

A Few of the Organizations Served by Country Ark Farm

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 Bushkill PA Elementary School—Life Skills
 Camp Netimus—Milford, PA
 Camp Speers-Eljabar YMCA—PA
 Center for Developmental Disabilities—Milford, PA
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 Delaware Valley Elementary School—Milford, PA
 Delaware Valley Middle School—Milford, PA
 E. Stroudsburg (PA) High School Multiple Disability Support Class
 Fitzmaurice Community Services—Stroudsburg, PA
 Hamilton (PA) Elementary School Autistic Support
 Lehman (PA) Intermediate Unit #20
 Lehman (PA) Life Skills
 Middle Smithfield Elementary School—Stroudsburg, PA
 Open Vista—Middletown, NY
 Orange County (NY) AHRC
 Orange County (NY) ARC
 Pike County Developmental Center—Milford, PA
 Progressive Health—Milford, PA
 Resica (PA) Elementary School Autistic Support
 St. Joseph's Center—Scranton, PA
 Stroudsburg (PA) Intermediate Elementary School
 Sussex County (NJ) Association for Retarded Citizens
 Sussex (NJ) Middle School
 Swiftwater (PA) Elementary School
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We invite your support of CAF's efforts to touch the lives of the developmentally disabled through our life-changing programs.

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 Milford, PA 18337

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 Pet, Art & Recreational Therapies
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**Providing life-enriching experiences
 for the specially challenged through
 hands-on contact with gentle,
 people-friendly animals**

Serving the PA, NY and NJ region

Country Ark Farm

Nestled in the Delaware Highlands of northeastern Pennsylvania, Country Ark Farm (CAF) serves developmentally disabled children and adults through day and short-term residential programs in a peaceful farm setting, surrounded by friendly animals in an atmosphere of love and respect.

Our facility comprises a 26-acre farm with an enclosed petting area, clean handicapped-accessible restrooms, an outdoor play area with a wheelchair accessible swing, indoor and outdoor picnic areas and a mile-long nature trail.

The comforting wonders of nature and wildlife embrace visitors to CAF.



Our Mission

CAF was founded in 1990 with a commitment to enhance the quality of life for physically, emotionally and mentally challenged children and adults through direct, hands-on contact with a wide range of people-friendly animals and targeted recreational programs. The Farm is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that focuses on enhancing the quality of life for these individuals through experiences involving pet, art and recreational therapies.

Our Programs

CAF serves over 850 clients during our April through October visiting season. We're proud to provide over 100 people-friendly animals at CAF, ranging from rabbits, sheep, guinea pigs, goats, donkeys, horses, pigs and dogs to more exotic breeds such as emu, coati-mundi, African spur turtles, capybara, wallaby, peacocks and numerous reptiles. Through our controlled breeding program, we are able to ensure the



On-Site Group Programs

Our On-Site Group Program comprises a four-hour visit including a tour of the Farm, time to feed and handle the animals, play time following lunch and craft time.

This basic program may be modified to meet the needs and skills of the various groups visiting CAF. Other programs can be designed to fit any group, including shorter visits, off-site petting zoos and overnight respites.



availability of a variety of baby animals that can be handled and/or bottle-fed by our clients, providing for many a unique life-enriching experience.

Our disabled clients are served by a knowledgeable volunteer staff that assist with animal handling and care of visitors. The Farm also has an eight bedroom lodge that is handicap-accessible and available for overnight visits.



Summer Day Camp

Summer Day Camp is available for specially-abled children aged 4 to 18 years, residing in the PA, NY and NJ tri-state area. Camp hours are 8:00 am - 2:00 pm. Participants bring their own bag lunch, and CAF provides a week of fun, excitement and learning in a warm and friendly family/farm setting with skilled and certified staff.

Thanks to the Ingeborg A. Biondo Memorial Foundation, sponsorship assistance is available to qualified Summer Day Camp participants.

Respite Care Visits

Country Ark Farm also offers Respite Care Visits, a program designed for disabled children and their caregivers. This program provides a stimulating visit for a disabled child, including a one-on-one overnight in a loving family environment that allows the caregiver to have a day off with peace of mind that their loved one is having the time of his or her life.

Our Operations

CAF is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, and we are proud that over 90% of our annual budget goes to program activities. Our organization has no paid staff and is run by a small, experienced staff of dedicated volunteers. We rely upon the generosity of a small number of local foundations, individual donors, volunteers as well as an annual contribution from the Pike County United Way to fund and operate our growing program. We are also the proud beneficiary of gifts of animal food and produce from a variety of Pike County retailers.



Our Future

With rapidly growing demand for our services, Country Ark Farm must grow its annual operating budget. Every week we are contacted by additional organizations within the tri-state area that want their clients to partake in the unique programs of CAF. We are dedicated to increasing our Annual Fund through a variety of local fund-raising activities to meet the growing demand. CAF is also seeking increased annual funding to hire an Operations Director to supervise our current all-volunteer staff.

Capital Program

Country Ark Farm also plans capital improvements to the 26-acre farm. We're seeking additional sources of funding, including individual donations as well as state, federal and corporate grants, to fund several special projects to help us meet the growing need for our services.

Included among our future projects is an all-season Community House to enable us to expand our operating season and increase the number of clients served.

