

**SPIRIT**

OPEN EQUESTRIAN PROGRAM INC.

# 2021 ANNUAL REPORT



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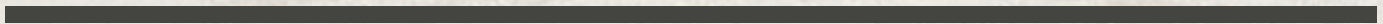
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# Our Performance

PROGRAM	NUMBER OF STUDENTS AND PROGRAM HOURS		REVIEWS
Therapeutic Riding	76	1,291	Our daughter has gained so much independence, confidence and joy from your program, and she has less anxiety in her daily life. Thank you for allowing her to progress, to push her boundaries and to learn responsibility with the horses. The positive environment with all ages and abilities has been wonderful. The instructors are encouraging and patient, and trusting of the students. .....
Equine Assisted Psychotherapy	6	27	
Therapeutic Horsemanship	11	214	Personal touch with using each kid's names; using a variety of settings. Instructors use a nice mix of activities and are very encouraging; the volunteers are plentiful and super sweet and helpful; so, many good things happening; encouraging focus, mixing up who is the lead horse; planting a "seed" with suggesting to my somewhat inflexible child that perhaps he should try a different horse without forcing him to--please know that this has fostered conversation and the seed is indeed planted--there is an openness now; in other words, both through the horseback-riding learning and in the side discussions, good things are happening. Thank you! .....
Equine Assisted Learning	172	2,697	
SPIRIT Academy	108	144	

In 2021 SPIRIT was able to resume full programming offering a total of 41 weeks of classes for Therapeutic Riding and Equine Assisted Learning through FCPA, 5 weeks of Equine Assisted Learning Summer Camps through FCPA, community workshops through our SPIRIT Academy, and continue unmounted programs of Therapeutic Horsemanship and Equine Assisted Psychotherapy.





# Volunteers

SPIRIT is thankful for the generosity of our volunteers. In 2021, SPIRIT had 138 volunteers with a total of 7,258 hours serving our program.





# Home for SPIRIT

In 2021 SPIRIT was able to continue development at our future home Sully Farm. Thanks to the generous support of Joe Geiger of First Non Profit, SPIRIT was able to install a driveway and parking spaces. Thanks to Sean Dresdner, a run in shed has been installed to house our herd. The run in shed is expected to be finished in 2022.





# **SPiRiT Open Equestrian Program**

Our mission is to foster healing and teach life skills through interactions between humans and horses

## **2021 Program Staff**

**Michelle Gnozzio, Instructor**  
**Meagan Hosker, Instructor**  
**Jocelyn Jones, LPC, Equine Assisted  
Psychotherapy**  
**Jenna Klein, Instructor**  
**Vesma Montvillo, Therapeutic Riding  
Instructor**  
**Elizabeth Phillips, Therapeutic Horsemanship**  
**Abigail Schwall, Instructor**  
**Lauren Wong, Therapeutic Riding Instructor**  
**Cynda Zurfluh, Therapeutic Horsemanship,  
Therapeutic Riding Instructor**

## **2021 Key Volunteers:**

**George Bates**  
**Ed Brinberg**  
**Barry Dresdner**  
**Doug Gaibler**  
**Kevin Golla**  
**George Bates**  
**Huey Sullivan**  
**Jeff Wallace**  
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