## **Prince Part 5: Making Friends**

All the while we were letting Prince out in the run to enjoy the sunshine during the day, we brought him back into his stall before bringing in the rest of the horses. Then on April 4th, we felt Prince was ready to meet his neighbor, Rio, out in the run for the first time. It was necessary for Sue to stand by (with the lunge whip) to protect Rio in the event there was aggression as Prince did not have equine social skills and may still be reacting in stallion mode. But, gratefully, the meeting could not have gone more beautifully! Within a short time, they were grooming each other over the fence and Prince was clearly liking being able to touch another equine. Rio did a great job of making Prince's first interaction with another equine a good experience. We are so thrilled for Prince that he now has his first friend- another big step!

Stay tuned, we have a lot more coming in this next chapter!

