

Programming Overview

The Equestrian Therapy Program offers a variety of programming, which has a broad impact on the community.

Therapeutic Riding

Therapeutic riding has proven effective as recreational therapy in the treatment of various disabilities, including:

- Cerebral Palsy
- Autism
- Mental Retardation
- Down Syndrome
- Muscular Dystrophy
- Paralysis
- Brain Injuries
- Multiple Sclerosis
- Asperger's Syndrome
- Social Phobias



Rider & Two Volunteers from our 2011 Fun Show

Hippotherapy

Hippotherapy is a one-on-one riding session involving a client and a Physical Therapist, using the horse as a fun and effective way to meet the client's physical and cognitive goals. This also involves a variety of disabilities, including:

- Autism
- Cerebral Palsy
- Developmental Delay
- Spina Bifida

Equine-Facilitated Education

We work with clients on team building, self-esteem, and the importance of respect for themselves and others.



Horses for Heroes

This is our newest program, reaching out to Afghanistan and Iraqi Veterans. These classes are similar to other Therapeutic Riding classes; however, goals and objectives are targeted to meet their needs.

Anyone interested in more information is encouraged to look at our website, call the office, or come to the farm!

This is a great opportunity for many types of internships *and* is a great place to obtain valuable community service hours.



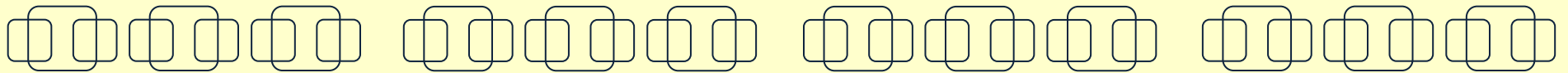
Working Students

We want Volunteers & Interns!



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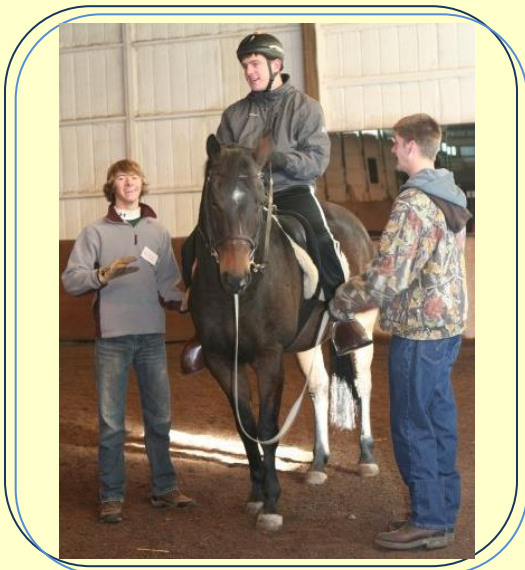


Volunteers

We cannot say enough about our helping hands!

Our Volunteers have the unique opportunity of working hands-on with a wide group of individuals and disabilities. They also get the joy of handling and working with our “therapists” - the horses!

Long-time volunteers will tell you that this is a fulfilling experience!



Internships

The Equestrian Therapy Program has had numerous dedicated interns. Internship positions are almost always available. We would love to hear from you to see if our program would be right for educational requirements!

We have had the privilege of working with students in such majors as:

- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Exercise Physiology
- Recreational Therapy

Our interns will work directly with staff and clients. They will gain experience with non-profit organizations, facility management, and helping individuals with disabilities . . . and much more.

Contact our office for a unique and memorable experience.

Horse Pals

Horse Pals are responsible for grooming and giving their Program Horse extra TLC. They also should clean their horse’s stall and give the horse fresh water.

Horse Pals are asked to clean and love their assigned horse each Sunday and assigned holidays.

Horse Exercisers

Horse exercisers are needed to keep Program horses in good physical condition - allowing them to better perform their job while limiting soreness and injuries.

Horse exercisers must be able to keep a horse on the aids and be able to supple the horse at the walk, trot, and canter.

This also allows exercisers the opportunity to ride a variety of horses with different backgrounds and training.

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