

Top 10 Wish-List Items



H&H recently relocated to property in Leavenworth County that the founder and her husband purchased for the purpose of providing H&H a stable forever home. Ultimately, H&H would like to buy its own space for longevity purposes. In the meantime, H&H has a variety of needs. Our needs list has a combination of our BIG asks together with more manageable daily needs to choose from.

- 1. We need to expand space for our forever home!** The majority of our funds are restricted, meaning we can only use them to offer counseling. If you can help in this area, we are seeking Guardian Donors who can make sizable donations to help create this reality. Please donate securely online and indicate it is for location funding. Here is the secure link: <https://www.horsesandheroes.org/donate>
- 2. Hay.** We will go through roughly 76,000 pounds of hay annually! Like everything, hay prices have skyrocketed, making this cost one of our highest within our budget. Our annual budget for hay costs went from \$4000 to \$8000 in one year. We accept dry and horse-quality brome hay or you can donate for the purpose of buying hay. If you can help in this area please donate securely online and indicate it is for hay funding. Here is the secure link: <https://www.horsesandheroes.org/donate>
- 3. Gator** or similar vehicle to drive clients from barn to the arena. Our current set up requires clients to walk uphill over uneven ground. This vehicle would make it possible for physically-challenged people to participate more fully. If you can help in this area please donate securely online and indicate it is for Gator funding. Here is the secure link: <https://www.horsesandheroes.org/donate>
- 4. Bobcat** or similar. As you can imagine, operating a program such as ours requires heavy-duty lifting, hauling, and loading. Without the right equipment, the maintenance jobs can be daunting and even impossible. A bobcat would make our lives much easier when it comes to heavy-duty jobs. If you can help with this please donate securely online and indicate it is for Bobcat funding. Here is the secure link: <https://www.horsesandheroes.org/donate>
- 5. Grain.** Some of the horses we rescue have special dietary needs. We budget \$2,000 annually to buy grain to meet these needs and ensure they receive the proper nutrients. One 50# bag of grain averages \$25.00. We consume roughly 80 bags per year. Here is the secure link to assist with buying grain: <https://www.horsesandheroes.org/donate>
- 6. Memorial Trees** As our therapy horse ages, we are, and will be, faced with difficult decisions. To honor the therapy horses that have served us well for so many years, we would like to plant a shade-tree in the pasture close to the spot of their burial. These trees will provide much needed shade for the herd, as we only have 1 shade tree

current. Some trees are toxic to horses, so we prefer Ash or Elm. Trees can be purchased directly or you can give to our Memorial Tree Campaign. If you can help with this please donate securely online and indicate it is for Memorial Trees. Here is the secure link: <https://www.horsesandheroes.org/donate>

7. Memorial Garden. Location to be easily accessible and at the beginning of future Memorial Walk. Purpose is to provide a more accessible spot than the pasture to honor the horse(s) they connected with and have lost. Memorial garden will have a central horse statue, annual flowers, and perineal plants. H&H will accept annual flower donations, mulch, and volunteer help to maintain flowerbed. If you can help with this campaign please donate securely online and indicate it is for Memorial Garden. Here is the secure link: <https://www.horsesandheroes.org/donate>

8. Memorial Walk. We seek to add a Memorial Path for families to honor their service members, police officers or firefighters who were lost in the line of duty or to suicide. Families can purchase a stepping stone and H&H will have it engraved with the name of their lost loved-one and a short message. The path will be on the west side of the driveway that extends up to the barn (roughly 500 feet). Items to donate would include stepping stones, engraving services, gravel, weed barrier material, someone to design the space and volunteers to create it. If you can help with this campaign please donate securely online and indicate it is for Memorial Walk. Here is the secure link: <https://www.horsesandheroes.org/donate>

9. Programming. Offering Equine Assisted Psychotherapy is not a cheap endeavor. It costs H&H \$2,000 for each 8-week program we offer for free. It is critical that we maintain sufficient funds to continue the save-saving work. H&H targets providing no-cost trauma-recovery services to 40 individuals annually which equates to \$80,000. Donations of any size are welcome for this category! If you can help with this campaign please donate securely online and indicate it is for Programming. Here is the secure link: <https://www.horsesandheroes.org/donate>

10. General Operations. Our costs to offer no-cost mental health and trauma-recovery services continue to rise as well as the demand for service increases. We accept all donations to help offset costs for general operations. No donation is too small to assist in this need. Regular monthly donations help the most with this campaign as we can better gauge anticipated revenue. If you can help with this campaign please donate securely online and indicate it is for General Operations. Here is the secure link: <https://www.horsesandheroes.org/donate>

All donations will receive a tax receipt. If you prefer to mail us a check, the mailing address is 22052 W 66th St #207, Shawnee, KS 66226

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