

Laura's Story (2017)

"Laura has Microcephaly and has severe cognitive delay. She is completely nonverbal but when she gets on her horse, Stella, she doesn't stop "talking". You can see just how proud she is of herself when she is riding and she smiles the whole time!

*Riding her favorite horse, Stella, also helps Laura's muscles. Laura had surgery on both of her legs two years ago. She was very weak after spending 8 weeks in a hospital bed. **Getting Laura back on her horse helped speed up her recovery.***



Laura immediately gets so excited pulling into Freedom Farm. She can lead me right to where she is supposed to go. She LOVES to hear Susie talk and thinks she is the most hilarious person on the planet.

Laura has made some very special friends at Freedom Farm. My favorite part of the session is watching them hug after they are done. It is so joyful.



Laura wouldn't be able to participate in Therapeutic Horseback Riding if not for all the time the volunteers put in. She trusts her volunteers to keep her safe and I love to see her engaging with them. I am so thankful they give their time to this program so Laura can have these experiences. All the volunteers make Freedom Farm a welcoming place to walk into. You can feel the love when there. Thank you to all who volunteer their time and those who give financial support to Freedom Farm. Freedom Farm is a remarkable place."

By Laura's Mom, Nicole