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Dear Friend,

Thankful!

I do hope as this year draws to its close, you can reflect on many things to be thankful for! Most of all, I am thankful for you because of your support, the horses here have a home and are well fed and cared for! I'm also thankful that this year we were able to rescue 4 more gelded Mustangs! These four Mustangs had been rounded up on the Devil's Garden in the Modoc National Forest. They had been waiting in corals for months and were not candidates for adoption. The wild Horse Sanctuary stepped in to give these Mustangs the life they deserve, running free, and living in their natural habitat. We made this decision to not only save these horses from falling into the wrong hands, but to honor the Wild Horse Sanctuary's humble beginnings and the significance of the Devils Garden Horses. And we couldn't have done it without you.



(Please go to our website to learn more about One Ear, Modoc, Sage & Lava)

Four decades ago, I and my family contracted with Modoc National Forest to round up Mustangs, on the Devils Garden. Hundreds were gathered but 80 of them were not adopted. We refused to see those 80 horses be sent to certain death and made the decision to rescue all 80 of them. This was the beginning of what was to become the Wild Horse Sanctuary. Never did I dream that one day the Sanctuary would encompass 5,000 acres and allow hundreds of horses to live out their lives in the wild rather than be destroyed.

Thousands of wild horses continue to be rounded up from public land each year separated from their families, and often never receiving the care that they need in captivity, and even face being put into dangerous and life-threatening situations. That's why I am grateful for you! With out you we simply could not save these horses. And-I'm happy to let you know that ALL of the Devils Garden horses that were rounded up got adopted!

We are making every effort to neuter all the stallions that have come to us—yet it is a daunting task! Some of our horses choose to live “remotely” not coming to the feed grounds, where we can corral them for a surgery. So, at present we still have a few foals and youngsters available for adoption. Our goal is to have zero births on the Sanctuary which will enable us to rescue more of the older wild ones when they are taken from their rightful home on the public land. As we work toward that goal, we will do all we can to increase our grazing. The seeding I told you about last year did very well and added to the Spring grazing this year. As help and resources permit, we will continue to clear brush and cross fence and plant more seed!

Protecting and Preserving Freedom for America's Wild Horses

The work required to maintain the Sanctuary is ongoing. For a number of years the Sanctuary has partnered with The Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) which is a government agency that helps organizations like the Wile Horse Sanctuary keep working lands working while improving the quality of our air, water, soil, and habitat.

Other conservation work around the Sanctuary included the gentle renovation of our pond pasture. Efforts included measures to decrease fire danger, maximize water retention and make the pasture better for our horses and safer for our visitors. A never-ending project at the WHS is maintaining 14 miles of fencing on the Sanctuary's perimeter. Volunteers generously give their time to walk the fence and look for areas in need of repair to keep our horses safe. Maintaining safe fencing and the other projects mentioned above are made possible by your generous donations. And looking forward to 2020, we are excited to unveil our new, up-to-date Wild Horse Sanctuary website. Stay tuned for a spring reveal.

How sad I feel when I think of the atrocities that continue to plague the wild horses on the public lands. Yet, thanks to many caring people the number of rescued horses warms my heart. More reasons to be thankful for all the efforts and all the voices that have spoken in behalf of the horses; as well as, all who commit to caring for the adopted horses! The future for the Wild Horses on Bureau of Land Management (BLM) or other government land remains uncertain and even dire.

Let's continue to focus on what we can do to help the horses!

I'm hoping you have much to be thankful for this year and in the year to come.

Warmest wishes,



Dianne Nelson

Co-Founder

P.S. I will never be able to express the depth of my gratitude for your support! Literally every horse that we save is thanks to your kind and generous donation - whether its your time or resources. Please know how needed and appreciated you are. Thank you - with all my heart!

Wild Horse Sanctuary Contribution and Order Form

Yes, I want to help!

Enclosed is my check for:

- ☐ \$50 to feed one unsponsored horse for one month
- ☐ \$150 to feed one unsponsored horse for 3 months
- ☐ \$500 to feed one unsponsored horse for a full year
- ☐ \$75 for 1 mineral supplement tub
- ☐ \$55 for 1 dewormer block
- ☐ \$15ea. for calendar (includes S&H)

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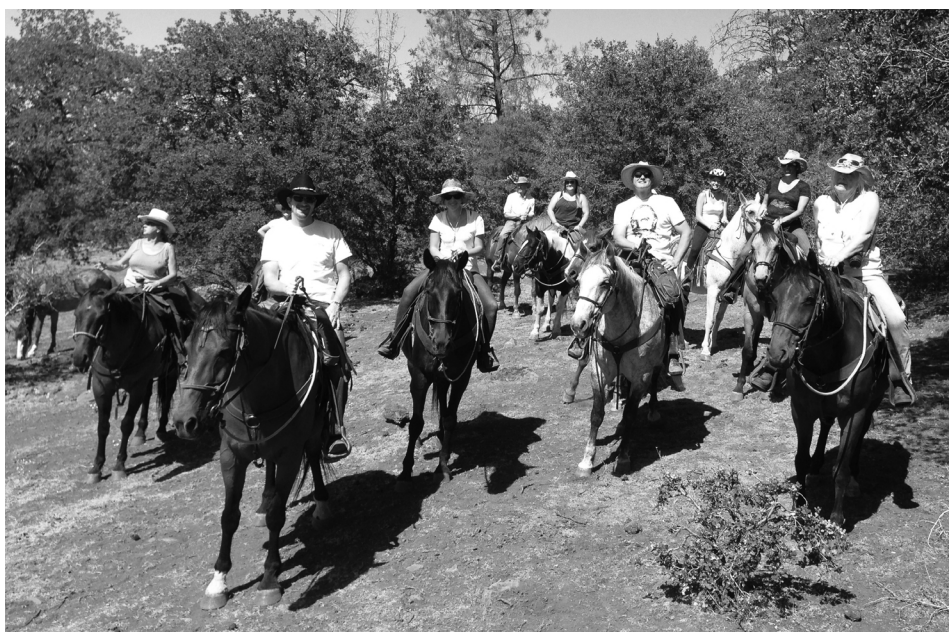
Whether you are a horse person, love outdoor projects, or like working on ranch projects, we would love to hear from you.

For over 40 years, the Wild Horse and Burro Sanctuary has worked to protect and preserve America's wild horses. We've been featured in many publications, but we generate much public awareness by offering overnight trail rides through our 5,000-acre sanctuary, and we couldn't do it without our dedicated volunteers.



Volunteers ensure our guests have a wonderful riding experience. We need: Trail guides (lead and backup): take guests on rides through beautiful scenery to see wild horses

and burros. Groom, saddle, and ride. Trail guides are required to learn the trails and the sanctuary's layout. Camp volunteers: guests eat and stay overnight at our camp. Volunteers ready the camp and prepare meals. Visitor Center volunteers: greet guests and provide tours of the property Wednesdays and Saturdays. Ranch projects: there is always work — brush and trail clearing, fence repair, building repair, tack maintenance, etc.

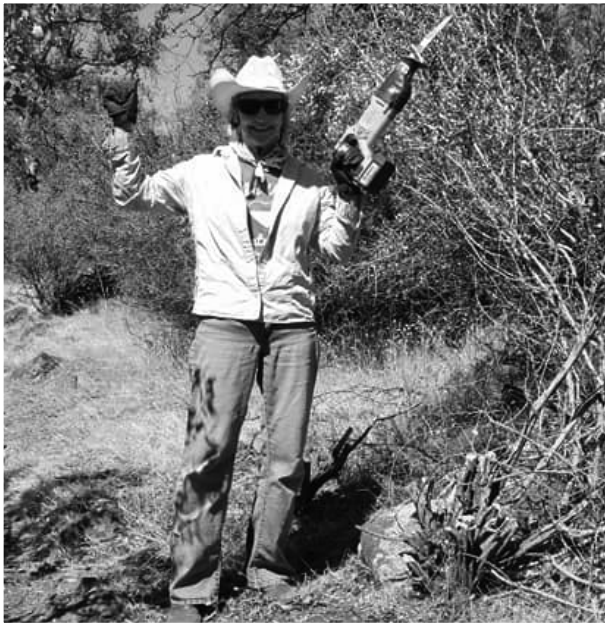


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We welcome short and long term commitments — many projects can be completed in a day. Our volunteers are from all over California. Please check our website, wildhorsesanctuary.org, for information on the sanctuary, and for specific questions please contact via email, whslizjuenke@gmail.com



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