

# Second Wind Thoroughbred Project in Bethune, South Carolina is Verified by the Global Federation of Animal Sanctuaries



July 16, 2021 (Bethune, SC) - The Global Federation of Animal Sanctuaries (GFAS), the only globally recognized organization providing standards for identifying legitimate animal sanctuaries, awarded Verified status to Second Wind Thoroughbred Project (SWTP) as of June 29, 2021.

Verification means that Second Wind Thoroughbred Project 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 SWTP as an exceptional organization.

"We are proud to announce the recent Verification of Second Wind Thoroughbred Project," said Daryl Tropea Ph.D., GFAS Program Director-Equine. "This organization is dedicated to finding every horse that enters their program, the most appropriate home for their individual needs, abilities and temperament. When horses first arrive at this beautiful facility, they spend a few months adjusting to a new life away from the racetrack. With attention to their mental and physical rehabilitation, each horse is introduced to new activities such as dressage, jumping, polo, trail riding, or simply being a companion animal for both people and other equines."

"We are very happy to be a Verified sanctuary by the GFAS, stated Dayle Eldredge, Executive Director of Second Wind Thoroughbred Project. "This Verification means so much to us because we realize the importance for sanctuaries to be thoroughly inspected and "vetted" to ensure they are upholding the quality of care that animals deserve. We are proud to be GFAS Verified and will always maintain a high standard of care for the horses in our program."

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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](http://www.sanctuaryfederation.org).

### **About Second Wind Thoroughbred Project (SWTP)**

Founder and president Dayle Eldredge created Second Wind Thoroughbred Project with her mother and lifelong friend in 2015. What makes the program unique is its core group of people. They were all horse-loving teens whose passion was ignited when they started riding Thoroughbreds. They all became industry experts who have had lifelong careers at the highest levels of the profession in both the racing and horse show worlds. Second Wind's group of talented horsewomen includes a U.S. Equestrian Federation "R" hunter/jumper horse show judge who serves on national committees, a horse show steward, a competitive amateur hunter/jumper rider, a Reiki master and homeopath, an equine veterinarian, and a farrier, both of whose client lists include Hall of Fame racehorse trainers and Olympic dressage riders.

Second Wind is located just outside of Camden, S.C. The area's historic Thoroughbred-focused community boasts many training centers, the Steeplechase Hall of Fame, and the South Carolina Horse Park. Second Wind is proud of its outstanding facilities at The Stables at Macburn Plantation. Its training program is enhanced by an indoor arena and more than 5,000 acres of trails. Second Wind allows each horse the opportunity to progress at their own pace. A positive outcome for every horse is the No. 1 priority.

For more information, please visit [www.secondwindtbs.org](http://www.secondwindtbs.org)