



# Galloping Grace Youth Ranch



## Volunteer Position Descriptions

Help us bring *PURE JOY* to children by volunteering at Galloping Grace Youth Ranch!

Enjoy the satisfaction of serving others and making a difference  
in your community, all while having *FUN!*

**Administrative Support Volunteer Opportunities:** Volunteer tasks will vary depending on the need, but may include data entry, assistance with mailings, addressing and/or stuffing envelopes, making copies, distributing flyers, and helping with seasonal events.

Annual Pumpkin Patch: distribute flyers, assist with the delivery of marketing materials and sponsorship banners.

**Group Volunteer Opportunities:** Larger projects for groups or multiple volunteers. Specific needs will vary, but tasks may include **the** building of greenhouses/portable chicken coops, reorganizing and cleaning storage units/trailers, trash/weed pick-up, painting/weather-proofing of structures, and maintenance of livestock shelters.

Annual Pumpkin Patch (October @ the Star Center in Rio Rancho): During the months of September through November, tasks will include setting up the Pumpkin Patch, assistance during the event (cashiers, stocking pumpkins, animal management, etc.), and event clean-up.

**Individual Volunteer Opportunities:** General ranch tasks may include watering the trees, maintaining tree water wells, cleaning and watering livestock tubs, cleaning livestock pens, feeding livestock, manure/trash/weed pickup, removing old food and hay, replacing hay in bedding areas.

Greenhouse duties may include turning compost, adding new bedding, cleaning and watering livestock tubs, feeding, taking temperatures, collecting and cleaning eggs for distribution, trash/weed pickup, checking animal fencing and securing, if needed.

Summer Camp duties may include greeting campers, addressing questions, ensuring the safety of youth at the ranch, assisting with camp activities, teaching youth about livestock, ranching and farming practices, etc.

Food Recovery duties will take place at Roadrunner Food Bank in the early mornings (~6-8 am). Duties will include loading/unloading expired food into bins and rinsing the bins. The qualified volunteer will be able to manage manual labor, lifting ~50 pounds.

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**Special Event Volunteer Opportunities:** Pork and Brew (@ the Star Center in Rio Rancho): The event runs the first weekend of July, typically 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend. Duties include hauling materials from the ranch to the Star Center, and the set-up and tear-down of the Petting Zoo, Pig Races and other attractions, as needed. During the event, we'll need assistance overseeing and managing the Petting Zoo, Pig Races and other attractions.

Pumpkin Patch (@ the Star Center in Rio Rancho): During set-up (September) and break-down (November) of the event, specific needs will vary, but tasks will include hauling materials from the ranch to the Star Center, setting-up and breaking-down livestock pens and gaming attractions.

During the Pumpkin Patch (month of October), duties include cashiering, stocking pumpkins, running pumpkin wagons, livestock management, and Petting Zoo/Pig Racing admission. In addition, three "Manager on Duty" positions are critical to the success of managing the event and coordinating onsite roles and responsibilities\*.

*\*A background check is required for all volunteers working with our Youth Programs, Cashiers, and Pumpkin Patch Managers on Duty.*

*\*\*Volunteer Orientation & Training - some volunteer positions require a mandatory 1-2 hour training session. The orientation provides an overview of GGYR's mission, day to day ranch tasks, and safety protocol. Orientation and training for group volunteers and special event volunteers are also available but will be conducted on an as-needed basis. Please note that attending this orientation is necessary prior to signing up as a volunteer. To register for the Volunteer Orientation & Training, visit our website for upcoming dates and times.*

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To learn more or register for the Volunteer Orientation & Training, visit our website for upcoming dates and times. All Volunteer Orientation & Training will be held at Galloping Grace Youth Ranch (1500 Sea Road NE, Rio Rancho) or onsite at a Special Event location (TBD).

If you have questions about our Volunteer Opportunities, please feel free to contact us at [volunteers@ggyr.org](mailto:volunteers@ggyr.org).

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