



*We found an ideal property for our motherhouse!*

*Can you help us make this a reality?*

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Dear friends,

Our warmest regards to you all! We invite you to share this needs letter with anyone who might be interested in helping in our work of protecting children and healing relationships within individuals, families and marriages.

We of the Franciscan Congregation of Divine Mercy seek to reconcile relationships with self, others and God by a multi-layered approach which involves using nature, therapy animals, teaching, catechesis, spiritual direction, trauma-informed life coaching and more. Many of the situations of those we serve are very painful and serious, touching on deep traumas and even thoughts of suicide. At our farm, children, especially, naturally open up when they are able to play, have fun, and interact with our ten magnificent horses. The horses are a vital part of our program.

We help those who come to us free of charge and we are not financially supported by any individual parish or diocese. Because we don't fundraise, we are dependent upon others to share our needs. We then rely upon God's Providence to supply for them.

Our current facilities limit both our potential to help others and our growth potential as a community. We need a new home with a larger tract of land, housing, facilities with a greater capacity for people and a heated indoor arena for year-round therapy work with the horses. We seek a place to be our motherhouse where we could train many Sisters and send them throughout the world to continue our mission of healing and reconciliation. We have found an ideal place to set up our motherhouse and we need funds to make this a reality.

This ideal place is Cannon River Ranches. It is located north of River Falls, Wisconsin and it has all the land, housing, barns and arenas that would be necessary until we finally build our chapel and monastery. We have investigated many different properties and possibilities and we have not found another possibility that even closely matches Cannon River Ranches. One of the best things about it is that if we were to move there, we would be able to have our programs for the people up and running in a short amount of time because all the facilities are there for present needs and for growth. Most other places we considered have lacked the necessary things like stabling, indoor arenas, warm rooms and bathrooms for the people who come to us.

Although Cannon River Ranches lists at 5.7 million dollars, both the land (320 acres) and the buildings make it a very good buy financially because if we tried to build them, it would cost us about \$10 million for land and buildings. Time is of the essence if we are to obtain this property since it already has interested buyers. Please help us if you can so we can continue and increase our help to those in need. For those interested, here is our link to PayPal: [https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted\\_button\\_id=K8E74UUUDSUWU](https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=K8E74UUUDSUWU) For any other questions, please contact us at [franciscancongofdivinemeracy@gmail.com](mailto:franciscancongofdivinemeracy@gmail.com) or call us at (715) 451-2395.

We are deeply grateful for your time, consideration, and all your prayers. We will keep you in our prayers always. May God bless each of you and your families abundantly.

In His Merciful Love,

*Mother Mary Veronica Fitch    Sister Maria Lucia    Grace (aspirant)*

P.S. We also have a YouTube video on our current need: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pwcUxO-dpwA>