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The Tom Ro Haven for Equines and Children is a registered NPO 100-279 and PBO 930050464 and was founded in 2012. We have been approved by SARS for Tax Exemption Status and as such can issue Section 18A Tax certificates for all donations received.

Tom Ro Haven rescues abused, unwanted, neglected and injured donkeys, horses and ponies. We rehabilitate these animals and use them to assist young people who have issues with substance abuse, who have been physically and sexually abused, who are depressed and who want the opportunity to learn a skill and a sport. We are now also working with victims of human trafficking. We currently have 12 horses and 8 ponies.

Equine Assisted therapy is a globally recognised form of therapy and has been well documented and researched and results published.

We teach the young people who come to us about conservation, general animal management, horse management and riding lessons in all of the equestrian disciplines.

We have seen the results of this work, they have developed self-confidence, school work has improved, there has been a significant improvement in behaviour and a realisation that there is hope and they can set goals and achieve them. They become empathetic, have a new found respect for themselves and others be it other people or animals and have become motivated to achieve something.

We try as far as possible to assist them with goal setting, bursaries, part time work and materials and equipment needed for school and college.

We also collect and buy clothing for them as well as blankets and toiletries and anything else they may need that we can possibly provide.

We have rescued as many horses that we can at the moment as we are restricted by finances. There are hundreds of horses being euthanized and abused and not enough is being done. We intend to develop a sterilisation program in the Western Cape and expanding to the rest of the country in an attempt to curb the breeding. Breeding needs to be regulated regardless as to the reason for breeding, there are too many horses in South Africa at the moment and they deserve better than to be just destroyed!

At Tom Ro we want to be able to offer non-profit livery options, which means that someone will just pay what it costs for the horse and nothing else and in this way it will become affordable for more people to own horses.

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We are in desperate need of suitable tack for the horses as we had all of our tack stolen two years ago and still have not managed to replace it all. We need contributions towards oat hay and Lucerne, a horse box, a vehicle that can tow a horse box and transport some people.

We are currently based in Cape Point. This property has been sold and all of the tenants were told mid December that they have to vacate by the end of February, so we are also looking for premises. We cannot afford to pay a groom so all maintenance and cleaning, and feeding is done by myself and my daughter and sometimes other people assist.

We also need to set up an arena for schooling and teaching people and that would then be a source of income.

We receive about R5000-00 per month on a regular basis and we are very grateful for this. Unfortunately we have run out of personal items to sell now, so we are in a desperate situation.

We receive regular calls to assist more horses and people and we cannot as the funds do not allow it.

We would ideally like to secure our own property in the future.

There are so many horses that need help, from ex race horses that need a space to come down and just be horses, before being schooled and finding homes, to abused and neglected horses of all breeds . if people cannot be educated to understand the importance of treating horses with respect and compassion, how can we hope to awaken empathy and compassion for wild animals and the environment.

Cape Town and indeed South Africa, has become a violent country, with people of all races being subjected to horrific forms of abuse and murder. We have to keep working on rescuing more people as well as horses , because we have made a difference and we continue to make a difference.

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