

Henry's Home Horse and Human Sanctuary of Conroe, Texas, is Verified by Global Federation of Animal Sanctuaries



July 20, 2018 (Conroe, TX) – The Global Federation of Animal Sanctuaries (GFAS), the only globally recognized organization providing standards for identifying legitimate animal sanctuaries, awarded Verified status to Henry's Home Horse and Human Sanctuary as of July 17, 2018.

Verification means that Henry's Home Horse and Human Sanctuary meets the criteria of a true equine sanctuary/rescue and is providing humane and responsible care of the animals. To be awarded Verified status, an organization must meet GFAS's rigorous and peer-reviewed animal care standards which are confirmed by a site visit and they must also adhere to a demanding set of ethical and operational principles. The Verification status also provides a clear and trusted means for the public, donors and grantors to recognize Henry's Home Horse and Human Sanctuary as an exceptional organization.

"We are proud to announce the recent Verification of Henry's Home," said Valerie Taylor, GFAS Program Director-Equine. "The perseverance, determination, and hard work put forth by the sanctuary's Board, volunteers, and community members in establishing this facility and its programs according to industry best-practices has been astounding. This organization has truly created a haven wherein both animals and humans can heal."

"Henry's Home has worked hard for the last few years to build out the property we were donated, grow in our knowledge about how to care for our beloved four-footed family members, network within our community to spread the word of our work, and complete the requirements for a healthy and growing non-profit," said Donna Stedman, Founder and Executive Director. "Adding Verification from the Global Federation of Animal Sanctuaries has been one of our goals for the past year and we are thrilled to finally achieve this important recognition. We are so grateful for the guidance and support GFAS is giving us. We now consider them one of our valued mentors as we take it to the next step of Accreditation over the next year."

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About Global Federation of Animal Sanctuaries

Global Federation of Animal Sanctuaries (GFAS) is a 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization dedicated to the sole purpose of strengthening and supporting the work of animal sanctuaries, rescues, and rehabilitation centers worldwide. The goal of GFAS in working with and assisting these animal care facilities is to ensure they are supported, honored, recognized and rewarded for meeting important criteria in providing care to the animals in residence. GFAS was founded in 2007 by animal protection leaders from a number of different organizations in response to virtually unchecked and often hidden exploitation of animals for human entertainment and financial profit. The GFAS Board of Directors guides the organization's work in a collaborative manner. While the board includes those in top leadership at The Humane Society of the United States, International Fund for Animal Welfare, and American Anti-Vivisection Society, all board members serve as individuals dedicated to animal sanctuaries. www.sanctuaryfederation.org.



About Henry's Home Horse and Human Sanctuary

Henry's Home Horse and Human Sanctuary takes in rescued and donated horses, and other farm animals, and gives them a forever home and meaningful work in our Horses & Heroes Equine Program which offers EAGALA psychotherapy for our local veterans and first responders and their families, always at no cost to them. This 501c3 non-profit is run entirely by volunteers and is supported primarily by the local community through donations from other non-profits, corporations, individuals and grants. For more information, visit <http://henryshomehorsesanctuary.org/> .

About the ASPCA®

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