



Equest Center for Therapeutic Riding
MISSION STATEMENT

We improve quality of life through equine-based therapy to physically, mentally and socially/emotionally challenged individuals. Our unique program integrates academic, social and physical skills, using the horse as a catalyst.

Year Founded: 1990 **YEAR ROUND** Programing

Age of Participants : 2 to 100 years old

Serving: 185+ special needs individuals **EACH WEEK**

Counties Served: Allegan, Ingham, Ionia, Kalamazoo, Kent, Mecosta, Montcalm, Ottawa

Volunteer Hours Served:
 Year 2018—55,900 hours

Total Staff: 13 Full Time: 2 Part Time: 11
 8 PATH International Certified Instructors
 Certified Elementary Ed Teacher K-8
 Certified Secondary Ed Teacher
 Equine Specialists in Mental Health & Learning
 Licensed Music Therapist

Equest Programming:

- Therapeutic Riding Program
- Summer Horsemanship Day Camps
- Horses for Heroes ~ U.S. Veterans
- Equest Warriors ~ U.S. Veterans & Injured Military
- Vocational ~ Job skills training
- Team Building Programing
- Senior Saturdays ~ Connecting with the Elderly
- Horses as Healers ~ Serving those effected by cancer
- Music Therapy on Horseback
- Horses and Hands Program
- Equine Facilitated Mental Health
- “Saddle Safari Discovery Trail”- Specialized Sensory Trail those with Sensory Processing Issues
- Therapeutic Carriage Driving program
- TEAM EQUEST – Volunteer program
- Pony Express ~ “Minis on a Mission” Visiting schools, homes hospitals, hospice, & throughout the community

Equest Center is a **501(c)3 not-for-profit** charity that owns its **35 acre Therapeutic Riding facility** in Rockford, MI

University / College Partners: 14

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| Aquinas College | Grand Rapids Community College |
| Calvin College | Grand Valley State University |
| Central Michigan University | Michigan State University |
| Cornerstone University | Montcalm Community College |
| Davenport College | Muskegon Community College |
| Ferris State University | University of Michigan |
| Kuyper College | Western Michigan University |

Primary Disabilities of Clients Served:

Most clients have primary coupled with secondary disabilities

- ADD / ADHD..... 4 %
- Amputees..... 1.2 %
- Autism Spectrum.....13 %
- Arthritis.....2 %
- Brain / Spinal Cord Injury.....8 %
- Cancer.....1.5 %
- Cerebral Palsy.....14 %
- Dementia.....2.5 %
- Developmentally Delayed.....3.3 %
- Down Syndrome.....4 %
- Eating Disorders.....2 %
- Emotional / Behavior.....4 %
- Fetal Alcohol Syndrome.....1.5 %
- Hearing Impaired.....2.5 %
- Hunters Syndrome.....1 %
- Mentally/Learning Impaired.....15 %
- Multiple Sclerosis.....2.7 %
- Muscular Atrophy.....1 %
- Muscular Dystrophy.....2.7 %
- Post Traumatic Syndrome.....2.3 %
- Prader-Willi Syndrome.....2 %
- Sensory Dysfunction.....3 %
- Spina Bifida......1 %
- Stroke.....2 %
- Tourette Syndrome.....1 %
- Visually Impaired.....1.3 %
- Others.....1.5 %



FINANCIAL PROFILE: Equest Center for Therapeutic Riding, Inc. is a non-profit organization that holds a 501(c)3 status. Income is generated by in-kind donations (4%), grants (11%), donations (28%), fundraising / special events (41%) and program fees (16%). It is vital for us to raise needed funds because our policy is to turn NO students away due to lack of financial ability.

Projected Expenses



Needed Income

