Brennan Equine Welfare Fund
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Dear Brennan Equine Welfare Fund,

If you could save just one more horse from neglect, abandonment or a kill pen, would you?

Yes, it's a rhetorical question, because we know you would.

Since 2016, our mission at the Bergen County Horse Rescue has been the protection and rehabilitation of neglected and abandoned horses, and we accomplish this by caring for the horse's mind, body and soul. Our dedicated volunteers work tirelessly to provide a nurturing environment where horses are groomed, exercised and socialized to interact with visitors to the rescue.

Situated on 17 acres of protected farmland, the rescue has been successful in rescuing 16 horses, many of whom have come from neglected or abandoned existences, or worse, have faced the fate of a kill pen auction. But like the answer to the aforementioned question, we would like to rescue more, and in order for us to do so, we are in desperate need of ventilation units and fire prevention systems as well as medical cabinetry and turnout fencing.

Medical cabinetry and turnout fencing will enable us to create a new Medical Clinic & Education Center. Visitors to our rescue include everyone from school groups to special-needs children and adults, and with proper fencing, we can teach horses lunging and riding techniques while at the same time educate the public about the benefits of horse care and ownership. Medical cabinetry will enable us to safely store medical supplies and provide first-aid care locally rather than rely on the costly transport of horses to remote equine medical facilities.

Further, with proper ventilation units in our stables, we will be better equipped to control the number of flies during the summer months as well as provide a temperature-controlled environment for our horses year-round. Of course, all of this is academic without a fire prevention system in place to guard against the threat of fire.
The following is a list of estimated costs needed for our vision:

Category	Item	Vendor	Product #	Cost	Amount	Total
Barn Ventilation	• 36" ValuTek box fan with shutters	FarmTek 1395 John Fitch Blvd South Windsor, CT 06074 (800) 327-6835	116189 CR2095	$545 $45.95	2 2	$1,090 $91.90

Barn Fire Prevention System	• Retro-fitted, water-type fire prevention system utilizing non-toxic antifreeze			Estimate $1,000 - $2,000	1	$1,000 - $2,000
Medical Center	• Base cabinet w/6 doors and 3 drawers • Vertical medical storage cabinet	Paragon Medical P.O. Box 77187 Coral Springs, FL 33077 (800) 780-5266	8072 PI-C3	$1,088 $1,690	1 1	$1,088 $1,690
Fencing	• 18 - 12' panels with 6'x9' bow gate	Wahlberg Texas Corp. (farmranchstore.com) 9701 Dessau Rd., #607 Austin, TX 78754 (512) 264-2024	UP70	$2,591	1	$2,591
					Subtotal	**$7,550.90 - $8,550.90**

As you know, the operation of a rescue requires much more than the items mentioned above, but this list encompasses what we feel is crucial for expanding our ability to rescue more horses that would otherwise be lost to neglect, mistreatment and ill-fated futures.

Plans are already underway for building a second stable, and with your funding combined with our yearly fundraising and sponsorship initiatives, we expect to double the number of horses we can save and rehabilitate. Additionally, we also expect to increase our ability hold more educational events for the public. It is our belief that through more public awareness will come more donations and opportunities to grow.

We want to thank you for your time and consideration in reviewing our proposal. Together, with your gracious assistance, we can increase our abilities as a rescue while continuing to safely engage and educate the community about the benefits of equine welfare.

Please join us in our mission of caring for a horse's mind, body and soul…we know you care just as much as we do.

Thank you.

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