

Road To Independence
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Welcome to Our Farm Program!

We are pleased to have you join us in this unique environment that has established a place in the Newport Community. To offer our programs requires a strong team effort that includes skills training, task support and modeling from a committed group of individuals. Our program provides both non riding equine activities and farm/agriculturally based activities.

Our staff, volunteers, mentors, and program participants are the backbone of our success over the past 13 years.

We feel strongly that many farm activities can be structured as learning opportunities.

- Our Non-Riding Equine activities include bringing a donkey in from the field and haltering/leading/grooming.
- Our farm/agricultural activities have a varied routine depending on the daily needs at the farm.: picking up manure in the field, moving hay, cleaning tack or brushes
seasonally starting seeds for garden/planting/weeding/harvesting veggies
- In our “One The Road” we regularly visit residential locations, childcare centers, libraries, the Newport Farmers Market and walk in area parades.

For our program to be successful and for everyone to best benefit from the donkey/human interactions, we expect **EVERYONE**- Volunteers/Participants/Mentors/Aides/Family members to arrive prepared. Individuals should be able and willing to participate in an outdoor activity. While we take into consideration hot and cold temperatures and inclement weather – we are an **OUTDOOR PROGRAM. Everyone must come dressed appropriately to work in an outdoor environment and dressed for the weather. Proper shoes/boots, NO FLIPFLOPS OR OPEN TOED SHOES. People wearing inappropriate attire will be turned away.**

Please look at the weather and come prepared. If it has rained, expect mud.

Thank you for your generous investment of your time, your energy, and your good will!
Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,
Margaret Coulter
Director/Founder
Farm Program Manager

“Never Doubt That a Small group of thoughtful citizens can change the world;
indeed, it's the only thing that ever has.” Margaret Mead

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