



THE BARNYARD BULLETIN

October 2025

September Recap

- We kicked off our Fall program with a total of 30 participants and 3 session instructors- our largest program yet!
- We spent the morning supporting the Girl Scouts with the Smorevivor event!
- We celebrated Parent Day where Loyalist level parents could come out and visit their “adopted” animal.
- We had a lovely visit from members of the REC-ing Crew, which provides adaptive, recreational activities to individuals of all abilities. Check them out at therecingcrew.com



Thank You Sponsors!

A big thank you to all the Your Pie locations across the CSRA for hosting our Community Nights! Thanks to their generosity and your incredible support, we were able to raise funds that go directly toward benefiting our programs.



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What's Happening at Cooper Ridge?



Family Fun Day

Family Fun Day is almost here! Join us on November 1 for one of our favorite farm traditions, where Cooper Ridge families, board members, and volunteers come together for a day full of laughter and memories. Enjoy delicious food, inflatables, games, and more! Don't forget to check out our Cooper Ridge merchandise and enter for your chance to win exciting raffle and silent auction prizes.

Grants

We're deeply grateful to Attic Treasures and the GA Rehabilitation Institute for their generous grants supporting scholarship funds for our participants. Their contributions help ease costs for families and allow us to carry on our mission!



Thanks, US Army!

A huge thank you to the Army Senior Leadership Course students for spending the day with us—helping clear trees and clean up debris left behind by Hurricane Helene in our back pasture. Our nature trail is now accessible again because of their hard work!

Group Visits

Exciting things are happening at Cooper Ridge! This October, students from the AU Speech Program will be visiting the farm to observe a session and brainstorm project ideas that can be brought to life here at Cooper Ridge. We will also be hosting a school group from Greenbrier High School where we'll get to share what it is we do at the farm!

Need help finding local support resources?

Cooper Ridge now has a resource directory of local therapy clinics, recreational organizations, employment opportunities and support groups. Just ask for a copy!

Did you know?

Donkey's long ears are more than just an added cuteness factor! They act as fans filled with blood vessels to dissipate heat.

How Can I Help?

Donate Now!



<https://cooperridgefarm.org/donate>



Amazon Wishlist

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Tractor Supply Wishlist



<https://shorturl.at/zrJR9>



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Meet The Team



Participant Spotlight: Morgan Guiton

Meet Morgan! She's been part of the Cooper Ridge Family for 4 years. Her favorite animals on the farm are the pigs. Her favorite thing to do on the farm is visit with the cows- especially bonding with our calf, Qiwi through brushing and pets. We've loved seeing her blossom into the kind and thoughtful young lady she has become!

Animal Partner: Diego

Meet Diego! He and his brother joined the farm 3 years ago and have been filling our days with laughter and love ever since. The two are inseparable—you'll rarely find them more than a few feet apart! Diego's favorite treat are strawberries, though he's never one to turn down a snack. Right now, he's learning to use push-to-talk buttons to request his favorite goodies!



Staff Spotlight: Katelyn Williams

Meet Katelyn! A true Cooper Ridge original, she's been part of our family for 4 years. Katelyn first came to the farm for sessions, where her love for the animals quickly blossomed. After graduating high school, she stepped into her first job as our administrative assistant and volunteer coordinator. Known as our resident artist, Katelyn uses her creativity to design activities for participants and lends her talents to countless projects around the farm. Her passion for the animals shines through in everything she does, and we are so grateful for her insight and support!



Upcoming Events

October 25
Buddy Walk
10AM-1PM
Evans Towne Center Park

October 30-31
Farm Closed

November 1
Family Fun Day
12-3PM

November 29
Santa Drop In
10AM-12PM



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