

The Joys of Fostering

Our ability to rescue and care for horses in need is limited only by available foster homes and funding. Please consider opening your heart and barn or pasture and foster a horse, as has Misty Elam of Riverton. Misty has fostered two Arabians for us and found it to be a rewarding experience! “I’m so happy to be a part of saving these magnificent creatures,” she says proudly.

Fostering is an important learning experience for families, too. The Lumbus family of Draper has thoroughly enjoyed fostering, grooming, and playing Parelli Partnership games with Rusty while he awaits his forever home.

What is involved in fostering a horse? We first like to visit the property where our horse will live (both fosters and adopters), to help ensure safe enclosures, access to water, etc., and even help you make safety improvements to the fencing if needed. We provide all the veterinary and farrier care, including Coggins test, vaccinations and deworming. We also provide hay and help you learn and teach Parelli Natural Horsemanship. You provide shelter and lots of TLC!

Of course while fostering, you may become attached and decide to adopt the horse yourself, which is certainly allowed. Call or write Cheryl at Wasatch Humane if you’d like to foster or adopt a horse or burro, 801-486-6210, Cheryl@wasatchhumane.org.

More Happy Trails of Horses we have helped:

Choco is a Missouri Foxtrotter whose owner moved out of state and left him with a veterinarian. He had a joint disease that needed medical attention if he were ever to become sound again. Soon after entering our program, Choco was adopted to a wonderful family near Vernal that has several Foxtrotters and is happy to have one more in the tribe!

Brandy (scan photo) is a gorgeous roan mustang that came to us from her family in Idaho who couldn't keep her for personal reasons. She is quickly learning Parelli Natural Horsemanship in her foster home in Coalville, who may decide to adopt her for themselves.

For Adoption: Bold Again is a 10 y.o. dark bay Arabian/Standardbred. Bo is a gorgeous horse with great presence. He came into Wasatch Humane's horse rescue program because he has confidence issues under saddle. Bo was trained as a dressage horse but has not been ridden in dressage for over 6 years. He is very affectionate and loves attention, grooming and just visiting.

Bo is looking for somebody to form a lifelong bond with him; somebody that will use his natural athleticism and endurance on a regular basis.

Bo is currently in training with a Wasatch Humane volunteer working on Level 1 Parelli Natural Horsemanship to build his confidence. Potential adoptive homes must commit to continuing the PNH journey with Bo, as this is his best chance to become the horse he was born to be. If you would like to arrange a visit with Bo in his foster home in Park City, please call Cheryl Smith, 486-6210.

For Adoption: Dexter is a handsome chocolate and white Paint. He came to Wasatch Humane from a riding program. Dexter wants so badly to trust people but has issues with head shyness and claustrophobia. He is currently in training with a Wasatch Humane volunteer working on Level 1 Parelli Natural Horsemanship. He is learning extremely fast and is working hard to understand and trust. He desperately wants somebody to love him and be his special person. Potential adoptive homes must commit to continuing the PNH journey with Dexter, as this is his best chance to overcome his challenges and become the best that he can be. If you would like to arrange a visit with Dexter in his foster home in Sandy, please call Cheryl Smith, 486-6210.