PTHA'S Turning For Home

RACEHORSE RETIREMENT PROGRAM
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A Message From Turning For Home

It is our pleasure to present the 2015 Annual Report for the Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association's Turning for Home, Inc. Provided is a five-year overview that outlines Turning for Home's achievements and analyzes important statistical data that will directly impact your understanding of our commitment to our program and the racing industry.

We are proud that Turning for Home (TFH) has emerged as a leader in the rehabilitation, retraining and rehoming of retired racehorses. Replication is the highest form of flattery and we at TFH are most flattered that our program is being replicated nationally by racetracks and other retirement programs such as the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance. Most importantly TFH has developed a funding mechanism which allows our ex-racehorses to enter safe, loving homes that will meet their needs for the decades following their racing careers; thus ensuring our retired equine athletes the opportunity for a second career and a safe extended retirement.

The horse, whether used for sport, entertainment or work, has had a major impact on the expansion and development of America, and remains today an integral part of American life. Hearing the words "horse" and "slaughter" in the same sentence is repulsive to most Americans. So it is that TFH has taken a proactive approach to prevent inhumane slaughter while protecting and insuring the health and safety of our horses and the preservation of our racing industry, an industry which makes a substantial contribution to higher employment and increased tax revenue to both state and local economies.

Through the foresight of the Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association (PTHA), guided by President Salvatore M. DeBunda, Esq. and Executive Director Michael P. Ballezzi, Esq., the horses of Parx Racing have been saved from the jeopardy of an uncertain retirement. TFH has been recognized as the flagship retirement program across the nation due to its ability to provide a dignified safe landing for every eligible horse at Parx Racing. Over the past eight years, owners and trainers have supported our program, which received an Award of Merit from the Thoroughbred Charities of America in 2015.

Vital to the success of TFH is the funding provided by our generous donors: Parx horse owners and trainers, Parx Racing, Inc., Parx Racing's Jockey Colony, the Pennsylvania Horse Breeders Association (PHBA), and the committed support of the PTHA Board of Directors. And last but not least, the Partner Farm managers, veterinarians, volunteers and adopters who open their barns to our horses and make TFH a safe haven for all our retirees.

We should all be proud of the impact we are making in the world of Thoroughbred Aftercare and to the racing industry as well. Thank you for opening your hearts and supporting the PTHA's Turning for Home.

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From racehorse to riding horse . . .

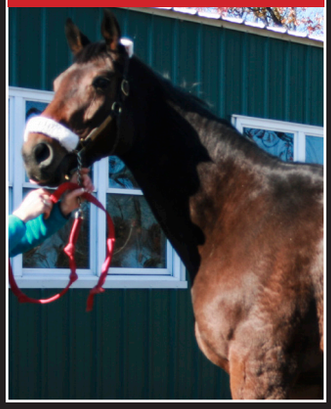
Many TFH horses have competed against each other during their racing careers, including Raven's Tale, Sunnyinseabrook and Classic Stance. These three horses now have second careers with loving adopters after retiring from racing and passing through the TFH program.



Raven's Tale



Sunnyinseabrook



Classic Stance



Introduction

I. Introduction

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b. Goals

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"Our Thoroughbreds are equine athletes who throughout their racing careers have provided an exciting sport for thousands of fans as well as employment opportunities for many thousands more; all of which serve as a major economic driver advancing the agricultural community. Due to their substantial social and economic contributions benefitting our state and local communities, we owe our retired racehorses the opportunity of a new career and purpose after they leave the sport of horse racing. Turning for Home provides the perfect pathway for the start of their new equine careers."

-Michael P. Ballezzi, Esq., PTHA Executive Director

Mission

Our mission is to provide an alternative to auction and slaughter for Parx Racing's Thoroughbred racehorses when their careers have ended by placing them with approved adoption organizations that will work to find them new homes and careers.

In 2007, federal legislation was enacted that resulted in the closure of all equine slaughterhouses in the United States. Unfortunately, this did not reduce the number of horses that were sent to slaughter; instead, these ill-fated horses were shipped via double-decker stock trailers to slaughterhouse holding pens in Canada and Mexico. In 2008 alone, 134,059 American horses were exported for slaughter.

Many of these horses were Thoroughbreds who had been carefully raised and broke to saddle, raced on American tracks, fed high quality diets, and treated like potential Triple Crown winners. While some were able to touch their owner's heart and safely retired with dignity, others were discarded through livestock auctions or unknowingly given away to irresponsible horse dealers, causing an outcry from the media.

The horsemen at Parx Racing responded to the unacceptable treatment of retired Thoroughbreds through the Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association, Inc. (PTHA) which founded Turning for Home, Inc. (TFH), the first "year-round" racetrack equine retirement program.

In May of 2008 TFH welcomed its first horse, Maneuverable, an eight-year-old son of Pleasant Colony trained by then-PTHA President Donald Reeder and owned by Kamikaze Stable. The bay gelding had amassed a career record of 39-3-4-4 with earnings of $71,240 and retired from racing with a slight injury to a hind leg. Maneuverable was renamed "Honest Abe" and adopted by a local veterinarian as a foxhunter. Maneuverable was the first of 1,788 retiring Parx Racing-based horses who was given the opportunity to have a second career after racing through the TFH program *(Fig. 1)*.

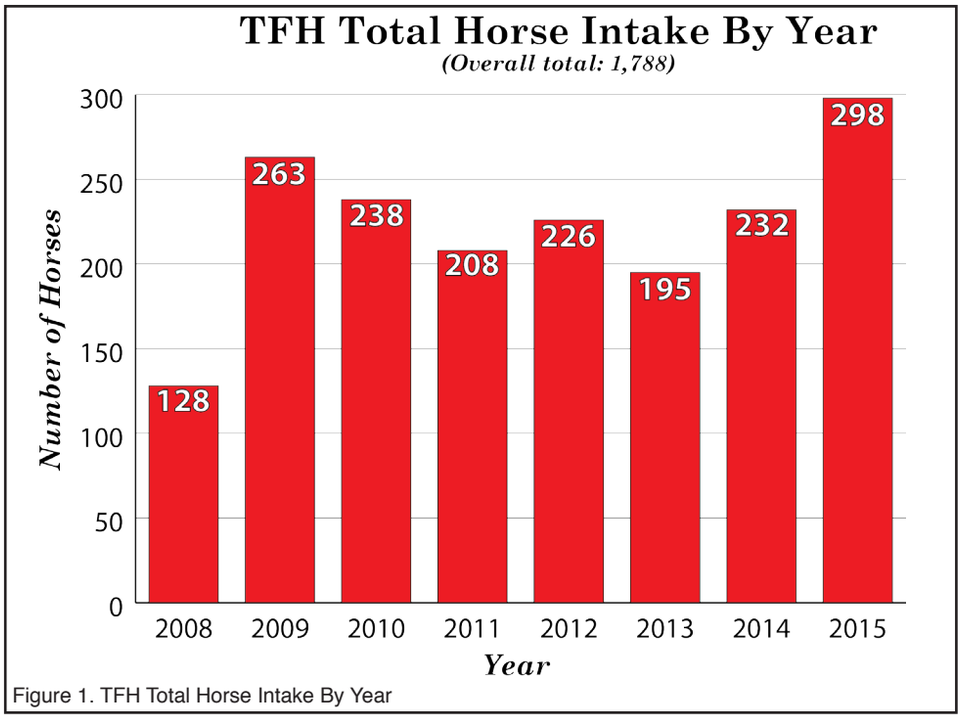


Figure 1. TFH Total Horse Intake By Year

Goals

Provide all horsemen with a better alternative to sending their horses to slaughter.
Accept every eligible horse into the program, regardless of physical condition.
Provide a “no-fee policy” for horsemen placing an eligible horse into the program.
Maintain a program that is fully self-sustaining and capable of supporting itself without the need to rely on outside funding.
Keep the program fiscally responsible, with the majority of funds dedicated to the care of program horses.
Place each horse with an approved facility that will provide the best possible aftercare.
Provide each horse with the best opportunity for a second career through rehabilitation, retraining & rehoming.
Maintain a program that will provide positive public relations for the horse racing industry.
Promote an industry-wide climate for responsible racehorse retirement.
Support advancements in equine sports medicine through the study and follow-up of the program’s retiring athletes and promote industry integrity.

Figure 2. TFH Goals

Historical Perspective

Thoroughbred aftercare initiatives began thirty years ago with the creation of the Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation (TRF). Based in New York with many satellite farms throughout the country, it provides sanctuary for a herd of approximately 1,000 horses. The TRF initiated a solution for responsible owners who could apply to have their valued racehorses permanently retired, though it came with a fee (currently $6 per day for sanctuary horses and $2,500 for adoptable horses) and a long waiting list due to a limited herd size. The TRF is still active, but with an operating budget of over $3 million per year and an average cost per horse in excess of $3,000, is not an affordable option for most owners.

The trend from permanently retiring racehorses to repurposing them for a second career began in 1992 when a Standardbred harness driver's wife named Dot Morgan formed New Vocations. With carefully screened adoptions and actual tracking of those adopted horses, the organization became one of the first real retraining programs. Today, New Vocations can carry 80-100 former racehorses in varying stages of rehabilitation and retraining. However, in 2014, their budget to adopt out approximately 400 horses exceeded $2 million.

By 1997, organizations such as The Communication Alliance to Network Thoroughbred Ex-Racehorses (CANTER) appeared, founded by a concerned horsewoman. CANTER lists horses that are for sale on the racetrack, bringing together buyers with the owner or trainer who then negotiates the sale. Listing is successful in saving racehorses after retirement but the program is selective and fees can be as high as $5,000.

Breeders such as Frank Stronach have in-house programs for their homebreds. Stronach's Adena Springs Farm was perfectly set up for transitioning horses into second careers, with a professional staff capable of caring for foals, broodmares and stallions as well as breaking yearlings for the racetrack. Stronach's program has successfully retired over 1,000 horses since its inception ten years ago.

Despite the efforts of philanthrophic owners starting regional programs, problems still existed for the racing industry. The news media continued to carry horrific stories of former Thoroughbred racehorses going to slaughter. Horsemen realized that in order for horse racing to survive, they needed to find a solution to protect and care for their retired horses.

The horsemen of Finger Lakes Racetrack

Historical Timeline of Racehorse Retirement Organizations

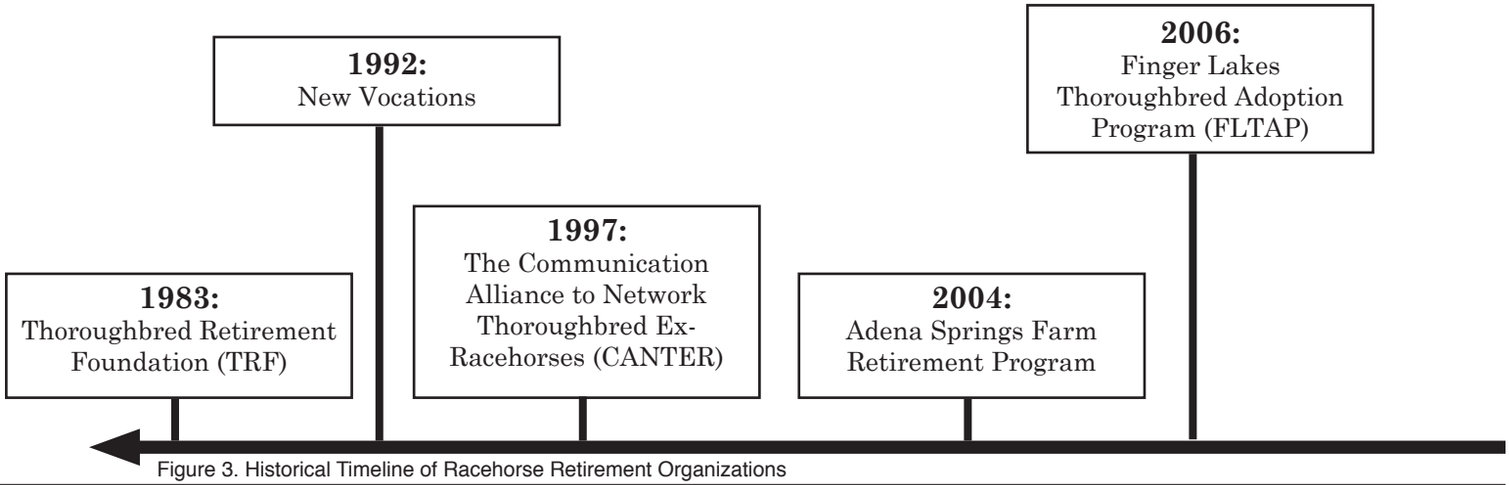


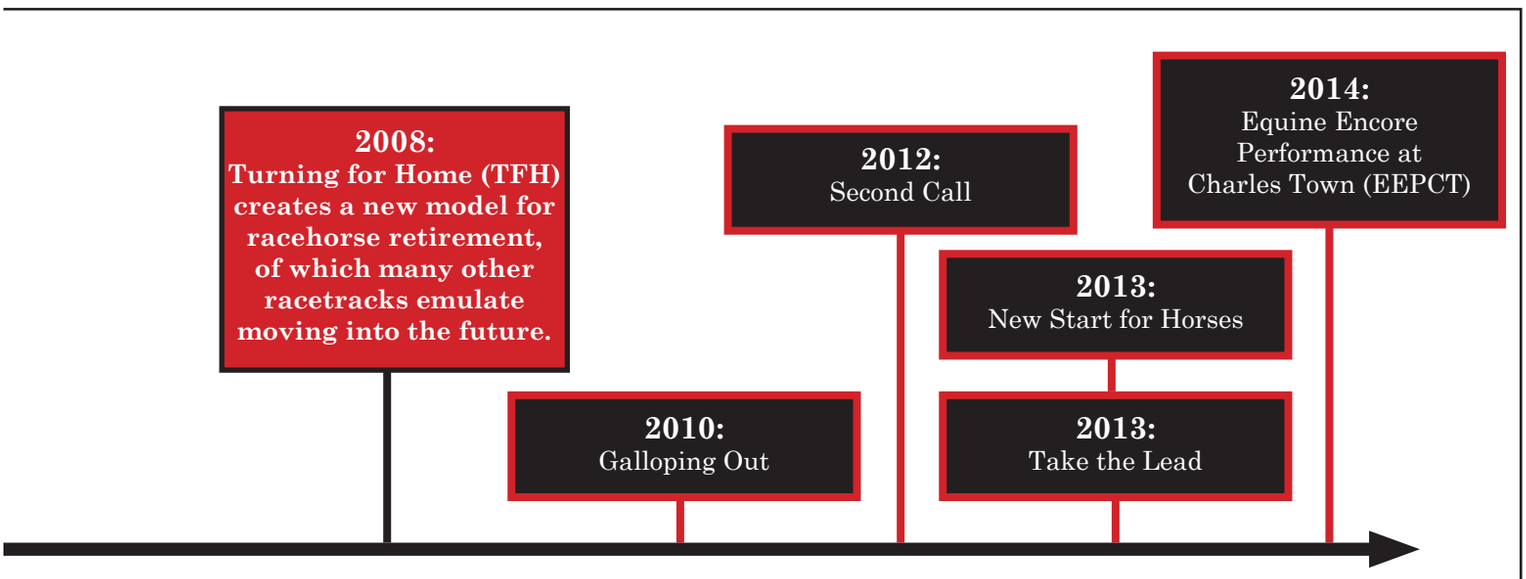
Figure 3. Historical Timeline of Racehorse Retirement Organizations

started the first on-track adoption facility in 2006. The Finger Lakes Thoroughbred Adoption Program (FLTAP) stables sixteen horses and offers rehabilitation and retraining programs for the horses that were overlooked by the listing affiliates. FLTAP has placed over 400 horses in ten years of operation.

In 2008, Turning for Home, Inc. (TFH) was created through the foresight of the Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association (PTHA), which revolutionized the model for racehorse retirement *(Fig. 3)*. Responding to the need for a better system that addressed an uncertain future for the retiring equine population, the PTHA rallied racehorse owners to support a voluntary purse deduction of $10 per horse, per start at Parx Racing. It was the first on-track retirement program at a year-round racetrack that was 100% self-funded, accepted all eligible horses regardless of physical condition, and did not charge owners any mandatory fees. This allowed the horsemen of Parx Racing to "take care of their own" retiring racehorses.

Horses donated to TFH are efficiently placed with carefully chosen Partner Farms, along with a stipend for their rehabilitation, retraining and rehoming. Sending placement funds with each horse rather than paying monthly board or building a farm and maintaining a dedicated staff allows TFH to more effectively utilize its annual funding. In 2015 TFH was able to assist 298 horses with an average cost per horse of $1,592.02 and an annual budget of approximately $400,000. To date, TFH has assisted in the dignified, safe retirement and rehoming of nearly 1,800 horses in its eight years of operation. Not only is the program the first of its kind, it has become the model program for the racing industry.

The Illinois Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association's Galloping Out, Second Call of Monmouth Park in New Jersey, Hollywood Casino at Penn National Race Course's New Start for Horses, and Equine Encore Performance at Charles Town (EEPCT) all contacted TFH for consultation when creating their on-track retirement programs. Their organizations follow the theory of rehabilitation and retraining via sending placement monies to approved farms. The Jockey Club, The Grayson Research Foundation, the New York Racing Association, and Thoroughbred Charities of America have all commended Turning for Home for its success, and the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance has noted that this model was "light years ahead" of other retirement initiatives.



Two more Turning for Home graduates . . .

Salem Witch and Baby Gracie twice competed against each other at Parx Racing, including this day on October 14, 2014. Each was soon responsibly retired by their connections through Turning for Home and they are now enjoying lives of luxury in Maryland and Florida.



Salem Witch



Baby Gracie



Operations

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"Turning for Home was created for the horses of Parx to safely retire from racing. It is the first racetrack-based retirement program solely supported through the horsemen of Parx, with the support of the PTHA, racetrack management, the Pennsylvania Horse Breeders Association and the Parx Jockey Colony. For the horses and horsemen who benefit the most from our program, the true reward comes with every successful adoption."

-Danielle Montgomery, TFH Program Administrator

Operations Preview

GOVERNANCE

Turning for Home, Inc. (TFH) was established as a wholly owned subsidiary of the Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association (PTHA) on May 16, 2008 and shares a common Board of Directors that is elected by PTHA members every three years. Turning for Home is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation that can accept tax-deductible donations under Section 107 of the Internal Revenue Code.

LOCATION

Parx Racing is located just outside of Philadelphia in Bensalem, Pennsylvania. The TFH office is centrally located within the Administration Building at Parx Racing. It is easily accessible for horsemen who already frequent the Racing Office, PTHA Offices, HPA Store and Pennsylvania Racing Commission office. The intake process is streamlined so as not to deter an owner from placing a horse into the program when needed.

VISIBILITY

The TFH Program Director makes daily morning rounds and is easily visible checking on current horses, taking photos, arranging veterinary evaluations, and shipping horses to Partner Farms. Intake forms are readily available outside of the TFH office door and in the PTHA office. Paperwork can be dropped off in the office, which is open from 8:00 am - 4:00 pm five days a week or can be left in the main PTHA office as well. TFH advertises for horsemen in the Parx Racing condition books and racing programs and keeps a website with information about eligibility and donation procedures as well as available horses and success stories at www.turningforhome.org.

ELIGIBILITY

A horse must have been continuously stabled on the grounds of Parx Racing for at least 90 days prior to the time of application into TFH, or must have raced at Parx Racing in the previous thirty days with a trainer who is based at Parx Racing for at least six months of the year. Horses stabled at state-approved training farms may be eligible for TFH if they raced at Parx Racing within the previous thirty days from application into TFH and must have raced over 50% of their races at Parx Racing over the previous 365 calendar days.

PAPERWORK

The owner or authorized agent must fill out an Intake Form located in the PTHA office or outside of the TFH office. The Jockey Club's Sold As Retired From Racing Form should be completed and notarized, then submitted along with the horse's official Foal Papers, a current negative Coggins test and any prior veterinary test results. Owners who are not in the area and do not have an authorized agent at Parx Racing may return the forms via e-mail, fax, or standard U.S. mail. TFH will take conformation photos of the horse in order to finish the Sold As Retired From Racing paperwork for removal from The Jockey Club's racing registry.

VETERINARY EVALUATION

Each TFH horse is individually evaluated by a program veterinarian, who will also consult with the trainer's treating veterinarian. Any recommended tests such as ultrasounds or radiographs will be completed prior to the horse leaving the racetrack. Due to the presence of TFH on the grounds of Parx Racing, TFH has the unique ability to quickly schedule any emergency veterinary procedures. This enables some horses that otherwise might not have had a chance for a full recovery to go on to a second career with little or even no limitations.

WAITING LIST

TFH maintains a Waiting List of approximately three weeks on a “first come, first served basis”. All horses while on the Waiting List must be cared for by the current connections until the horse is picked up by TFH, at which time ownership, liability and risk of loss passes to TFH. Surgical horses move to the front of the Waiting List for transport to a carefully chosen veterinary hospital and rehabilitation farm.

PLACEMENT

Horses are assigned by TFH’s Program Administrator either to go to surgery, a rehabilitation farm or directly to a Partner Farm based on suitability and availability. Partner Farms provide specialized care and experience, and TFH diligently allocates horses so that all of the Partner Farms are able to succeed. Success for the program depends on the strategic placement of horses and the stringent adoption policies that protect them through their lives.

REHABILITATION

All Partner Farms are responsible for varying degrees of rehabilitation, which range from post-surgical care to simply a month of downtime before the retraining process begins. Some farms specialize in the rehabilitation of racehorse injuries, and without their support there would be unnecessary strain on the farms who provide retraining and placement. The welfare of the horse is always a top priority.

ADOPTIONS

Each Partner Farm conducts a stringent adoption approval process using TFH applications that the individual farm can customize as needed. Contracts are uploaded to a central Basecamp File for tracking and monitoring. All potential adopters must provide multiple references and must also sign a No Auction/Right of First Refusal agreement upon final adoption.

HUMANE EUTHANASIA POLICY

The difficult decision to humanely euthanize, or induce a painless death, should never be made without careful consideration. Turning for Home assists owners and trainers with doing what is right for their animal by evaluating the horse both clinically with the track veterinarian and the TFH veterinarian and through consultations with leading equine surgeons. If all professionals are in agreement, the horse is euthanized at the track. There are times when a clear decision cannot be made, at which time the horse will be shipped to an available clinic, Partner Farm or rehabilitation farm for 60-90 days before being re-evaluated. Euthanasia is a decision that cannot be undone, so the horse is always offered the benefit of the doubt if there is a chance he can be comfortable and find a safe home.

For further visualization, please view the Turning for Home Operations Flow Chart illustration on the following pages.

Turning For Home Operations Flow Chart

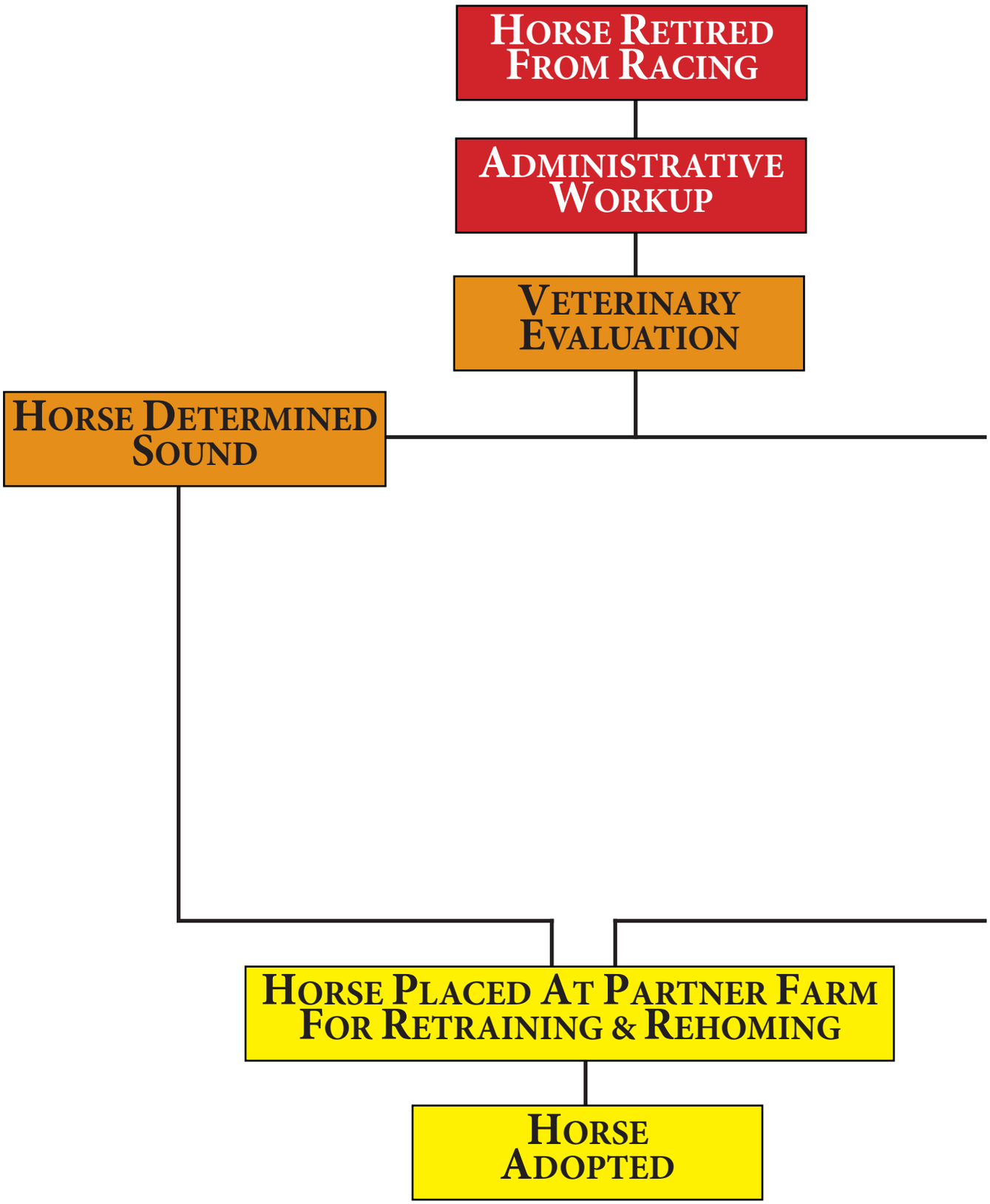
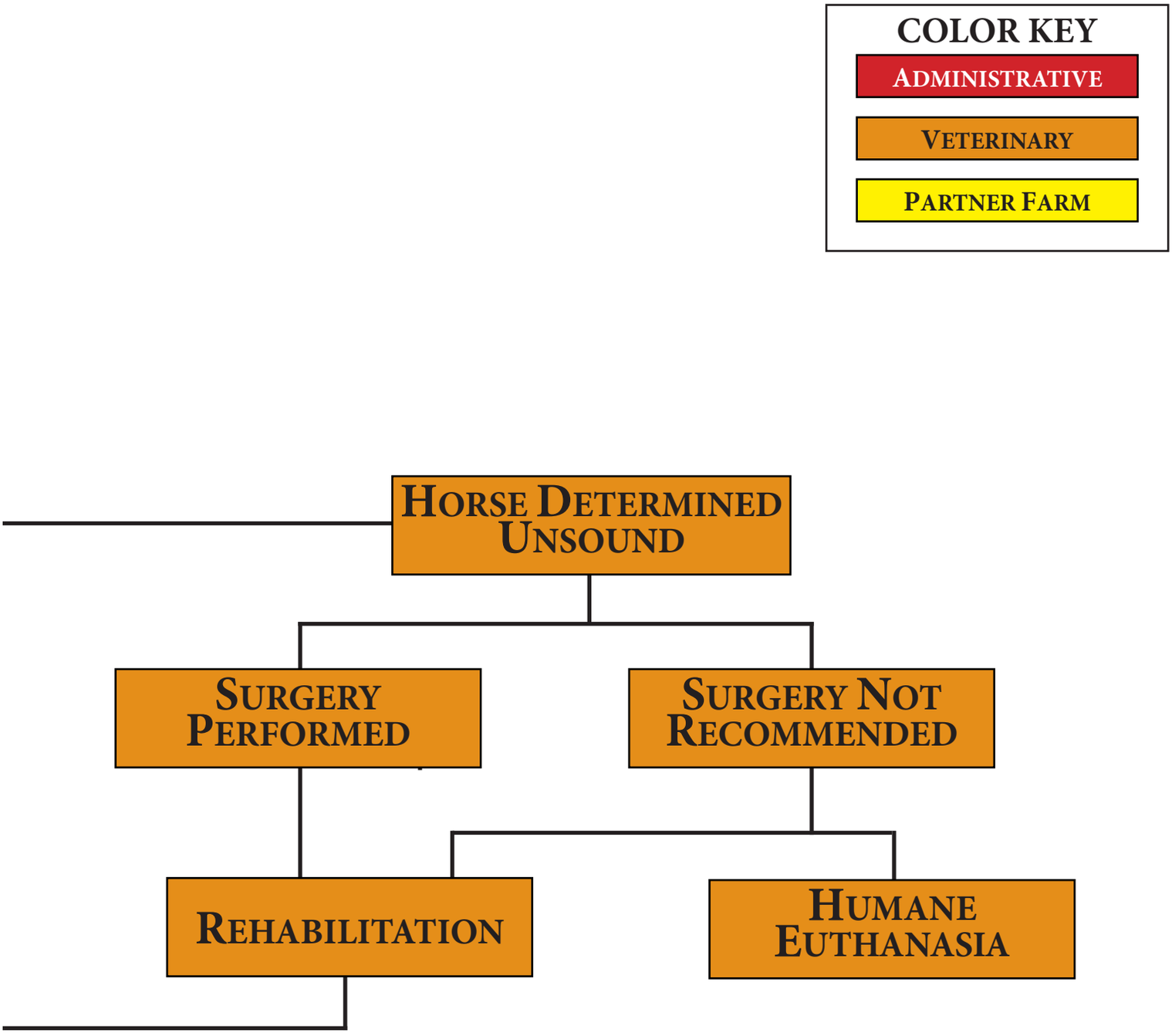


Figure 4. TFH Operations Flow Chart


COLOR KEY
ADMINISTRATIVE
VETERINARY
PARTNER FARM
HORSE DETERMINED UNSOUND
SURGERY PERFORMED
SURGERY NOT RECOMMENDED
REHABILITATION
HUMANE EUTHANASIA

Governance

The Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association, Inc. (PTHA), is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation that represents the horsemen and women who race at Parx Racing in Bensalem, Pennsylvania. The PTHA is organized and functions pursuant to approved by-laws of the Association that provide for an elected President and Board of Directors *(Fig. 5)*. A contract between Parx Racing management and the PTHA referred to as "The Live Racing Agreement" authorizes the PTHA to negotiate for purses, track safety, live racing schedule, healthcare and pensions and for legislation which benefits the horsemen at Parx Racing.

The PTHA offices are located on the backside of Parx Racing where 33 barns house nearly 1,400 Thoroughbreds. The Horsemen's Purchasing Association, Inc. (HPA), and Turning for Home, Inc. (TFH), two wholly-owned subsidiaries of the PTHA were established to benefit the needs of the horsemen and are located and operated adjacent to the PTHA offices.

Founded in 1995, the HPA is a full service feed and supply company that provides bedding, feed, equipment, supplements and supplies for horsemen racing at Parx. The HPA's promise to horsemen to sell "quality products at discount prices" has saved horsemen millions of dollars over the last twenty years.

In 2008, the PTHA advanced the need for a voluntary program that would be able to provide member horsemen with a safe and humane outlet for their retiring racehorses. With the support and generosity of the PTHA Board of Directors, the PTHA established Turning for Home, Inc. (TFH), the model racehorse retirement program that serves to bridge the gap between the owners and trainers, and the farms willing and able to retrain and rehome Parx retirees.

Turning for Home was incorporated in May of 2008. The program is granted tax-exempt status under the Pennsylvania Nonprofit Corporation Law of 1972 and is recognized as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization by the Internal Revenue Service. Management and office space are shared with the PTHA inside the Administration Building on the Parx Racing backside. Records are maintained with the PTHA for each horse, with date of intake to date of transfer, destination, veterinary records and financial statements. Donation solicitation and daily management is recorded by the Program Administrator and overseen by the Executive Director.

The PTHA and TFH share a common Board of Directors, which consist of five owners and five trainers chosen by general membership election every three years. As knowledgeable horsemen who regularly donate horses and funds to the TFH program, the Board has substantial experience and relevant expertise within the Thoroughbred Industry. TFH benefits from the feedback, fundraising efforts and networking opportunities that the Board provides thanks to their strong personal commitment to the mission.

All eligible horses are sent out to farms according to the waiting list and status of veterinary evaluations. TFH is independently audited each year and provides budget review and monthly reports to the Board of Directors. Checks are signed by the Executive Director and accounts are reconciled by the Controller for compliance.

The PTHA not only provides free office space; it also contributes advertising and marketing support through its website and the expertise of the PTHA Marketing Director. Dedicated volunteers also allow the program to host merchandise tables and run the necessary fundraising and promotional activities. The TFH Program Administrator is the only paid employee; thus, the program depends heavily on the help of the Board of Directors, the horsemen and its volunteers to efficiently meet placement, education and publicity objectives.

PTHA Organization Flow Chart

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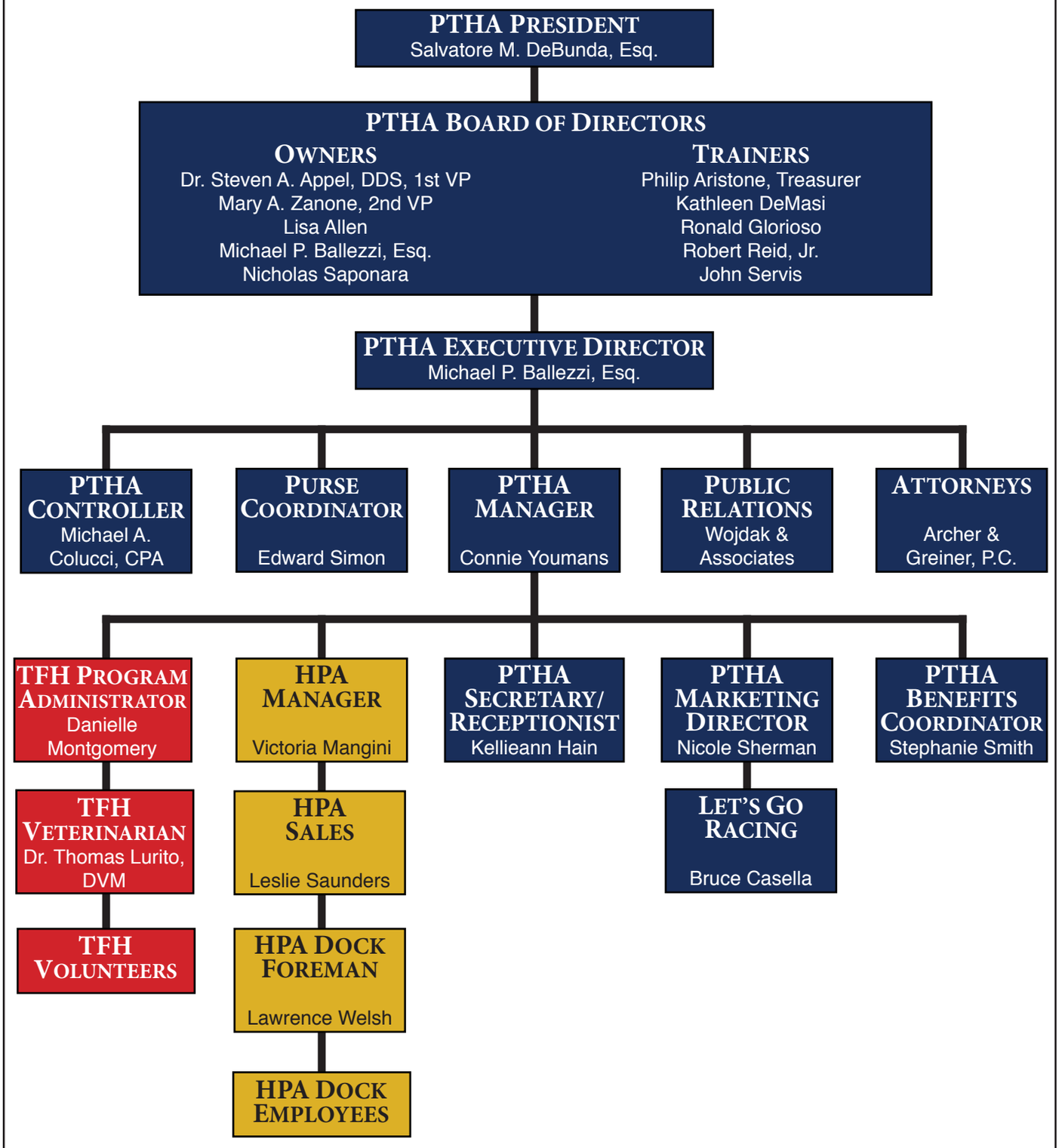


Figure 5. PTHA Organization Flow Chart

Strategy

There is a common perception that retired racehorses return to the pastures of their birth. Unfortunately only approximately 2% of retiring horses each year actually have sufficient commercial value to have such a fortuitous retirement (generally horses that earn over $300,000, *Fig. 6*). The balance must struggle to find a safe haven.

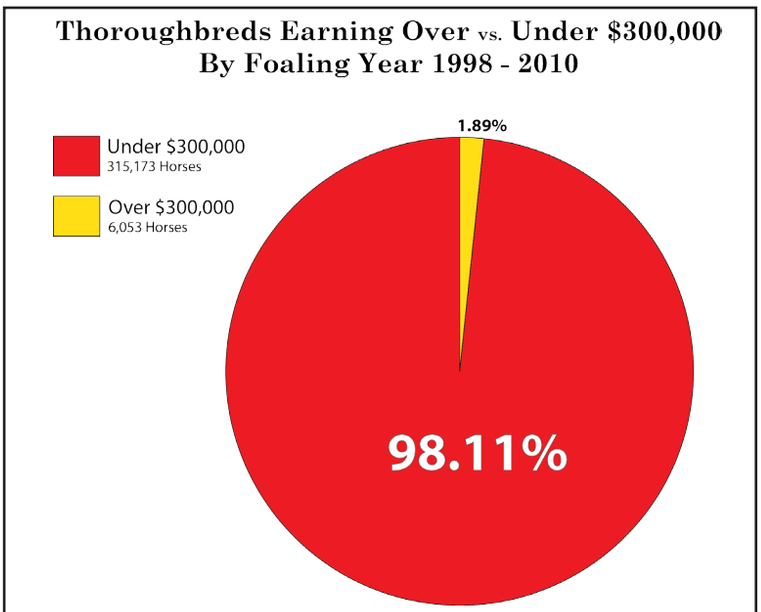


Figure 6. Thoroughbreds Earning Over vs. Under $300,000

The reason of course is the high cost of maintaining a horse in retirement. The bare minimum to pasture board is $350 per month with blacksmith and veterinarian care extra. Reasonably the cost to maintain a retired racehorse during its expected lifetime is in excess of $100,000. It is not practical for owners to provide lifetime care for each of their horses and meet expenses. Fortunately, there is a demand for former Thoroughbred racehorses as sport-horses. Flashy show prospects are routinely cherry-picked from the backside, retiring to the safety of a show barn. Unfortunately, the injured or less desirable are left behind as are the cheaper horses who race at the lower level claiming ranks. These are the horses in imminent danger of being sold for slaughter.

Turning for Home's strategy is to provide horse owners the opportunity to contribute financially to the aftercare of their retired horses. Each horse owner at Parx is assessed a fee of $10 per start payable to TFH for the rehabilitation, retraining and rehoming of retired racehorses. This revolutionary owner-supported retirement program allows TFH to assist more horses than other organizations on a yearly basis *(Fig. 7)*. The program is able to take every eligible horse and transition them into adoptive homes, keeping the average placement cost down to approximately $1,500 per horse, in contrast to the expensive options for permanent retirement by sanctuary programs which often fill up quickly and are costly to run.

Owner support allows the program to be self-funding and self-sustaining. The program remains solvent because it does not maintain its own farm or personnel to care for these retiring horses. Many other programs have met their downfall due to the costs of running their own farms or by paying monthly board at farms they did not own. TFH instead makes grants to existing organizations that have shown themselves to be successful in rehabilitating, retraining and rehoming retired racehorses. By providing a one-time stipend along with veterinary support, TFH is able to help the Partner Farms stay successful while they do the necessary work that protects the horses. This incentive fee gives the farm a head start in providing care for the initial lay-up, but prompts the farm to push for completed adoptions in a timely manner. Donors can appreciate that 86% of overall funding is spent directly on the immediate care of their horses.

Even with the stipends and aggressive promotion of adoption efforts, farms need help to succeed. This is done through the strategic placement of the big, sound horses adopters look for that can be adopted out for a higher fee, which can in turn help support the horses

that are in need of more time and care before adoption. Allowing the farms to set and keep the adoption fees encourages them to put in time and training and keeps them coming back for more.

TFH continually reviews each Partner Farm's operational effectiveness and expenditure of funds. There is constant communication between the Program Administrator, Marketing Director, Partner Farm managers and veterinarians as the horse transitions from racetrack to adoptive home. There are scheduled and unscheduled visits and updates as well as check-ins with adopters in order to make sure the program is effective and protective of its horses.

Retirement Programs by Average Yearly Number of Horses Assisted

Organization	Years in Operation	Avg. # of Horses / Year
Turning for Home, Inc. *(Parx Racing, PA)*	7	255.43
New Vocations *(Nationwide)*	24	250.00
Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation *(Nationwide)*	33	121.21
New Start for Horses *(Penn National, PA)*	2	118.50
Adena Springs *(Kentucky, Ontario)*	12	83.33
Finger Lakes Thoroughbred Adoption Program *(Finger Lakes Racetrack, NY)*	10	40.00
Galloping Out *(Illinois)*	5	10.00
Akindale Thoroughbred Rescue *(New York)*	10	10.00
Second Call *(New Jersey)*	3	7.33

Figure 7. Retirement programs by Avg. Yearly Number of Horses Assisted

Aside from providing a safe, affordable outlet where owners can retire their horses, there is additional value for them. The waiting list is normally kept under three weeks, with consideration that an owner is paying a day rate for each additional day in a trainer's care. In 2015, the average length of time on the waiting list was just twelve days. Veterinary evaluations take place right in the barns, offering quicker service and full disclosure. Proper paperwork to transfer the horse and make sure he is officially retired with the Jockey Club is taken care of right in the office along with notary and recording services. Until the time the horse leaves the track, an owner can decide to take the horse home, sell to another party or leave the horse in the program. The program offers experienced care and tracking so owners are therefore able to have the peace of mind to know that their former charges, whom they have come to love and treat as pets, are going to be properly cared for in the future.

For horses stabled at Parx Racing, there is simply no excuse for anyone to not do the right thing for his horse. There is no mandatory fee to place a horse in the program, no horse is turned away, veterinary care is provided, and TFH has an excellent track record. Parx Racing management enforces a zero tolerance policy against horsemen who do not make ethical decisions regarding the aftercare of their retired horses. The efforts of Parx horsemen to "take care of their own" through the TFH program is widely promoted and produces positive publicity that is beneficial to the future of Parx Racing.

Veterinary

Every TFH horse is a former racehorse whose connections have decided to retire for any number of reasons. Often they are simply not earning sufficient income to support the expenses of racing. Others become ineligible to race due to poor performance. However, racehorses are athletes competing at peak performance and over 60% are retired with a physical injury that requires veterinary intervention.

The conversation regarding a horse's entry into TFH begins with the trainer and/or owner reviewing and discussing with TFH's Program Administrator the current physical condition of the retiree *(Fig. 8)*. After completion of the appropriate paperwork, the horse is referred to one of TFH's highly skilled veterinarians for evaluation. Fortunately, TFH is located on the backside where physical evaluations are convenient and cost-effective.

In 2014, after consultation with a highly respected equine surgeon, TFH implemented a policy of radiographic screening knees and ankles for all incoming horses. Radiographic screening has proven to be a win-win for all. Partner Farms have utilized the more accurate diagnostic data to reduce rehabilitation costs, while TFH has reduced placement costs and adopters have the security of a thorough physical evaluation. This is but one more example of TFH and the veterinary community coming together for the benefit of racehorse aftercare.

Clinical evaluations and surgical reviews are considered in developing an informed decision, in conjunction with the input of the treating veterinarian, the TFH veterinarian and the consulting surgeon. Based on all the available data a decision is made to either send the horse straight to a Partner Farm for retraining and adoption or to a rehabilitation farm to rest and recover or to surgery for repair. Horses requiring surgery are a priority and scheduled for surgery as soon as possible with a TFH-supporting equine hospital, such as Mid-Atlantic Equine Medical Center, Unionville Equine Associates, or Hogan Equine Clinic, all of which provide exceptional surgical care at very reasonable rates. TFH rehabilitation farms that specialize in surgical rehab provide critical post-operative care and the rehab necessary for the retiree to transition to a TFH Partner Farm for retraining and rehoming.

Most Thoroughbred racehorses are retired due to musculoskeletal injuries *(Fig. 9)*, with sesamoid fractures the most common career-ending injury. In the past, many horses with sesamoid fractures were euthanized either due to the need for surgery or the extended recovery time needed for such injuries. With the advent of TFH, trainers and owners are able to donate their former racehorses into a program that has the capability of giving their injured horses the care and time needed for recovery.

The TFH program has allowed veterinarians, over the period of eight years and with hundreds of case studies performed, to have a better understanding of joint disease and the causes of racehorse injuries.

After the rigors of racing, even perfectly sound horses benefit from time out in a grassy field where they can just be a horse. The TFH Partner Farms are all experienced and capable of handling the myriad of issues that can come with rehabilitating retired racehorses. They follow the prescribed treatment plan and can handle the let down period. Common issues such as ulcers, abscesses and anxiety are all resolved on the farm with the assistance of the farm veterinarians as continued care for the horse progresses.

Turning for Home uses project management software called Basecamp to coordinate the aftercare of the horses between the consulting veterinarians, program manager, farm managers, and on to the adopters. Records are easily obtainable online and the follow-up not only

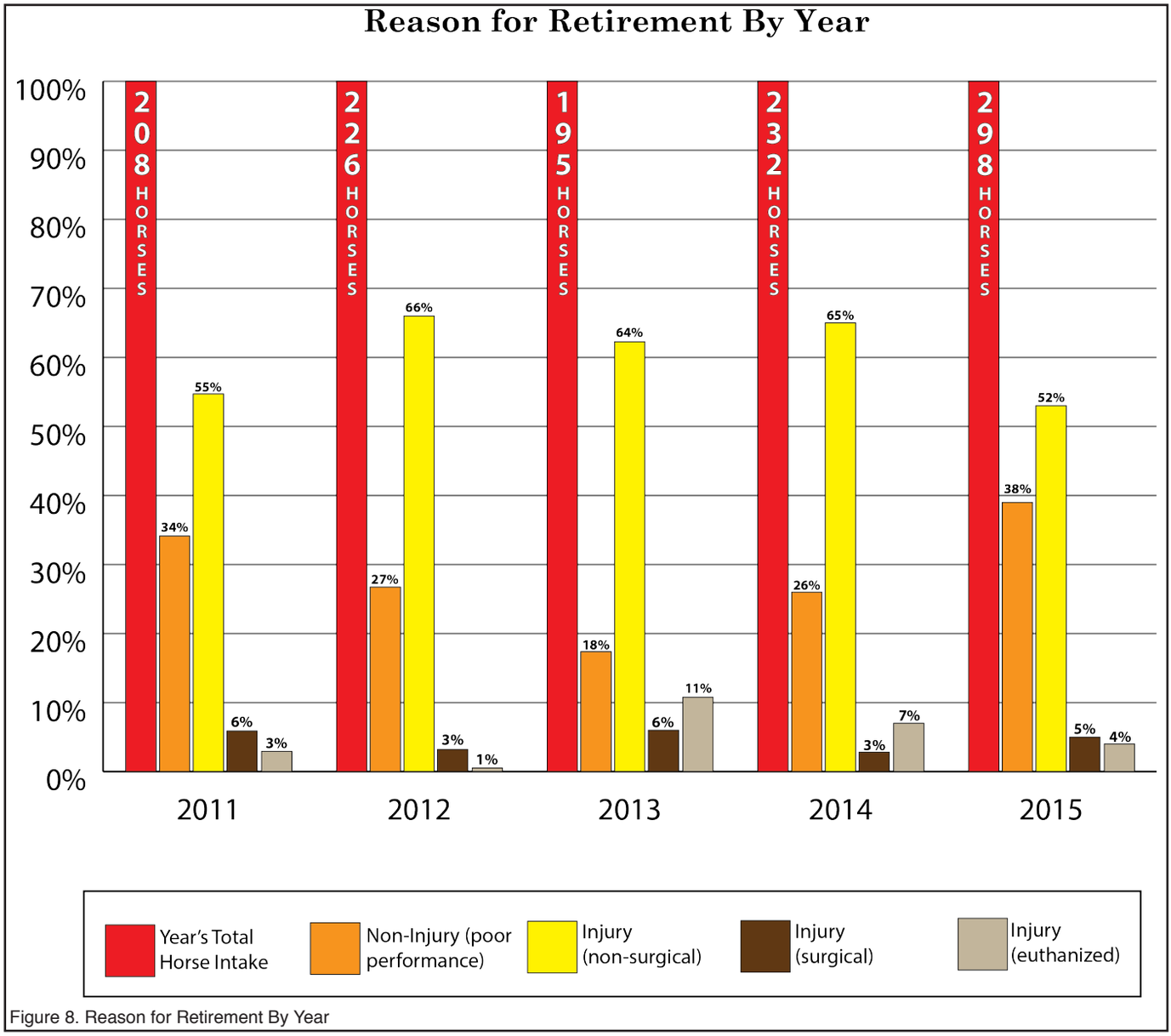


Figure 8. Reason for Retirement By Year

insures proper rehabilitation and tracking, but also full disclosure to future adopters. Many horses go on to sporthorse careers, and having prior veterinary records on hand can help with future diagnosis as well; offering additional value and transparency to adopters, which translates to more opportunities for adoption and more horses saved.

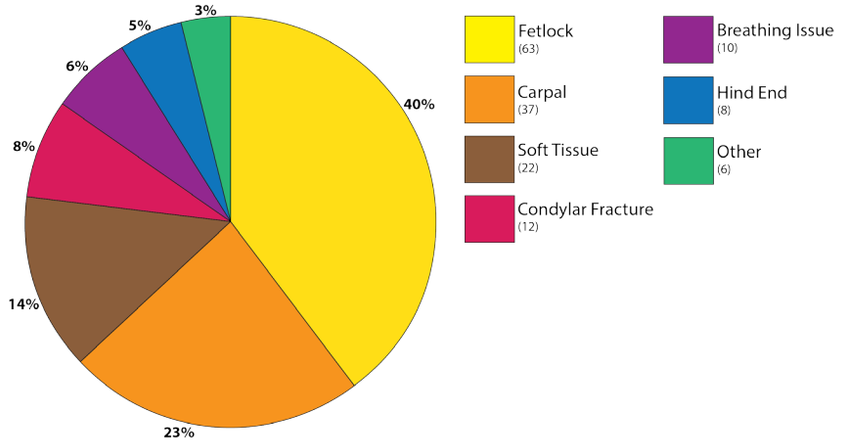


Figure 9. Reason for Retirement of Injured TFH Horses in 2015

Partner Farms

Turning for Home has assembled an eclectic and talented network of Partner Farms who have accepted the challenge of providing racehorse aftercare. Admittedly, this is a difficult task. TFH is very selective to insure that each Partner Farm shares the TFH mission and has the best interests of the program horses at heart. In order to assure proper use of funding, Partner Farms that have already been successful rehoming horses, with current non-profit status, are preferred. However, new farms are continuously being guided and developed.

Partner Farms are experienced in rehabilitating, retraining and rehoming Thoroughbreds coming straight from the racetrack. They all follow the American Association of Equine Practitioners' (AAEP) *Guidelines for Equine Rescue and Retirement Facilities* and are knowledgeable as to current industry standards for racehorse aftercare. Partner Farms are also proficient in marketing, screening of potential adopters and following up with adopted horses.

The TFH Partner Farm network has grown to a capacity of over 120 available stalls and generally has 80-90 horses in transition at any time *(Fig. 10-11)*. The success of the program is largely dependent on its Partners Farms, and thanks to the availability and experience of the Partner Farms, TFH is able to give each horse the individual time needed while accepting an average of 25 horses per month from the track.

Experience has shown that smaller operations often have an advantage, with less overhead and more individualized, daily attention. Some farms prefer to keep a few rehabilitation stalls open for the program, focusing on the occasional surgical recovery or specialty case; others have extensive networks of clients waiting for their perfect equine partner. The biggest farms supplement established lesson programs with their non-profit rehoming efforts and have both paid employees and knowledgeable volunteers who work with them to retrain the horses and match them up with the perfect adopters. Placing horses with the most suitable farm is vital to continued success, so careful consideration is given to location, discipline, and the managers' preferences.

Each Partner Farm is required to use the TFH Adoption Application and thoroughly pre-screen prospective adopters. Safe arenas, solid insurance and release waivers allow potential adopters to test ride horses, an important component to facilitate successful matches. Adoption contracts must clearly transfer ownership of the horse and have provisions for necessary quality of care, Right of First Refusal, no racing, no-auction and mandatory follow-up. Both the Partner Farms and TFH carefully track the horses during the first six months of adoption, for this is when most incompatibilities arise, as well as take back any horse that does not work out for any reason.

The TFH network of Partner Farms has become a family of sorts. Ideas and tips for operational structure, insurance, non-profit guidelines, marketing, contracts and dealing with both problem horses and problem adopters are all discussed on a regular basis. Advertising ideas are shared and used to market the adoptable horses, as well as to spread the TFH mission through educational seminars, horse shows, booths, internships and other community outreach projects. While the Partner Farms operate independently on a financial level, they also provide a caring network for all TFH horses by working together and moving horses around if a better match can be made.

Grants to Partner Farms have resulted in an army of over 1,200 adopters. This model is the most effective use of funding in the industry, and is capable of quickly and safely rehoming every donated horse. The success of the TFH program is its ability to put former connections' minds to rest while creating a more humane option for the retiring horse population.

Retraining Farms

Organization Name	City	State	Capacity
After the Races	Nottingham	PA	18
Bell Run Farm	Christiana	PA	4
Maui Meadow Farm	West Chester	PA	10
Misty Spring Stables	Ringtown	PA	10
Phoenix Equine Services	Cochranville	PA	5
ReeLee Restarting & Training	Cochranville	PA	5
Safe Haven Equine	Perkasie	PA	10
Black Oak Farm	Egg Harbor	NJ	10
Five Point Farm	Bargaintown	NJ	20
Fox Run Farm	Cape May Court House	NJ	4
Harmony Hill Stables	Allentown	NJ	5
Lighted Way Equestrian Program	Bridgeton	NJ	6
Track to Tranquility Equestrian Program	Buena	NJ	10
Equine Rescue of Aiken	Aiken	SC	10
Full Gallop Farm	Aiken	SC	20
Jumping H Farm	Elkin	NC	8

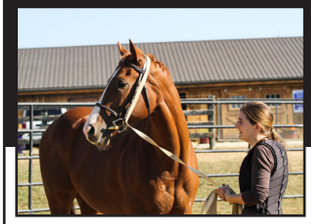
Figure 10. Retraining Farms

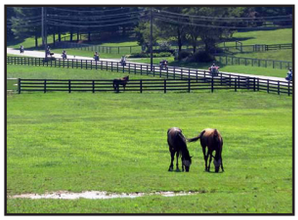
Rehabilitation Farms

Organization Name	City	State	Capacity
Peoples Farm	Souderton	PA	10
Sedgemere Farm	Elverson	PA	2
The Thoroughbred Connection	Adah	PA	2
A Bit of Heaven Farm	Newfield	NJ	6
Lakes End Farm	New Egypt	NJ	4

Figure 11. Rehabilitation Farms

Retraining Farms







After the Races

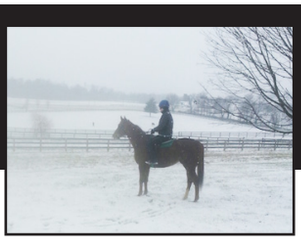
Nottingham, Pennsylvania

Partner Since: 2010

Total Horses: 202 2015 Adopted Out: 35

After the Races is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that rehabilitates and rehomes retiring Thoroughbred racehorses. Under the leadership of Director Bonnie McRae, it has quickly grown to a quality retraining facility for off-track Thoroughbreds. Bonnie spent many years in her home state of North Carolina competing in hunters and then eventing prior to college. Having worked with racehorses in varying capacities over the years (working with foals and weanlings, breaking yearlings, exercising flat & steeplechase horses, etc.), she grew to love the breed.







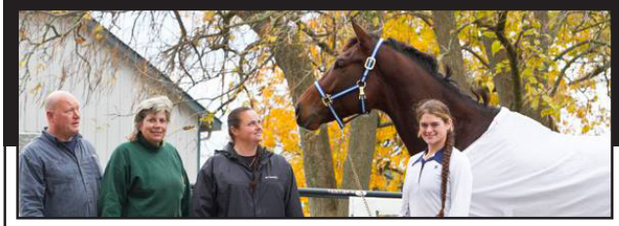
Bell Run Farm

Christiana, Pennsylvania

Partner Since: 2014

Total Horses: 10 2015 Adopted Out: 3

Nestled in the heart of Andrews Bridge Hunt Country, Bell Run Farm offers non-racing clients an array of options, including numerous paddocks and round pens, miles of trails, a schooling arena and foxhunting. Candice Smith breeds and races her own racehorses in the Mid-Atlantic region, and she is happy to be able to give back to the industry that is her livelihood by working with Turning for Home to rehab, retrain and rehome our retired thoroughbred racehorses. She has applied for her 501(c)(3) after more than a year of partnering with Turning for Home.







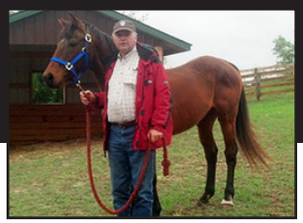
Black Oak Farm

Egg Harbor, New Jersey

Partner Since: 2013

Total Horses: 67 2015 Adopted Out: 41

Black Oak Farm has been breeding, raising, shipping, rehabilitating, and boarding horses for over 20 years. The farm located just outside of Atlantic City, N.J., and consists of a 22-stall foaling barn & an 11-stall rehab barn, as well as multiple large paddocks. In just over a year of partnering with Turning for Home, Black Oak Farm has placed more than fifty horses into new homes. Kelly Lupton rides, markets and places the horses while her mother Gina Lupton handles the daily horse care and rehabilitation.

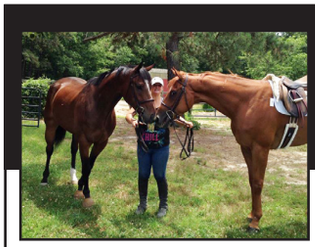

Equine Rescue of Aiken

Aiken, South Carolina

Partner Since: 2014

Total Horses: 18 2015 Adopted Out: 9

The Equine Rescue of Aiken was established in 2006. To date they have placed more than 600 horses with an average of 60 horses each year. Vice President & Managing Director Jim Rhodes donates his time and has led the way in finding homes for horses that are unrideable due to injury or even temperament. A few years ago, he began a partnership with veterinary clinic Performance Equine by providing mares that are capable of being used in an embryo transplant program that will produce some of the top polo horses in the country.





Five Point Farm

Bargaintown, New Jersey

Partner Since: 2014

Total Horses: 27 2015 Adopted Out: 6

Patti Burroughs of Five Point Farm was the youngest (13yo) to compete in the Shore Memorial Grand Prix aboard a retired racehorse. She also captured a team bronze medal aboard another retired racehorse in the 1991 Olympic Festival in Los Angeles as a junior rider. After having so much success with her Thoroughbreds as a young equestrian, Patti has applied her passion for retired racehorses towards rehabbing, retraining and rehoming horses for Turning for Home. She is especially skilled with the intricacies of rehabilitating surgical cases.





Fox Run Farm

Cape May Court House, New Jersey

Partner Since: 2015

Total Horses: 7 2015 Adopted Out: 3

Juli Schalick is a registered nurse who has devoted her life to assisting others and has transferred those skills to her horses at Fox Run Farm in Cape May Court House, New Jersey. She specializes in teaching hunter jumpers, children's 4-H, showmanship and halter classes, and anything needed to further the development of the young rider. Juli also shows registered American Paint and American Quarter Horse Association horses and is always on the lookout for horses with distinct color patterns.

Retraining Farms





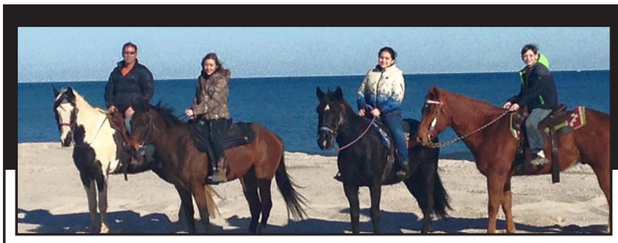
Full Gallop Farm

Aiken, South Carolina

Partner Since: 2014

Total Horses: 31 2015 Adopted Out: 16

Lara Anderson and Daniel Brown own Full Gallop Farm, located in the heart of southern horse country. Many top equestrians are based out of their farm in the winter months & the couple uses those connections to their advantage by rehoming recently retired racehorses with these professionals and their students. The farm has recognized U.S.E.A. shows through the Intermediate level and hosts schooling horse trials throughout the year. Lara successfully competed with three Turning for Home graduates before deciding to join the Partner Farm network.





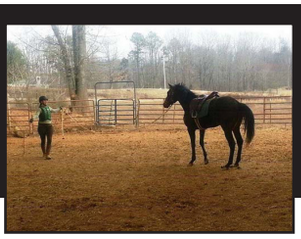
Harmony Hill Stables

Allentown, New Jersey

Partner Since: 2015

Total Horses: 6 2015 Adopted Out: 4

Shane & Kit Alley were raised in the rural midwest with a lifelong passion for riding & training horses for western disciplines. After moving east and opening Harmony Hill Stables, they learned firsthand how athletic a thoroughbred can be. Through their hands-on approach, the couple and their four children have been able to create new lives for OTTBs after their racing careers. Since becoming a Partner Farm, Shane has adopted Summer Time Ranger from the program and the duo have been successful in competing locally on the hunter pace circuit.

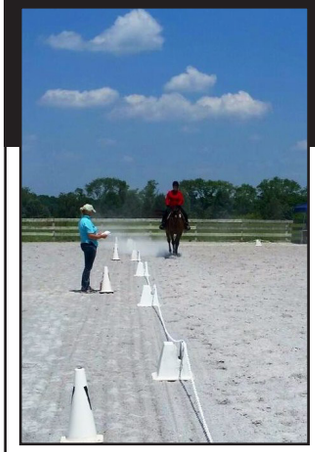

Jumping H Farm Re3 Adoption & Therapy

Elkin, North Carolina

Partner Since: 2014

Total Horses: 29 2015 Adopted Out: 10

Jumping H Farm was created nearly 20 years ago by Nicole Huttar, who purchased her first OTTB, King Solomon, at the age of sixteen. In 2010, Nicole stumbled across an available horse named Murderinthefirst on Turning for Home's website and she fell in love. In 2014, she created the 501(c)(3) non-profit division of Jumping H Farm, Re3 Adoption & Therapy. Nicole also runs guided trail rides in the beautiful mountains of North Carolina, which provides a great outlet for lower-level retirees.







Lighted Way Equestrian Program

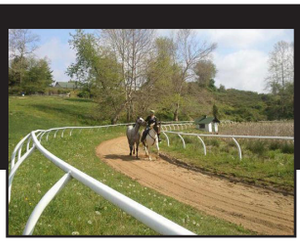
Bridgeton, New Jersey

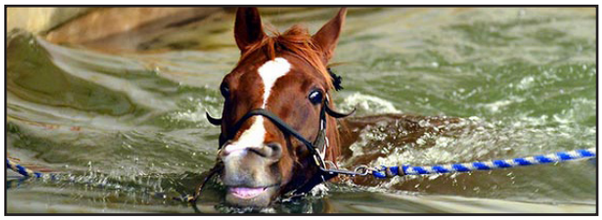
Partner Since: 2013

Total Horses: 6 2015 Adopted Out: 2

Lynn Stokking has over 35 years of experience with riding, handling, training and judging horses. She specializes in dressage, western dressage and carriage driving. She is known for being able to get down to the "root cause" of a problem horse or rider and find a solution. Lynn's philosophy is highlighted by her goal of "building a bridge to better horsemanship". Lighted Way Equestrian Program in southern New Jersey often hosts clinics with some of the top trainers in the country.







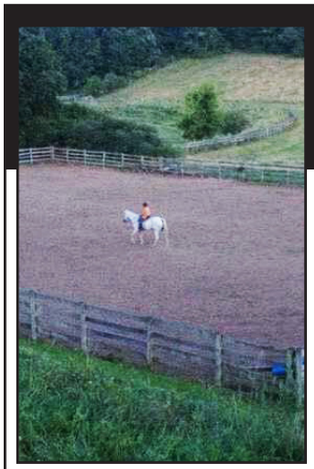
Maui Meadow Farm

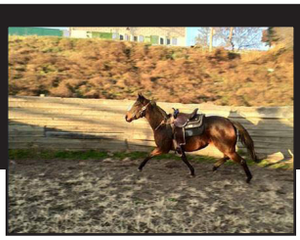
West Chester, Pennsylvania

Partner Since: 2013

Total Horses: 47 2015 Adopted Out: 18

Maui Meadow Farm was one of the original thoroughbred breeding farms in Pennsylvania. Charlie Lyman, III, is a 3rd generation horseman who works alongside fiancee Nina Bradley to make sure that the horses who have given their all to the farm since its opening in 1946 have a second career. The couple focuses on rehab, especially specializing in swimming for equines. While Charlie has extensive experience in training racehorses on the farm, Nina supplements his knowledge with her history of showing in hunters, cross country and jumpers.







Misty Spring Stables

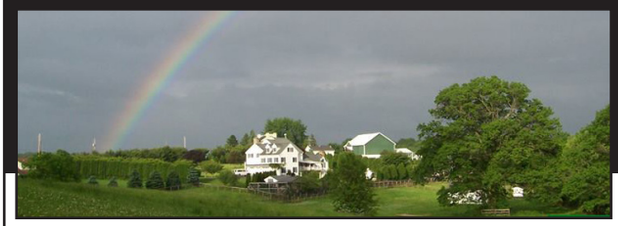
Ringtown, Pennsylvania

Partner Since: 2015

Total Horses: 5 2015 Adopted Out: 0

Misty Spring Stables is owned by Linda McCormick, who grew up on a Thoroughbred farm where she helped her mother breed, break, and train different breeds of horses. She opened Misty Spring Stables in January 2010 and started offering rescue, boarding, breaking, training, and trail training. The farm offers 103 acres of beautiful, lush pastures and wooded grounds for trail riding. Linda is in the process of setting up Misty Spring Stables for competitive trail events.

Retraining Farms



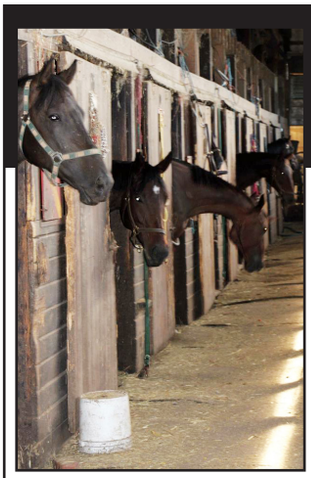




Phoenix Equine Services
ReeLee Restarting & Retraining

Cochranville, Pennsylvania
Partners Since: 2015
Total Horses: 5 2015 Adopted Out: 0

Kelsey Parisi & Jessi Werner met as students at Colorado State University and now share the facilities at Valley Breeze Farm. Kelsey has worked on the racetrack for top Thoroughbred trainers in the U.S. and Australia, as well as Quarter Horse cutting trainers in Texas. She recently won the Equine Comeback Challenge at the Pennsylvania National Horse Show with a retired racehorse. Jessi broke yearlings for elite Thoroughbred operation Juddmonte Farms while in school and has since worked for some of the top eventing farms in the Mid-Atlantic region.







Safe Haven Equine

Perkasie, Pennsylvania
Partner Since: 2014
Total Horses: 18 2015 Adopted Out: 10

Safe Haven Equine is fully owned and operated by Kate Goldenberg, who brings a lifetime of practical, hands-on experience with horses that encompasses everything from racing to fox hunting, dressage to hunter-jumpers, and just the simple joy of riding for pleasure. Kate has a partnership with the Work to Ride program in Philadelphia, which provides an outlet for inner-city kids to learn about horses and riding. Kate also breeds and races her own homebreds at Parx Racing and other racetracks in the Mid-Atlantic region.







Track to Tranquility Equestrian Program

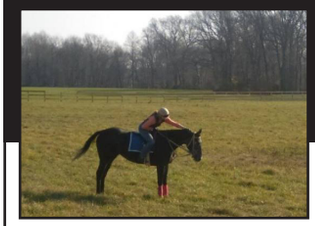
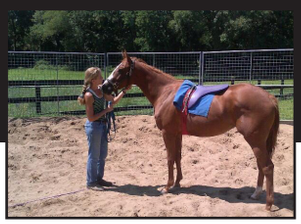
Buena, New Jersey
Partner Since: 2013
Total Horses: 52 2015 Adopted Out: 23

Rachel Hess is the director of Track to Tranquility Equestrian Program and has had a successful 10+ years competing and training in Dressage, Equitation, Hunters & Jumpers. She has worked with numerous “green” horses from start to finish and strives to constantly broaden her knowledge, share her experiences, and deliver excellent, quality horses. Rachel has an established lesson program with many students who have adopted TFH horses.

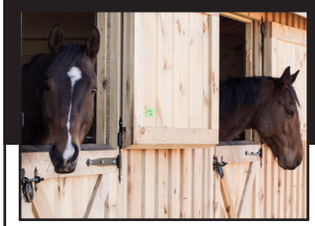
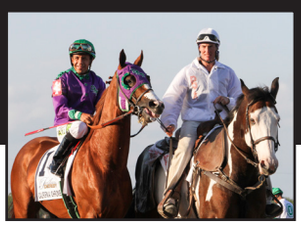
Rehabilitation Farms




A Bit of Heaven Farm
Newfield, New Jersey
Partner Since: 2014
Manager: Rene Lenzi

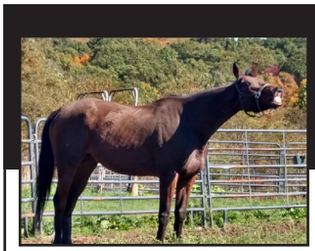
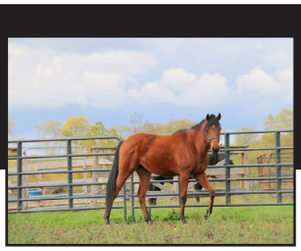
Lakes End Farm
New Egypt, New Jersey
Partner Since: 2015
Manager: Erin Hlubik

Peoples Farm
Souderton, Pennsylvania
Partner Since: 2012
Managers: Michelle & Robert Peoples




Sedgemere Farm
Elverson, Pennsylvania
Partner Since: 2011
Managers: Dr. Thomas Lurito & Cherie Gaebel

The Thoroughbred Connection
Adah, Pennsylvania
Partner Since: 2015
Manager: Vicki Vilchek

Around the turn for home . . .

Shewasnicerthen soared home first on this snowy January afternoon at Parx Racing. Finishing behind her that day were Lyrical Colors and Rhinestone Sandy, who would go on to win five races collectively. These three mares have all since retired from racing through Turning for Home.



Lyrical Colors



Rhinestone Sandy



Shewasnicerthen



Financial Analysis

III. Financial Analysis

a. Funding

b. Expenses

"No other retirement program in the history of our industry compares to our program. No other program is 100% fee-free for donated horses. No other program accepts 100% of eligible horses, regardless of condition. No other program has revolutionized the future of racehorse retirement, for the betterment of the horse, the owner, the fan and the racing industry than the PTHA's Turning for Home."

-Salvatore M. DeBunda, Esq., PTHA President

Funding

In 2004, the Pennsylvania Race Horse Development and Gaming Act 71 (PRDF) legalized casino gambling in the Commonwealth. A primary goal of Act 71 was the rejuvenation of Pennsylvania's Racing and Breeding Industry, which contributes $1.6 billion to the State's economy and employs over 23,000 people. However the passage of Act 71 was not without risks, as the Oxford University Handbook of the Economics notes, "numerous studies have shown that placing slot machines in racetracks results in a reduction of pari-mutuel wagering - betting on races - by 20 to 39 percent". Consequently, Act 71 provides that a portion of slot revenue be set aside to off-set the loss of pari-mutuel revenue and establish enhanced purses, health care and pensions for horsemen and breeding incentives for Pennsylvania-Bred racehorses (PA-Breds). PRDF's revenue to the racing industry also allowed for the funding of a viable aftercare for retired racehorses, the PTHA's Turning for Home, Inc.

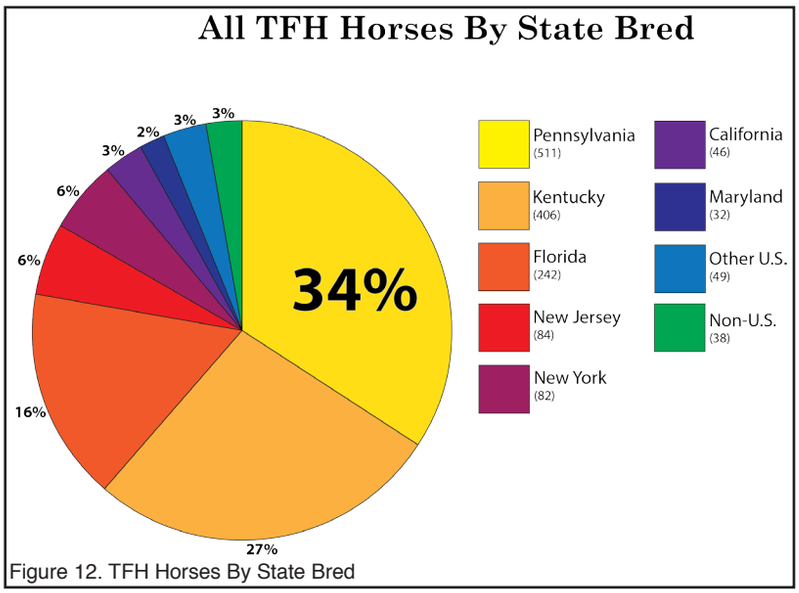


Figure 12. TFH Horses By State Bred

TFH is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that receives funding from three principle sources: Horsemen, Parx Racing as Operators, and Public donations *(Fig. 13-14)*. Racehorse owners contribute $10 per horse, per start at Parx to account for over 45% of total revenue, which amounted to $185,770.45 in 2015. The Parx Racing Jockey Colony was the first in the nation to support a horse retirement by donating $10 for each win and $5 for each second place finish, resulting in 6.31% of TFH's income.

Pennsylvania has one of the most successful breeding programs in the country and is directed by the Pennsylvania Horse Breeders Association (PBHA), which funds purse incentives that attract PA-Bred racehorses to race in their home state. Thanks to these promotions, PA-Bred racehorses make up a large percentage of the Thoroughbreds competing at Parx Racing, so it is not surprising that over 1/3 of horses retired into the TFH program are PA-Breds *(Fig. 12)*. The PHBA is extremely supportive of TFH and its mission and increased its support from $10,000 to $15,000 in 2015.

The PTHA not only sponsors TFH, but also contributed $50,000 in additional funds to the retirement effort on behalf of the horsemen, raising the total for donations from horsemen to account for 67.59% of funding in 2015. Parx Racing has donated $50,000 each year, which was 12.25% of overall funding in 2015. As Operators, track management is fully supportive of the TFH mission and is cognizant of the excellent publicity that the program gives to horse racing.

Public donations and fundraising efforts accounted for the remaining 29.34% of income in 2015, exemplifying the public support that is necessary for the success of any non-profit program. For the past five years, a generous grant from a private benefactor has contributed $60,000 per year to the program, and plans to focus on support for the annual Turning for Home Day promotions will help replace those

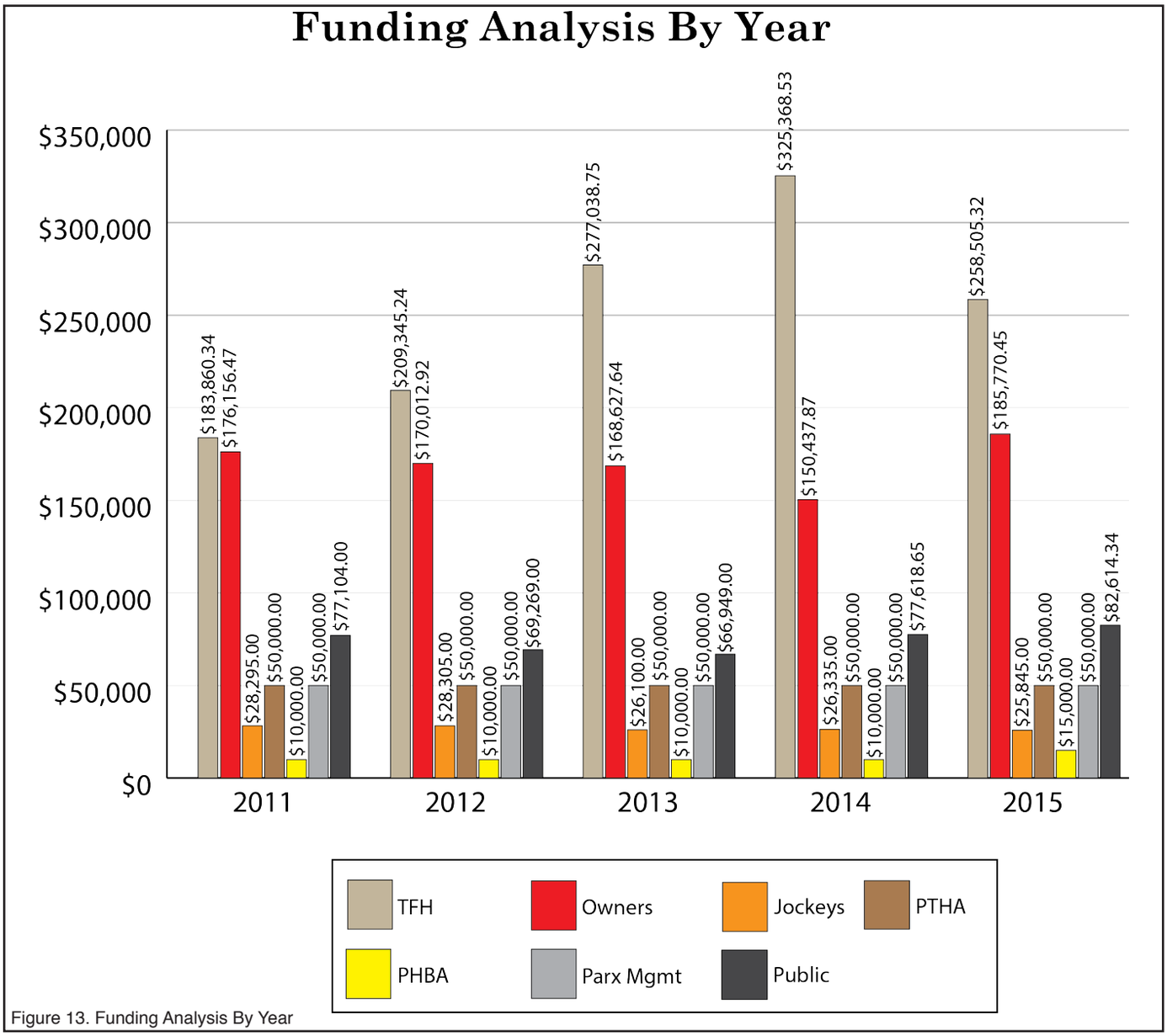


Figure 13. Funding Analysis By Year

lost funds. TFH's management has established a viable operating reserve to ensure its long-term financial health.

The PTHA's Turning for Home model works by sharing the responsibility for aftercare with the horsemen who benefit the most from the industry. Thanks to this continued support, the program remains viable and can continue to make a difference for the horses who leave it all on the racetrack. The sport and the economy of Pennsylvania depend upon it.

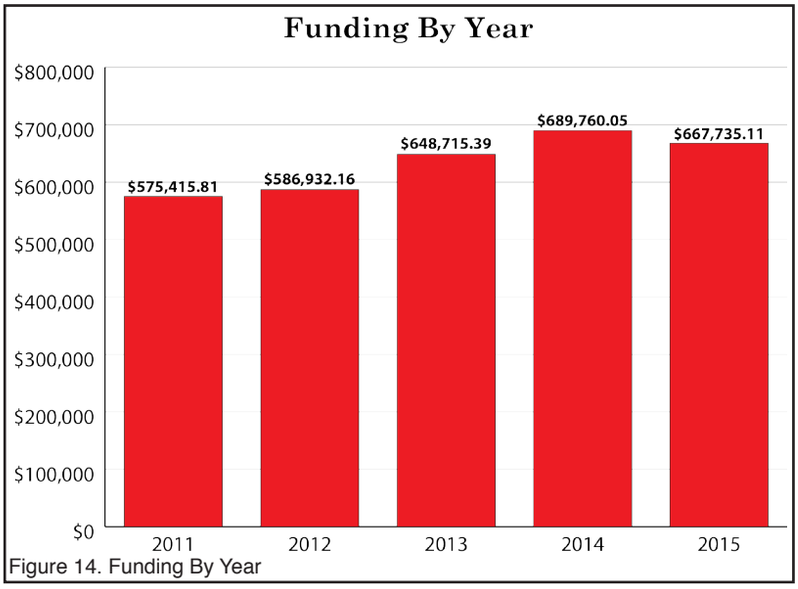


Figure 14. Funding By Year

Expenses

The PTHA's Turning for Home is a study in efficiency, purpose and commitment to the underlying mission, "to work to find (retirees) new homes and careers". Fully 86% of program expenditures are directly dedicated to horse care. The remaining 14% of expenses consist of: payroll, professional fees, advertising, marketing and office operations *(Fig. 16)*.

In 2015, TFH provided aftercare services for 298 retired horses *(Fig. 17)* with a total cost of $407,033.07, averaging $1,365.88, the lowest average per horse cost in the industry for horse care. Horse care services consist of: 1) horse placement stipends for rehabilitation including board, feed, hay, bedding, farrier, vaccinations, retraining and adoption services; 2) veterinary care such as evaluations and surgical intervention; and 3) horse transportation from the racetrack to Partner Farms or medical clinics.

Horse transportation has become a substantial burden on the TFH budget; over 10% of horse care expenses go to moving the horses from track to farms or to clinics and back *(Fig. 15)*. While transportation costs have increased with the volume of horse intake, as well as with TFH's Partner Farm network expansion, it was the intent of the original by-laws that shipping would be the responsibility of the owners. TFH is working to encourage shipping contributions by horsemen as they donate their horses in order to cut back on the $37,525.00 spent, while not hindering the safe placement of any retiring horse.

TFH's eight years of collaboration with highly educated, industry involved orthopedic surgeons has resulted in an efficient and well-respected program. The decisions behind veterinary care are two-fold, with the first involving diagnosis of acute injuries. When surgery is recommended to allow a horse the opportunity for a second career, then TFH proceeds with surgery and rehabilitation. Surgical costs have risen with the economy and veterinary participation, but the percentage of horses requiring repair has remained steady. In 2015, twelve surgeries accounted for 4.7% of retirees and a cost $16,918.08. This represents a significant savings over the market price for the same procedures and allows TFH to honor its commitment to saving lives.

The second part of veterinary expenses consists of screening and all other procedures that not only are necessary diagnostically, but offer a great value to Partner Farms, due to the discounts TFH receives from track veterinarians. The $29,959.10 TFH paid in veterinary fees resulted in savings on horse placement fees and better satisfaction from Partner Farm managers and adopters. The current balance allows TFH to maintain a reputation for quality and performance while keeping horse care costs to a minimum. Clearly the success of TFH is in large part due to TFH's reliance on excellent veterinary evaluations, rehabilitative treatment and surgical intervention.

Along with quality horse care, marketing is vital to the success of the program. Not only does TFH assist with advertising adoptable horses, the program also sponsors events intended to increase demand for retiring racehorses, such as the Retired Racehorse Project and all-Thoroughbred class incentives. The PTHA and Parx Racing offer marketing and publicity opportunities, and thanks to their support marketing costs are kept to a bare minimum while still allowing TFH to meet its outreach goals. Fundraising expenses resulted in a carryover of $17,809.37 in 2015. The bottom line is that TFH is more than capable of achieving its ultimate mission while staying fully self-supporting.

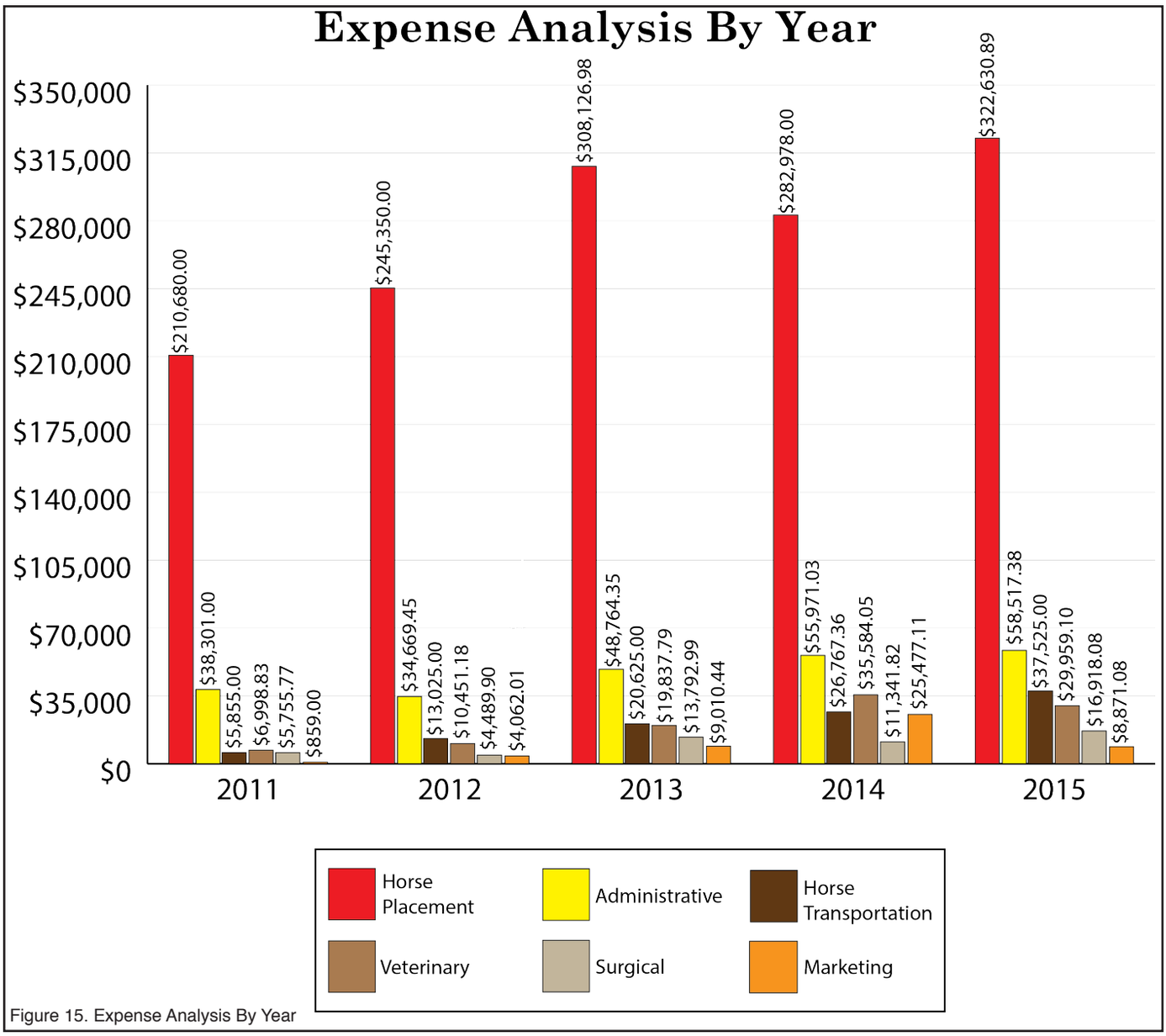


Figure 15. Expense Analysis By Year

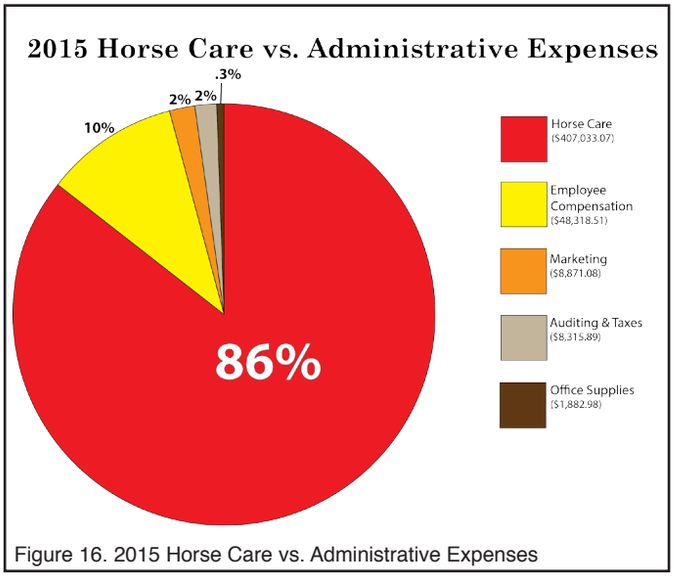


Figure 16. 2015 Horse Care vs. Administrative Expenses

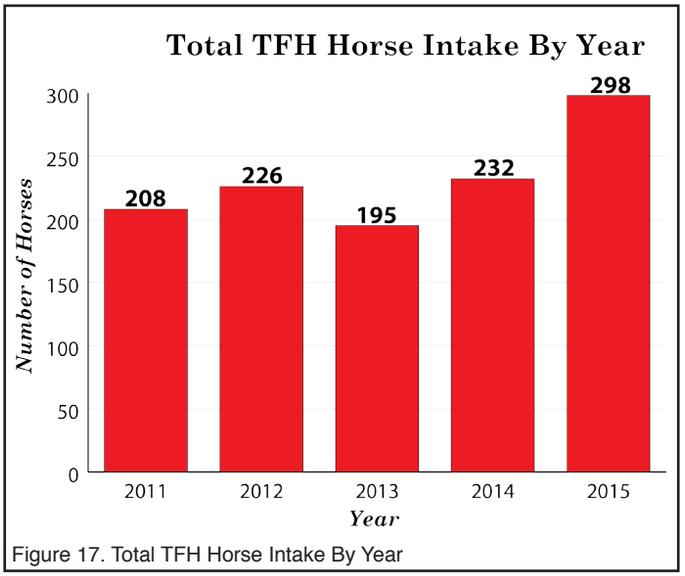


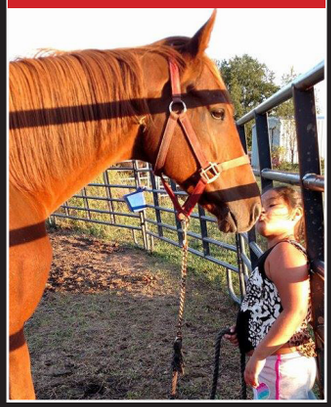
Figure 17. Total TFH Horse Intake By Year

When it's time . . .

Run Smart One raced exactly 100 times over seven years before he was placed with TFH in November of 2014. His connections chose not to attempt "just one last race" and decided to responsibly retire him at this landmark number.



Run Smart One



Impact

IV. Impact

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"One of the most pleasant surprises when I came to Parx Racing was Turning for Home. It is a great program where no horse is left behind. The PTHA showed tremendous foresight in establishing Turning for Home, and the Parx horsemen and especially their horses are the better for it. As long as there is racing at Parx, there will be a need for a program like Turning for Home."

-Sam Elliott, Director of Racing, Parx Racing, Inc.

Second Careers

Nearly 350 horses were adopted in 2014-2015 through TFH and the support of its Partner Farms. Horses found new homes as far away as California and as close to home as right in Bensalem, Pennsylvania. Here are just some of the careers that TFH graduates are now pursuing:

1	Field Hunter	4	Barrel Racers
1	Mounted Jouster	6	Polo Ponies
1	Sidesaddle	8	Show Jumpers
1	Track Pony	8	Lesson Horses
1	Western Dressage Horse	17	Dressage Horses
1	Working Ranch Horse	52	Eventers
2	Therapeutic Riding Horses	87	Hunter Jumpers
3	Fox Hunters	102	Recreational Riding Horses
3	Police Horses		

Figure 18. TFH Second Careers By the Numbers



Children's Therapy
Crevette



Polo
Altoid Girl



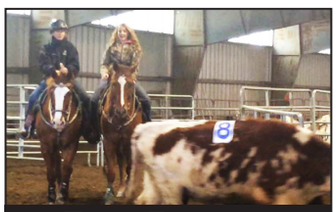
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Dressage
Indy Knight



Barrel Racing
Legal Ring



Team Penning
Dover Point



Hunter Jumper
Star Factor



Show Jumping
Kangaroo Kid



Recreational Riding
Murderinthefirst



Poles
A Soldier's Star



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Rod's Five Star



Western Dressage
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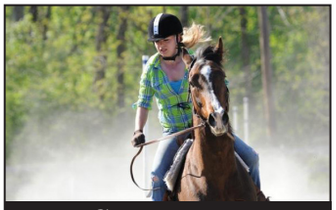
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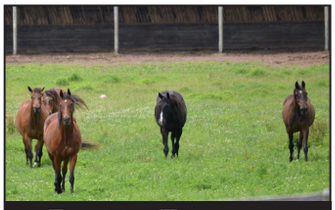
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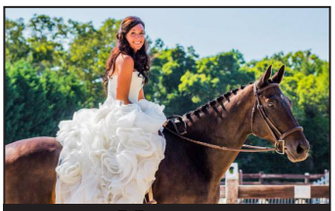
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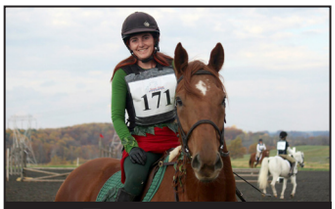
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Warm Heart



4-H
Salty Cheeks



WESTERN PLEASURE
Gold West



BEST FRIEND
Waterfall

Outreach

The PTHA's Turning for Home program has had a substantial positive effect in changing the attitude of horsemen towards responsible racehorse retirement. TFH helped horsemen realize that not only do they have an inherent responsibility to the horses bred to race but they can also lead this change in attitude and thus be part of the solution.

Parx horsemen are now aware of the public outcry when a Thoroughbred racehorse is found in the kill pen of a local auction *(Photo 2)*. TFH's outreach program educates horsemen to Parx Racing's zero tolerance policy, which provides for immediate ejectment from Parx of any horsemen involved in horse slaughter.

TFH's association with the veterinary community has provided substantial data supporting the causal relationship between poor racing performance and racing injuries, thus advancing the ability to more accurately predict when to discontinue a horse's racing career prior to sustaining a catastrophic injury. In pursuit of these advancements, TFH has donated horses for research studies at the major equine hospitals in the region and participated in trials for cutting-edge therapies such as Noltrex for joint lubrication and Platelet-Rich Plasma (PRP) for bowed tendons *(Photo 4)*. In addition, leading surgeons working with the TFH program have discovered a seriously high incidence of degenerative joint disease in retired racehorses. This has resulted in the Mid-Atlantic racing region banning or regulating certain medications and therapies.

Public outreach has also been improved through TFH in a variety of ways. Volunteers are stationed at a table within the Parx Racing grandstand on special event days to advertise, fundraise and interact with the general public by educating them about horse racing and racehorse aftercare. For the past two years, Parx Racing has hosted Turning for Home Day, a race day dedicated to honoring the horses, horse owners and TFH network. Events like Turning for Home Day bridge the gap between racing connections and the adopters who value the partnerships that racehorse retirement and rehoming require *(Photo 5)*.

TFH also has the support of the Parx Racing Jockey Colony, which was the first such group in the country to donate a portion of their jockey mount fees towards the safe retirement of the very horses that provide for their living. The Jockeys, dressed in their colorful silks, generously donate their time and greet fans on behalf of TFH. The partnership between TFH and the Parx Jockey Colony has been successful in raising money for racehorse retirement and the Permanently Disabled Jockeys Fund (PDJF) *(Photo 6)*.

Community outreach is directed towards the sponsorship of programs that increase public awareness of the value and virtue of ex-racehorses. Recently, representatives of TFH made the twelve-hour journey to the Kentucky Horse Park and proudly observed three TFH graduates participate in the Retired Racehorse Project's (RRP) 2015 Thoroughbred Makeover competition *(Photo 1)*. More than ten graduates have been adopted specifically to compete in the 2016 edition. Supporting programs such as the RRP results in a significant increase in safe adoptions.

TFH has successfully utilized public media events such as the Horse World Expo at the Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex and the Purina Horse Ownership Clinic *(Photo 7)*, as well as television appearances with *6abc Action News* anchor Matt O'Donnell *(Photo 3)* and the Parx Racing recap show *Let's Go Racing (Photo 8)* to educate the general public about the importance of the TFH program to the horse racing industry and the resurgence of the Thoroughbred in the sporthorse world.



1 TFH promotions at the 2015 Thoroughbred Makeover



2 Congressionalbust in a kill pen



3 TFH horse Flashy Felipe impresses *6abc Action News* anchor Matt O'Donnell during a spotlight on pet adoptions



4 Dr. Tom Lurito educates Gloucester County Community College students on the use of PRP injections for the treatment of bowed tendons during a follow-up ultrasound on TFH horse Lost Fortune



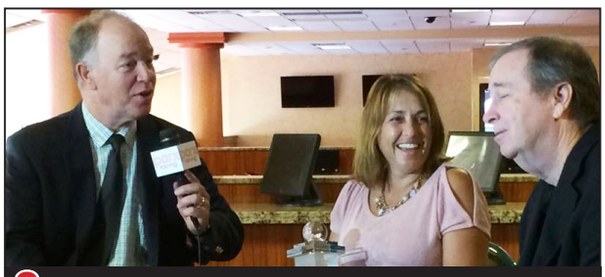
5 Connections involved with stakes winner Rod's Five Star met for the first time on Turning for Home Day 2015, including breeder/owner/trainer Ed Lehman, Partner Farm managers Gina & Kelly Lupton and adopter Hannah Parker



6 Jockey Michael Ritvo meets a fan



7 TFH participates in many educational clinics



8 A TFH appearance on *Let's Go Racing*

A Call to Action

A MODEL THAT WORKS

Turning for Home has undoubtedly transformed the industry and pushed it to embrace the reality of responsible retirement for all racehorses. In 2016 the number of horses retired by the PTHA's program will surpass 1,800 and that is an astounding accomplishment, not only in comparison to prior retirement efforts, but also as proof of continued commitment to an organization that is succeeding in its mission.

Other programs have been forced to limit the number of horses assisted due to lack of funding. The chain reaction following cutbacks is devastating to the horses left behind, and spreads through the backside like a cancer, breeding apathy among horsemen who then refuse support altogether, creating a downward spiral. In contrast, TFH knows that every needy horse should be offered assistance and from experience can estimate that the revolving population of 1,400 Parx horses will produce approximately 300 horses per year for retirement. Meeting these goals requires continued support from the racing community.

Perhaps the most remarkable aspect in this report is that racehorse owners privately donate nearly one quarter of TFH's income in heartfelt support of the program. This is in addition to the established $10 per start they contribute. There is a lot to be said for horsemen who care what happens with their charges after racing and continue to protect them with ongoing support.

A LOOK AT THE FUTURE

New objectives for TFH include expanding the initially successful Turning for Home Day in June of 2016. Connecting excited adopters and former connections allows benefactors to see that their donations indeed make a difference. TFH Day will feature the $100,000 Turning for Home Stakes, and with the support of the PTHA Board of Directors to rally sponsors, the goal is for fundraising income from the event to increase from $5,000 last year to $20,000 in 2016.

TFH's online presence has been a great asset as most horses are adopted out via social media posts. This year the program will revamp its website to keep up with technology and make it more mobile friendly. Success depends upon finding safe homes for the horses, so TFH will continue to find ways to support the Partner Farms and make new connections.

Now is the time to become proactive, equipped with the knowledge that a group of horsemen achieved their goal of providing an alternative to slaughter for every horse on their racetrack for over seven years. Two objectives stand out as crucial to the TFH mission: promoting education and encouraging replication. Continuing to make a difference requires the support of the entire racing industry. As long as there are horses bred for racing, there will be a need for a unified retirement plan for these athletes.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

DONATE • ADOPT • VOLUNTEER • SPREAD THE MISSION

P. O. Box 300, Bensalem, PA 19020 • 267-223-3418
http://www.turningforhome.org • turningforhome@patha.org

By The Numbers

TFH is the model racehorse retirement program for all racetracks and has made the largest impact on the horse racing industry due to the sheer number of horses - *an average of more than 250 each year* - that it is able to transition into a safe retirement.

OVERALL	2015	
4.7	4.8	Average age at Intake
7	5	Horses accepted outside standard intake procedure
170	21	Horses returned to TFH for re-adoption
566	78	Fillies or mares at Intake
880	143	Geldings at Intake
1,788	298	Horses entered in TFH
2.4	2.5	Average career wins per horse
18.8	20.8	Average career starts per horse
59	8	Total stakes victories
3,529	644	Career wins by TFH horses
15,467	3,088	Career starts at Parx Racing by TFH horses
27,986	5,325	Career starts by TFH horses
$62,803.93	$71,109.45	Average career earnings per horse
$93,671,015	$18,204,020	Total career earnings by TFH horses

Figure 19. By the Numbers

4
MOST CAREER STAKES VICTORIES
FIRST SHOT, SUMFUN, VANQUISHER

13
OLDEST HORSE AT INTAKE
DOWN THE SHORE

23
MOST CAREER WINS
FIRST SHOT

115
MOST CAREER STARTS
EL FRIO

$727,518
HIGHEST CAREER EARNINGS
REFLECTED WAY

Return policy in action . . .

Roman Games retired from racing when he was no longer competitive. When his original adoptive home did not work out, TFH enacted its policy of taking back any graduates, regardless of condition. Roman Games now has a new home in N.C. with a student of partner Jumping H Farm.



Roman Games



Appendix

V. Appendix

a. Forms

b. References

c. Figures

d. Supporters

"As breeders, we make sure we take back any horse we breed and give it a good home. But many horses don't go to the breeding shed and would instead excel in another discipline after racing. That is why a retraining program like Turning for Home has really been fantastic to have here in Pennsylvania."

-Brian Sanfratello, Pennsylvania Horse Breeders Association, Executive Secretary

HORSE INTAKE FORM

Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association's Turning For Home

Racehorse Retirement Program at Parx Racing
P.O. Box 300
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www.patha.org ▪ turningforhome@patha.org ▪ 267-223-3418

Turning for Home Horse Intake Form

NAME OF HORSE_____ Date_____

TRAINER_____ Barn # _____ Stall #_____

Phone_____ Email Address_____

HOW LONG HORSE CAN STAY AT PARX RACETRACK_____

OWNER_____

Address_____

Phone_____ Email Address_____

VETERINARIAN_____ Phone_____

Do you wish to make a donation to accompany your horse? Yes_____No_____Amount:$_____

Horse Information

Year of Birth_____ Sex_____ Tattoo_____ Color_____ Height_____

Cribber?_____ Date of Last Race_____ Track_____

Reason for Retirement and comments or warnings: (Please be as detailed as possible and include all records, x-rays, papers, coggins etc so we can provide the best care for your horse.)

_____

_____

_____

Past Injuries_____

Vaccinations_____ Worming_____ Teeth_____

A deposit of $100.00 per horse is required to help offset the cost of shipping your horse to our Partner Farms. This **must** be paid prior to the horse leaving for the farm.
By delivering your horse to TFH, you agree to transfer complete ownership of the donated horse to TFH. Liability and Risk of Loss, and expenses for care of the horse, remain with Donor until the horse leaves the grounds to go to a TFH Partner Farm.

Signature_____ Date_____

Turning for Home, Inc. is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization sponsored by the Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association.

Figure 20. Horse Intake Form

VET EVALUATION FORM

PTHA'S Turning For Home
RACEHORSE RETIREMENT PROGRAM

VETERINARY EVALUATION

Name _____ Age ___ Sex ____

Tattoo # _____ Color _____

Trainer _____ Barn _____ Stall ____

Last raced _____ Track veterinarian _____

Reason for retirement:

Known past injuries:

RF	**LF**
RR	**LR**

Comments

Signed _____ Date_____

Figure 21. Veterinary Evaluation Form

Adoption Application

Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association's Turning For Home

Racehorse Retirement Program at Parx Racing
P.O. Box 300
Bensalem, PA 19020
www.patha.org ▪ turningforhome@patha.org ▪ 267-223-3418

Turning for Home Adoption Application

Please return to Turning For Home, Inc., P.O. Box 300, Bensalem, PA 19020; or email to Danielle Montgomery at turningforhome@patha.org ; or fax to 215-638-2919.

Name:_____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Phone: (Work) _____ (Home) _____ (Cell): _____

Email: _____ Age: _____

Employer: _____

Specific horse from our web page: _____

What qualities do you prefer: _____

Gender: _____ Height: _____ Age: _____

Have you worked with Thoroughbreds off the track before? (Explain): _____

_____

_____

How long have you been riding? _____

Discipline: (Ex: jumpers, trail, dressage, eventing, western, etc.) _____

Do you consider yourself a beginner, intermediate or advanced rider? _____

Have you ever owned your own horse, and for how long _____

Are you aware that a horse requires regular attention, and can cost approximately $4,000 to $8,000/year to board, shoe, feed and provide veterinary care? _____

Have you ever sold a horse through an auction? If yes, explain: _____

_____

Turning for Home, Inc. is a 501 c 3 non-profit organization sponsored by the Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association.

Figure 22. Adoption Application

Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association's
Turning For Home

Racehorse Retirement Program at Parx Racing
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Bensalem, PA 19020
www.patha.org ▪ turningforhome@patha.org ▪ 267-223-3418

Turning for Home Adoption Application

Will you be working with a trainer? (Please give his/her name, if applicable): _____

_____

Intended Use for Horse: _____

Where will horse be stabled? (Address): _____

_____

If horse is to be boarded, please supply owner/farm manager's name and contact number: _____

_____

Acreage of farm: _____ Number of horses on property: _____

Type of shelter available for horse: (ie. 10 x 12 stall, field, run-in shed): _____

_____

Type of fencing: _____

Plans for transitioning your horse to his/her new home, including pasture mates, schedule, training, etc.:

_____

_____

_____

REFERENCES:

VETERINARIAN: NEIGHBOR:

Name: _____ Name: _____

Phone: _____ Phone: _____

CHARACTER REFERENCE (someone who knows your ability/experience with horses; i.e. barn manager, trainer, riding partner, etc.):

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Turning for Home, Inc. is a 501 c 3 non-profit organization sponsored by the Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association.

RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL

Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association's
Turning For Home

Racehorse Retirement Program at Parx Racing
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www.patha.org ▪ turningforhome@patha.org ▪ 267-223-3418

Adopter Name:_____

Address:_____

Email:_____Phone:_____

Regardless of circumstances, ADOPTER understands and agrees that _____
NAME OF HORSE
adopted on ___/_____/_____, SHALL NEVER be sold by means of equine or livestock auction, or directly sold for meat/slaughter, and may not be sold, given away, lent, leased or removed from Adopter's personal supervision except as set forth in the following paragraph regarding Right of First Refusal.

If at any time, the Adopter wishes to sell, lease, trade, give away or in any way change control of the above named horse, **TFH** must be offered right of first refusal and be notified of such by certified mail sent to P.O. Box 300, Bensalem, PA 19020. Adopter agrees never to sell horse for slaughter or send through an auction, and understands that doing so would be in violation of the Right of First Refusal. TFH has the right to purchase the horse back by matching a bona fide offer, proof of which will include name, address and telephone number of intended purchaser.

Should a Right of First Refusal **not** be offered to TFH, adopter faces possible attorney fees and costs of rescue and rehabilitation. Failure to notify TFH of the transfer of said horse is grounds to void the adoption, transfer and/or sale and the horse may be removed without court order.

_____ _____
ADOPTER DATE

_____ _____
Representative of Turning For Home DATE

I, _____, have been made aware of the veterinary evaluation of adopted horse, any soundness issues that TFH and its veterinarians have noted, and understand his limitations, if any, in regard to moving on to the career for which I have adopted him.

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Figure 23. Right of First Refusal

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