Youth Projects at Pegasus

Pegasus is fortunate to have many friends in the community who strongly believe in our mission and want to share their talents with us. As a PATH International Premier Accredited Center, we are required to follow certain guidelines regarding youths under the age of 14. While they are not permitted to assist in the barn or in program, there are other ways they can help and also fulfill the requirements of their school or religious projects.

THE RIDER’S CLOSET
Founded by Georgina Bloomberg in 2006 and relocated to Pegasus Farm in 2010, The Rider’s Closet is a charitable equestrian clothing exchange program. Donors send us new or gently used equestrian apparel, and Pegasus volunteers fill hundreds of requests from pony clubs, collegiate riders, therapeutic riding students and individual competitors throughout the U.S.

Youths can help in two ways: visiting local riding centers to gather donations, and helping in The Rider’s Closet itself. Donation gathering usually involves dropping off containers at riding facilities and returning to pick up any donations. Depending on the age and skill level of the youth, helping in The Rider’s Closet may include sorting donations, assisting in order fulfillment, and helping our TRC volunteers keep the inventory organized.

ART PROJECTS
If a youth is artistically inclined, we will work with him or her on creating an art project that ties into topics our students are learning about in program. For instance, a youth could create a diagram of a horse with its various body parts illustrated, or a poster with information, photos and/or drawings about traditional English tack or common horse breeds. When completed, the project could be used by our staff in program.

SPECIAL EVENTS
Depending on the time of year, youths can complete their projects by assisting at special events. Tasks may include event setup, working at a booth, lending a hand in the office and helping us coordinate event activities.

FUNDRAISING
Several youths have used their talent for jewelry-making, baking, art, etc. to create and sell items for the benefit of Pegasus. Others have collected donations of jewelry or similar items and sold them to benefit us. We are open to discussing this type of project, but it is the responsibility of the youth and his or her parents to ensure they have proper permission to sell the items at school, religious venues or wherever they choose to sell them.

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