

## ACTIVE ADULT PROGRAM

# Active Adult Read and Go Trip - Joey: How a Blind Rescue Horse Helped Others Learn



**If you love horses and stories of hope this trip is for you.  
Tuesday, October 21, 2025**

Join us for a visit to Hope Reins, a place where hope and healing truly come to life. Joey, a horse whose remarkable journey is told in the true story *Joey: How a Blind Rescue Horse Helped Others Learn to See* by Jennifer Marshall Bleakley, legacy continues to inspire. Once a prized show horse, Joey's career ended abruptly after an injury. What followed was a season of abuse and neglect—until a rescue group stepped in and brought him to Hope Reins.

Joey's journey from brokenness to healing became a living symbol of hope. At Hope Reins, a non-profit, children facing their own crises are paired with rescued horses, discovering that healing is possible and that no one is ever forgotten.

- Depart from Anne Gordon Active Adult Center at 9:15 a.m.
- Visit Hope Reins for a guided tour, talk on their history and Joey (donations accepted).
- Lunch on your own at Lafayette Village.
- Return to Anne Gordon Center 1:30 p.m.

Cost: \$15/Residents & Non-residents

Register online at [reclink.raleighnc.gov](https://reclink.raleighnc.gov) by searching 'trip' under "Activities," or in-person at any of the facilities listed below.

### What's Included

- Department transportation
- Guided tour of Hope Reins, their history and stories of Joey.
- Lunch on your own at Lafayette Village

### Patron Expectations

This trip has a moderate to high volume of walking and standing expected. There may be some steps, uneven paths with loose bricks, and gravel. Patron must be able to keep to the scheduled timeline of the trip. Please remember there is no one-on-one assistance provided by the escorts.

### Cancellation Policy

Cancellations must be made in writing at least 14 days prior to trip departure date to receive a refund. Full or partial refunds are subject to non-refundable expenses incurred by the Department. If the Department cancels a trip, a full refund will be given. Submit withdrawal letter to Carmen Rayfield at [carmen.rayfield@raleighnc.gov](mailto:carmen.rayfield@raleighnc.gov) or in-person at any Active Adult Center.

### Active Adult Program

Anne Gordon Center for Active Adults (919) 996-4720

Five Points Center for Active Adults (919) 996-4730

Walnut Terrace Center (919) 996-6160

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