



Horse & Buddy

Therapeutic Riding Program



2022

SAFETY • PROFESSIONALISM • COMPASSION • RESPECT • FUN!



OUR MISSION:

At *Horse and Buddy* our mission is to enrich the lives of individuals with diverse needs through equine assisted therapies and activities in a safe, caring, and inclusive environment.

OUR RESULTS:

Riders time in program:



Improvements based on parent/caregiver survey responses.

OUR RIDERS:

126
RIDERS SERVED

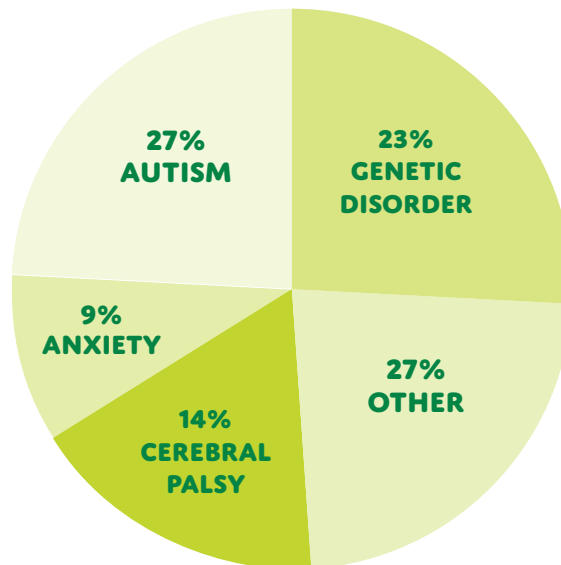
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RIDES GIVEN

100%

WOULD RECOMMEND THE PROGRAM TO OTHERS



TYPES OF DISABILITIES SERVED:



THE YEAR IN REVIEW:

2022 was an incredible year for *Horse and Buddy*. It started with a bang when we bought our land. That comes with 20 years of payments, but it's still OURS!! Our therapeutic riding program offered more rides than ever before, averaging 110 riders every week in the program. We held multiple mindfulness retreats, serving over 80 individuals and their families.

We started a brand new program - **Silver Saddles** - supporting 63 wonderful seniors in our first year. We took our new miniature horse, Finn, on several field trips to visit folks at the Ronald McDonald House, senior centers, and a woman's shelter. At the end of the year, we surveyed the families of our riders and our volunteers. We found so much love for our program – here are a few of the highlights:



“There’s nothing more rewarding than seeing the smiles, the improvements, the happiness that this program brings to these riders. I wish I could volunteer every day.” —Volunteer

“Horse and Buddy is a wonderful organization that I am proud to be a part of. The leadership and programs are exceptional.” —Volunteer

“Horse and Buddy is an exemplary program all around. Having been involved in organized sports myself, I can attest that it checks all the boxes for its riders by cultivating: socioemotional growth, confidence, discipline, attention to detail, perseverance, respect for the horses and equipment, and growing as a community of riders.” —Parent

“My rider looks forward to the connection he has with his instructor and the volunteers. Horse and Buddy is about belonging. There is no judgement. You just come as you are and ride.” —Parent

“How thankful I am to have a place like Horse and Buddy in my life!” —Volunteer

OUR VOLUNTEERS:

6365
VOLUNTEER HOURS

100-150
OF VOLUNTEERS

How long have you been a volunteer at *Horse and Buddy*?

22%

Less than 1 year

38%

1-3 years

32%

4-9 years

8%

10+ years

Would you recommend the program to others?

100%