

**DOMINION EQUIHELP™ APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE**  
**(To be filled out by hand. Please print legibly)**

*You are applying for assistance through Dominion Equine Welfare's EquiHelp™ program. You will be required to provide all necessary information, photographs and paper work.*

Please complete this application in its entirety. Failure to provide the requested information will create delays in processing your application. If you have questions, or need help filling out your application, please contact us at [dominionequinewelfare@gmail.com](mailto:dominionequinewelfare@gmail.com)

\* Required fields

**NAME OF APPLICANT\***

**APPLICANT'S ADDRESS (include city, zip code) \***

**COUNTY \***

**PREFERRED PHONE NUMBER \***

**EMAIL ADDRESS \***

**HAVE YOU READ OUR ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINE POLICIES AND INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS? \***

(This is required before submitting an application.)

**YES**

**NO**

**HOW MANY EQUINE ARE IN NEED OF FEED ASSISTANCE? \***

**DO YOU OWN THE EQUINE? \***

**YES**

**NO**

**DESCRIPTION OF EACH EQUINE (NAME, AGE, SEX, BREED, RECENT PHOTO). INFORMATION CAN BE PUT ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER, IF NEEDED.**

**IF BOARDED, PHYSICAL ADDRESS OF EQUINE (IF DIFFERENT THAN ABOVE) \***

**NAME & PHONE AT BOARDING FACILITY\***

**NAME OF CURRENT VETERINARIAN \***

**PHONE NUMBER OF CURRENT VETERINARIAN \***

**DATE OF & REASON FOR LAST VETERINARY VISIT \***

**NAME & PHONE OF CURRENT HAY SUPPLIER**

**DO YOU HAVE ANY PREGNANT MARES, FOALS OR STALLIONS ON YOUR PROPERTY? \***

**YES**

**NO**

**DO YOU BREED? \***

**YES**

**NO**

**IF YOU HAVE STALLIONS, ARE YOU WILLING TO GELD THEM?**

**YES**

**NO**

**HAVE YOU EVER BEEN CONTACTED BY ANIMAL CONTROL WITH CONCERNS ABOUT YOUR EQUINE? \***

**YES**

**NO**

**If YES, please explain**

**PLEASE BRIEFLY EXPLAIN WHY YOU ARE IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE\***

Note to Applicants: Failure to provide true and accurate information, or to omit critical information, will result in being declined for assistance.

A Dominion EquiHelp™ volunteer will contact your veterinarian with questions about your equine. You will alert your veterinarian and give your veterinarian permission to share information related to the equine for which you are requesting assistance.

**YOU WILL NOT SELL, GIVE AWAY OR TRANSFER ANY HAY OR FOOD PURCHASED BY Dominion EquiHelp™.** If you find you have surplus hay and/or feed you no longer need, you will contact Dominion EquiHelp™ for instructions, and you will be instructed what to do within two (2) weeks.

Dominion Equine Welfare and Dominion EquiHelp™ assistance is provided by donations from the public to a registered charity. As stewards of our donors' contributions and grants, we must ensure our funds go to those who have the greatest need. Dominion Equine Welfare has the **SOLE RIGHT TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY**. No assistance is granted without a complete application submitted and a site visit completed. Dominion Equine Welfare requires time and enough notice to do a site visit and check your references.

I affirm that the information I have submitted is true and accurate.

By submitting this application, I agree to be bound by the terms below. By signing below and requesting and/or receiving hay, feed or other equine assistance or transaction, you specifically agree, on your behalf and on behalf of your heirs, executors, assigns, not to bring any legal action in any court of law or equity against Dominion Equine Welfare, Dominion EquiHelp <sup>TM</sup>, or any of its affiliated, related or member organizations, volunteers, agents or designees under any theory of liability arising from your application, request and/or receipt of hay, feed or other equine assistance or transaction. You further agree to indemnify and hold the Dominion Equine Welfare, Dominion EquiHelp <sup>TM</sup>, or any of its affiliated, related or member organizations, volunteers, agents or designees harmless from a breach of these terms.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you for your application.**

### **Information for applicants:**

Thank you for contacting the Dominion EquiHelp™. We look forward to working with you to help your equine stay well fed and healthy since they rely on you for their care and nurturing. We are here to help you do this responsibly as their caregiver.

**-Locating hay.** Please locate a hay supplier who can sell you horse-quality hay. If your current supplier is out, please search for another supplier. You can check with local feed store(s), co-op, friends, family, neighbors or hay auctions. Write down the names, phone numbers and e-mail addresses of any and all possible suppliers.

**-Storage and use of hay.** Dominion EquiHelp™ can assist only when we have funds available. If funds are available, a determination will be made as to how much assistance you qualify for. In addition, we will need to know what your storage capacity is for hay, and how you feed your horses to reduce hay waste.

**-Non-transferable.** Those receiving assistance cannot sell, give away, or transfer any hay, feed or other supplies received from Dominion EquiHelp™. If there is hay and/or feed that will not be used Dominion Equine Welfare needs to be notified, and recipients will be instructed what to do with any surplus hay/feed within two weeks.

**-Temporary help to be “paid forward”.** Dominion EquiHelp™ provides temporary, short-term assistance to help individuals take care of and feed their equine. We can only do this due to the generosity and donations from the community.

We operate on a “pay forward” philosophy. We expect recipients of Dominion Equine Welfare’s assistance make a good faith effort to help us continue to help those in need. This can be done in the form of a donation to Dominion Equine Welfare or a direct hay purchase. Dominion Equine Welfare is not looking for reimbursement for assistance provided.

**-Payments to hay supplier.** If you are approved for hay assistance, Dominion EquiHelp™ will pay the supplier directly. We do not reimburse applicants for their own hay purchases, nor will we pay down any existing balances you have with your supplier. If hay is delivered to you, you may be asked to cover the cost of transportation.

**-Long-term planning.** What is your plan to ensure the long-term care and feeding of your equine?

**-Testimonials.** Our ability to raise money to fund Dominion EquiHelp™ depends directly on demonstrating to the public how we help equine in need. If individuals receive assistance, we will ask for a written testimonial about how the Dominion EquiHelp™ helped their equine. We may request pictures of the equine assisted. All testimonials will be posted on our website under “Equine We Help.” If preferred, a testimonial can be posted with no identifying personal information (i.e. anonymous).

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