United States.

Have you ever adopted horses in Hawaii?

Yes!

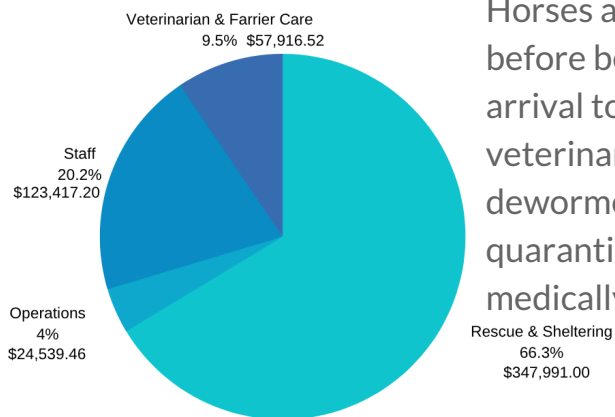


# Budget



## 75% of donations go directly to help the horses

In 2018 we received a total of \$553,864.18 in support, \$539,298.48 was from direct public donations. 4.4% of donations goes to operations. 20.2% goes to staff our organization with qualified and trained people from office staff to highly-skilled horse trainers who are able to help the hundreds of horses that come through our shelter every year. 9.5% of donations go to veterinarian and farrier care. We work with multiple veterinarians and farriers to care and treat the large number of horses we rescue each year. 66.3% of donations are used to rescue and care for the horses. In total, 75% of all donations going directly to helping the horses.



Horses are typically at our shelter for 90 days before being adopted into their loving home. Upon arrival to our facility each horse is evaluated by our veterinary team. Each horse is vaccinated, dewormed, microchipped and placed into quarantine. After the horse has been cleared medically it is evaluated by our horse trainers to determine what kind of adopter would best fit the horse.

Does my donation really help?

Yes, our average donation is only \$50!



# Our Facility



## Safe Stable Environment for Horses in Transition

We operate on over 50 acres in Middle Tennessee. Our shelter consists of almost 25,000 square feet covered operating space and 20 beautiful pasture pens.

- 2,400 sq. ft. Office and Animal Hospital with 1 stall for critical cases.
- 8,000 sq. ft. Training Barn with 3 stalls, round pen, holding pens, hay and equipment.
- 3,456 sq. ft. Intake Barn with 10 stalls, farrier station, medical room and feed room.
- 1,920 sq. ft. Maintenance Barn
- 3,840 sq. ft. Exercise Barn.
- 1,152 sq. ft. Quarantine Barn with veterinarian exam area and two stalls.
- 3,456 sq. ft. inclement weather barn.
- We have a variety of trailers and vehicles all used to provide highest quality care for the facility and horses.

Are you still building?

Yes, we are constantly improving!





**Horse Plus**  
— Humane Society —  
**2003**

The logo features a silhouette of a horse standing in profile, facing right, enclosed within a decorative, double-lined frame that resembles a stylized horse head or a shield. Below the silhouette is a dark, horizontal banner containing the text 'Horse Plus' in a large, bold, white sans-serif font. Underneath this banner, the words 'Humane Society' are written in a smaller, white sans-serif font, flanked by two short horizontal lines. At the bottom of the frame, the year '2003' is printed in a bold, white sans-serif font.

[www.HorsePlus.org](http://www.HorsePlus.org)

The horses seen in this booklet are all horses that we have rescued. Photographs by Kisa Kavass