The Lipizzan Rescue Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization advocating for the welfare of Lipizzan horses in North America.

The LRF is a non-paid, all-volunteer organization with 100% of all donations going directly to the horses in the form of care, transport, and training.

Assisting Lipizzan purebreds, crosses, and their owners in times of need.

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relies on volunteers and donated resources to undertake these efforts. Part of the LRF’s mission is to build a network of people across the USA to assist LRF Lipizzans.

Through donations, sponsorships, fosters, and adoptions, LRF participants aid the conservation of these rare bloodlines for the future.

A primary role of the LRF since its creation in 2009 is to discretely, and carefully, match adoptable horses to forever homes.

The Lipizzan, dating from 1580, is one of the oldest European horse breeds. Lipizzans were originally bred for strength, hardiness, temperament, endurance, and longevity for military purposes as well as for nobility.

For over 450 years, the Spanish Riding School of Vienna’s Lipizzan stallions have been the top representatives of classical dressage training and riding in the world.

Modern Lipizzans, with their high intelligence, loyalty, and athleticism, are now found in private hands. The breed’s timeless characteristics make the Lipizzan an ideal choice for any type of equestrian activity.

Current estimates for registered purebred Lipizzans in North America are 1,000, with around 300 registered partbreds.

In spite of being a rare breed, Lipizzans and their owners in North America are not immune from finding themselves in times of need.

It’s not always easy to identify the Lipizzan. The Lipizzan breed standard can be found at: www.uslipizzan.org/lipizzan-breed-standard. If you suspect a horse in need could be a Lipizzan, the LRF is able to assist with DNA identification.

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