OUR MISSION:
THROUGH INDUSTRY COLLABORATION, THE UNITED HORSE COALITION PROMOTES EDUCATION AND OPTIONS FOR HORSES AT-RISK OR IN TRANSITION.

THE UNITED HORSE COALITION IS COMMITTED TO HELPING HORSES AT-RISK OR IN TRANSITION BY:

- **Educating** current and prospective horse owners on how to **own responsibly**: including proper care, breeding, and options available to owners before a horse becomes at-risk.
- **Raising awareness** of the issue of at-risk horses and its consequences within the horse industry.
- **Reducing the number of at-risk horses** and working towards eliminating the problem.
- **Ensuring that horses are treated humanely and with dignity throughout their lives**.
- **Facilitating the exchange of information** on adoption, care, and alternative careers available.
- **Providing information** on end-of-life decisions, including veterinary decisions, euthanasia, and disposal.
- **Explaining the issue** through presentations at industry gatherings, such as symposiums, expo’s, conferences, summits, and fairs.

For more information please check out: www.unitedhorsecoalition.org

HELP US, HELP YOU:

Funding is necessary to ensure that the mission of the United Horse Coalition is continued. Membership in the UHC is available at several levels. For a current list of our Member Organizations, please visit the UHC website at:

www.unitedhorsecoalition.org

BECOME A MEMBER OR DONATE TODAY.

If you’d like to join this important effort on behalf of America’s Horses, please contact us at:

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**EDUCATE:**

**MATERIALS AVAILABLE ON THE UHC WEBSITE OR HARDCOPY:**

- The UHC Handbook, Own Responsibly: Guidance for Current and Potential Horse Owners from the United Horse Coalition.
- UHC Own Responsibly Brochure
- UHC Gelding/Spaying Brochure
- The 2009 Unwanted Horse Survey
- Rehabilitating the Neglected Horse: A Caregiver’s Guide

The United Horse Coalition is continuously expanding its collection of resources...

**ADVOCATE:**

**THE AT-RISK HORSE:**

A 2009 survey conducted by the UHC revealed three primary reasons why a horse reaches an at-risk state:

1. changes in owner’s situation
2. the horse is too old or injured
3. the horse is unmanageable

**OWN RESPONSIBLY, OWNING RESPONSIBILITY:**

Regardless of how a particular horse reaches a state of being at-risk, it is the responsibility of every owner, and the industry at large, to ensure that we are doing everything possible to prevent horses from becoming at-risk. Luckily, this issue is recognized by equine organizations, businesses, and individuals alike, and is one for which numerous industry groups are currently working towards a solution.

The United Horse Coalition is one of them.

**UHC RESOURCE DATABASE:**

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**RESOURCES FOR CURRENT OWNERS:**

- Facilities that accept horses
- Questions to ask before surrendering/retiring a horse.
- Feed and Hay Safety Net Programs
- Castration programs and clinics
- Funding for Veterinary Care
- Euthanasia programs and clinics
- Information on helping owners in end of life decisions
- Racing aftercare, placement, and training.
- Other programs

**RESOURCES FOR RESCUES/SANCTUARIES:**

- Guidelines for Rescues
- Accreditation
- Matching programs for Horses and Prospective Adopters
- Non Profit Management/Fundraising
- Equine Welfare Grants
- USTA financial assistance

**RESOURCES FOR PROSPECTIVE OWNERS:**

- Owning responsibly
- Finding “The Right Horse”
- Basic Horse Care and Costs
- Alternatives to buying a horse
- Is horse ownership right for me?
- and other important information

If you would like to help horses at risk or in transition, and want to be added to the UHC Resource database, please contact uhc@horsecouncil.org, or visit the UHC website at www.unitedhorsecoalition.org.

**COLLABORATE:**

**WHO WE ARE:**

The United Horse Coalition is a broad alliance of equine organizations that have joined together under the American Horse Council (AHC) to educate the equine industry about the issue of horses at-risk or in transition.

The UHC is an educational alliance that seeks to provide information for current and prospective owners, breeders, sellers, and horse organizations, regarding the long-term responsibilities of owning and caring for horses, as well as focusing on opportunities available for these horses. UHC also provides information regarding end of life decisions, including veterinary care, euthanasia, and disposal options.

The United Horse Coalition works closely with industry leaders and equine organizations to stay up-to-date on current issues and initiatives.