Volunteering

Hope Begins with You
Volunteer Roles & Requirements

Program Volunteers

• **Session Leader:** Work with a child and a horse to form healthy relationships that promote hope and healing. **Requirements:** 18+, Equine Safety Class, HRH* Levels 1 & 2, signed Statement of Faith, weekly/bimonthly 3-hour commitment plus quarterly continuing education.

• **Listener:** Support the parents/guardians of session kids through listening, encouragement and prayer. **Requirements:** 30+, signed Statement of Faith, weekly/bimonthly 3-hour commitment, plus quarterly continuing ed.

• **Play Pal:** Engage siblings of session kids in games, play and Ranch fun. **Requirements:** 16+, signed Statement of Faith, weekly/bimonthly 3-hour commitment.

• **Program Host:** Welcome families as they arrive, provide hospitality and support fellow program volunteers. **Requirements:** 30+, signed Statement of Faith, weekly/bimonthly 3-hour commitment.

• **Group Leader:** Work with kids of similar ages and backgrounds in goal-oriented group sessions. **Requirements:** 18+, signed Statement of Faith, weekly/bimonthly commitment.

• **Mentor:** Work with a small group of boys (BUILD) or girls (BLOOM) who share similar backgrounds to build healthy, trusting relationships that promote hope and healing. **Requirements:** 18+, signed Statement of Faith, weekly/bimonthly 3-hour commitment plus quarterly continuing ed.

• **Camp Counselor:** Lead groups of kids 5–13 in an immersive Ranch experience including crafts, games, chores, horse activities and Bible study to build meaningful relationships with peers and mentors. **Requirements:** 15+, signed Statement of Faith, HRH* for some roles, 1-week commitment in summer, 7am–1pm M–F.

Equine Volunteers

• **Feeding:** Support the physical and emotional well-being of the herd by feeding grain, supplements, hay and water each week. Feeders work on small, regular teams of 5–7 people. **Requirements:** 18+ (13–17 w/ 1 guardian), Equine Safety Class, HRH* Levels 1 & 2, weekly 2-hour commitment.

• **Equine Wellness:** Aid in our horse wellness needs through ongoing health support and routine daily care. **Requirements:** 18+, three or more months active on the Feeding Team, Equine Wellness HRH* Module, 1–3X weekly (approx. 2–5 hrs./wk.)

• **Equine Development:** Use natural horsemanship to prepare our herd to bond with hurting kids, at times helping the horse work through elements of their own past abuse or adversity. **Requirements:** 18+, six or more months active on the Feeding Team, Liberty & Mounted HRH* Modules, 1–3X weekly (approx. 3–5 hrs./wk.)

*Hope Reins Horsemanship is our philosophy and practical approach to working with horses who help humans heal.
**Ranch Volunteers**

- **Ranch Hands:** Assist with ongoing upkeep of property (fencing, buildings and grounds) as well as maintenance of equipment and systems. Opportunity to lead group service projects. **Requirements:** 18+, (13–17 w/ 1 guardian), Equine Safety Class, minimum 4 hr. monthly commitment — some weekly volunteering available.

- **Garden Team:** Tend the garden in all its seasons, planting, watering, weeding and harvesting. This is a favorite Ranch feature for session kids and their families! **Requirements:** 16+ (5+ w/ 1 guardian), monthly 1 to 2-hour commitment.

**BARN CHORES & SERVICE DAYS**

- **Greeter:** Welcome newcomers and help participants experience life on the Ranch at Barn Chores. **Requirements:** 18+ (13–17 w/ 1 guardian), monthly 4-hour commitment.

- **Work Leader:** Lead groups of volunteers in various tasks around the Ranch during Barn Chores. Provide direction, answer questions and help everyone stay safe. **Requirements:** 18+, Equine Safety Class, monthly 4-hour commitment.

- **Equipment Operator:** Become approved to operate our 4x4’s and other equipment to facilitate Ranch chores. **Requirements:** 18+, Equine Safety Class, valid driver’s license, monthly 4-hour commitment.

**Organizational Volunteers**

- **Prayer Team:** Commit to supporting the ministry in prayer daily, weekly or monthly. **Requirements:** all ages.

- **Ambassador of Hope:** Spread the word about Hope Reins by inviting 10 or more of your friends/acquaintances to the ranch for a Stories of Hope Tour, designed to educate & engage the community about our cause. Perfect one-time volunteer role for those who love our ministry but may not have a lot of time to give. **Requirements:** 18+

- **Administration & Business:** Help us stay organized by assisting with various administrative needs that keep the business of Hope going. **Requirements:** 18+, minimum monthly 2–4 hours per project.

- **Development:** Assist with grant writing, donor care and appreciation by engaging the community in our cause through giving. **Requirements:** 18+, minimum monthly 2–4 hours per project.

- **Events:** Make our guest experience exceptional by hosting with excellence and care. Includes corporate, community, volunteer, and donor events. **Requirements:** 18+, as needed.
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