



# sanctuaryone

at Double Oak Farm

## The year is half over and a lot has been happening at Sanctuary One.

With the generosity of the Raymond Family Foundation, Sanctuary One was able to purchase a brand-new truck, which saved us from having to spend annual funds on very expensive maintenance for our old one. The new truck had its debut in the April Pear Blossom Festival where Sanctuary One had the honor of being the Grand Marshal!



**Our new truck, thanks to the generosity of the Raymond Family Foundation**

This year has given us some challenges as we've been without a Program Manager (who runs our earth and people programming), but the work hasn't stopped! The team has worked hard and with our community support (another successful Volunteer Week!) a lot of fantastic projects happened on the care farm.

### As COVID restrictions eased, more student groups returned to the farm.

We have had ten in-person field trips and two virtual field trips since January that have reached over 760 students from Oregon and five other states. One local teacher tells us,

*“Our 5th grade class had the most amazing field trip to Sanctuary One. They learned about the Earth, the forest and of course their cute animals. The love and care they show these animals is remarkable. This is the first time some of these animals are ever being shown love. Our students are still talking about this trip! Some loved Sanctuary One so much that they are volunteering there.”* Hearing about youth connecting to animals and the Earth at a young age is exciting and a big part of our work. We have several summer field trips lined up, as well as several animal adoption meet-and-greets coming up in July. We're also excited that our new Program Manager will be starting in July!



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### This year has already been great for adoptions at Sanctuary One!

We've had 53 adoptions so far and we're looking forward to helping even more animals find their forever home, animals like Wynnie, Sherman, and Weeju—three shepherd mixes. After receiving all the medical care that puppies need, including spaying and neutering, they went up for adoption. Each one found their own forever home—one even went to a Sanctuary One volunteer family! Wynnie's new mom writes, *“Sanctuary One has been such an amazing place to*



*Left to right: Wynnie relaxing in her new home; Sweet, social Nimbus awaits his forever home; Debbie, an eight year volunteer, with mini horses Frank and Ruby*

*volunteer for! The people there are kind, compassionate and have such giant hearts for the animals they care for and for the people who come to visit. We were so fortunate to meet our sweet dog Wynnie while we were volunteering! The adoption process was very thorough—they checked our references and made sure our other dog got along with Wynnie. I highly recommend Sanctuary One to all and am so grateful to have them in our community helping both animals and people!”*

Sweet, social Nimbus—an FIV+ cat who survived a fire, is also here at Sanctuary One and we’re hoping to find his forever home. When he was rescued, his fur was so matted that his tail had been shaved. He has a small scar around his eye that tells of what he’s survived, but his past doesn’t stop him from being a sweetheart. He asks for attention the moment you walk into the cottage. In fact, Nimbus has been a favorite with service-learning folks coming to Sanctuary One for therapy, and it goes both ways—they help him, and he helps them.

**Your investment in Sanctuary One makes a difference in the lives of animals in need**, like Wynnie, Sherman, Weeju, and Nimbus. Your contribution makes it possible for our field trip students to experience hands on learning about animals and the Earth. You’re helping not just Sanctuary One, but Project Youth+, Central Medford High Transition Team, Living Opportunity, Inspire House, Compass House, and so many more who visit the care farm for animal and horticultural therapy, as well as job training. You’re educating the next generation of animal caregivers and educators through our onsite internship program—we’ve had three onsite interns this year already.

**Your investment in Sanctuary One provides stability so we can continue to keep the farm gates open** to rescue more animals when our partner agencies and law enforcement call for help. We are rescuing animals, providing healing, life-changing opportunities for at-risk youth, and helping heal the Earth one seedling at a time. When you invest in Sanctuary One, you’re saving and changing lives forever.

With gratitude,

Megan Flowers, *Sanctuary One Executive Director*



*Top to bottom: Crater Transition Program and Crater Renaissance Academy MAPS Plus students visiting for a field trip; Pavarotti’s 19th birthday celebration; Pippa the pig enjoying company during Volunteer Week*