

Community Information & Volunteer Centre

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Volunteers needed to tackle paperwork

Arion Therapeutic Farm wants to give its volunteers a leg up by taming a binder full of volunteers.

There's no debating this successful East Kelowna therapy program has grown astronomically in its three short years. Now accommodating a volunteer membership of 130 dedicated souls, and servicing over 100 riding clients weekly, the farm has hit a stumbling block.

Its leadership has secured a property to work from, horses, on-site housing and a petting farm, but the paperwork is snowballing.

As such, the farm needs of a very special person capable of taming "binders of volunteers." They're kidding—it's just one binder.

Just as the horses need exercise and the clients need appointments booked, the farm needs a volunteer with the time and energy to take stock of those who have already stepped into the ring to help.

Anyone with keen computer skills, an eye for organization and creative problem solving would be a real asset to this growing operation.

Therapeutic riding provides strength training and balance work for those with mobility issues, and social interaction and cognitive engagement for those with developmental disabilities and mental health issues.

Arion Therapeutic Farm is always recruiting for new volunteers and will launch a new membership drive with this project complete.

Its clients range in age from five years old to 95 years old and require plenty of hands on deck to ensure each session is meaningful.

To help with this unique volunteer management project or inquire about working at the farm, please contact Arion Therapeutic Farm at 778-477-1006.

If you have selected administration as an 'area of interest' on your volunteer profile, you will receive a notice in your email in-box about getting involved with Arion Therapeutic Farm. These e-matches are confidential.

You can view this and other volunteer opportunities are kcr.ca.

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