

ADOPTION PROCESS:

Thoroughbred and Standardbred racehorses have so much left to give once they retire from the track. Highly athletic and intelligent, these horses have already been tacked, trained, bathed and tied hundreds of times; they are well-versed in shoeing, shipping and negotiating traffic. With proper training, there is nothing these horses can't do. Many New Vocations graduates have gone on to careers in eventing, dressage, hunter/jumpers, competitive trail riding, foxhunting, 4-H, carriage driving and pleasure riding.

1 SUBMIT AN APPLICATION

Experienced, previous horse owners may submit an application to adopt a New Vocations horse online at newvocations.org. Veterinarian and personal references are required. Applicants must be approved prior to visiting the horses at any of our locations.

2 APPROVAL

Application processing time depends on accessibility of references; applicants should notify references that they will be contacted. Applicants are notified of their status by email or phone call. Approved applications are good for two years. The application process is to become an approved New Vocations adopter and is not applicable to only one horse.

3 CHOOSING A HORSE

Horses available for adoption are presented on our website with detailed descriptions, multiple photos and videos. Approved adopters may contact any program trainer directly to get more information or to set an appointment to see a horse(s). Adopters who work with trainers are encouraged to include them in the selection process. Pre-purchase exams are both allowed and encouraged.

4 ADOPTION FEES

The average adoption fee for a New Vocations horse is \$450, with the majority being between \$0 and \$1,000, depending on the age and physical limitations of the horse. Fees are waived on companion horses.

5 ADOPTION CONTRACT

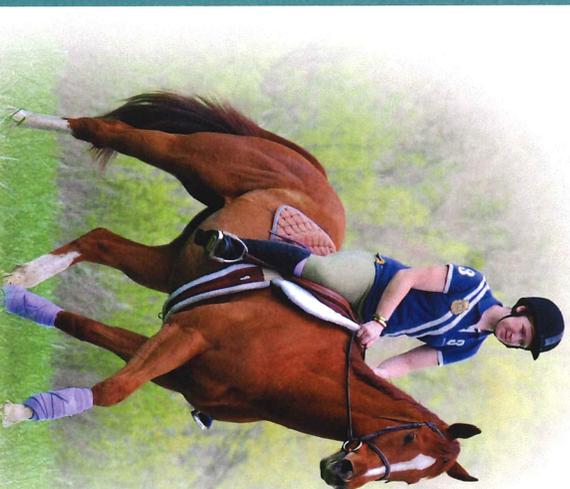
The adoption contract is binding for one year. After one year, the horse may be sold, but New Vocations requests to be notified of the new owner's contact information and location. Should an adopted horse prove unsuitable for the purpose for which he was adopted, the adopter has 60 days after taking possession of the horse to return the horse to New Vocations in exchange for a credit equal to the original adoption fee.

6 TRANSPORTATION

Once a commitment has been made, the adopter has seven days to move the horse from the New Vocations facility. A daily rate is charged for board beyond the grace period.

7 UPDATES

Adopters are required by contract to send three written updates with clear photos during the first year at the three-, six- and 12 month milestones. This helps New Vocations monitor the horse's condition and progress. Copies of this information are sent to donors to assure them of a successful transition and may be posted on the New Vocations website.



NEW VOCATIONS RACEHORSE ADOPTION PROGRAM

New Vocations Racehorse Adoption Program first opened their barn doors in 1992 to retired Thoroughbred and Standardbred racehorses looking for new careers. Starting with a single farm in Dayton, Ohio, the program has grown to six facilities in Kentucky, Ohio, New York and Pennsylvania. Serving over 40 racetracks, New Vocations works directly with owners and trainers in need of an aftercare program for horses that are retiring from racing.

Horses entering the program are given time to recover from the rigors of racing while being evaluated, socialized and started on the path to a new career. The program has a sound adoption system in place that is proven to move a large number of horses in a rather short period of time. The focus is on adoption verses retirement, believing that each horse deserves to have an individual home and a purpose.

New Vocations is the nation's oldest and largest racehorse adoption program.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

DONATE

- ✓ Funds donated to the program help cover the board, vet, shipping and farrier costs of the over 140 horses in our care each month.
- ✓ A designated breeding to Thoroughbred Charities of America or to the annual Standardbred Stallion Auction.
- ✓ A legacy gift in your will or living trust.
- ✓ Directly to our endowment fund, a permanent, self-sustaining source of funding.
- ✓ Supplies such as fly spray, lead ropes, halters, blankets and vaccines are always needed.
- ✓ Stocks, bond, real estate, vehicles or other items can be invested or sold to help fund the program. Donations are tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the law.



To donate, visit newvocations.org
or call 937-642-3171

OUR FACILITIES

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Additional facilities in Ohio, New York and Pennsylvania



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RACEHORSE ADOPTION PROGRAM

MAKE YOUR NEXT HORSE A RETIRED RACEHORSE

Are you looking for your next equine partner? Consider adopting a retired racehorse! With **A**o 40 horses in the New Vocations program at any given time, we have a vast and varied selection of Thoroughbreds and Standardbreds to choose from. Whether you want a hunter, jumper, eventer, trail or dressage partner, or if you simply want a horse to love, we can help you meet your match.

New Vocations is the oldest and largest racehorse adoption program in the nation, taking in over 450 horses each year before placing them into carefully screened, loving homes.