



at Joppa Hill, Inc.

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Dear Friend of the Farm,

On behalf of the Educational Farm at Joppa Hill, Inc., we are reaching out to you asking for your financial support. The upcoming winter months are the leanest financially at the Farm since our primary income-producing activities and events occur in the Spring, Summer and Fall.

The Educational Farm is a small and special gem. It's a rare and special place and is a respite for families and individuals to get away from the hectic world and enjoy the harmony of a working farm and the open space around it. The smell of freshly mown hay, the soft clucking of hens as they sit patiently on their straw nests, calm horses waiting to be groomed and petted all draw children as well as adults. Enjoying the laughter of small children as goats nibble at their clothes, and exploring the many acres of beautiful fields and woods melts away stress and brings a smile to the faces of all of our visitors. Children who attend summer camp often return year after year, and their families appreciate the joy in their faces as well as the valuable knowledge they gain about agriculture, respect for living things and open space.

Much of our work is accomplished via donations of goods, services and charitable contributions from individuals and local businesses. Any support you could provide would greatly assist our ability to operate through the financially lean winter months. The Farm costs \$4,000 per month to operate.

The Educational Farm at Joppa Hill is a 35 acre farm whose mission is to increase public awareness of open space, sustainable agriculture and the environment by operating a working farm, providing interactive educational programs and promoting first-hand experience through community involvement.

The Farm is the only remaining one of its kind in Bedford. The Farm is home to about 20 animals: three horses, two ponies, two sheep, two pigs, two goats, a donkey, a mule and chickens. The Farm fundraises for operating expenses via: summer day camps, horseback riding lessons, adult seminars, and fundraising efforts such as auctions, raffles, and fairs. The Farm is run by volunteers and a part-time Executive Director.

If you chose to donate, please feel free to do so via PayPal on our website or send a check to the above address. No gift is too small. The Educational Farm is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Our Federal Tax ID number is 59-3779081. Your donation may be tax deductible, please check with your financial advisor.

For more information about the Farm's needs and financials click [here](http://www.theeducationalfarm.org/WishList.html) if you are receiving this letter electronically or go to the following website: <http://www.theeducationalfarm.org/WishList.html>

Thank you for your consideration.

Warmly,

Treasurer, EFJH, Inc.  
On Behalf of The Board of Directors  
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