



# 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

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

**Volunteer Hours Served:**

Year 2025–50,052 hours

**Total Staff:** 20 Full Time: 3 Part Time: 17

9 PATH International Certified Instructors  
2 PATH International EAL Certified Instructors  
5 Certified Teachers including ages Preschool-12  
Areas of Certification: Emotionally Impaired, Cognitively Impaired, Master of Special Ed, Early Childhood Education, Elementary & Secondary Ed  
Teacher of the Deaf & Hard of Hearing K-12  
Equine Specialists in Mental Health & Learning

**Equest Programming:**

Therapeutic Riding Program  
Summer Horsemanship Day Camps  
Horses for Heroes ~ Serving Veterans & Active Military  
Vocational ~ Job skills training  
Deaf & Hard of Hearing Equine Program  
Senior Saturdays ~ Connecting with the Elderly  
Horses as Healers ~ affected by cancer, grief & trauma  
Saddle Safari Discovery Trail- Mile long, Sensory trail  
Equine Assisted Reading and Literacy Program  
Adaptive Carriage Driving program  
TEAM EQUEST- Volunteer programs  
Minis on a Mission- Visiting schools, homes, hospitals, hospice, & throughout the community



**Equest Center for Therapeutic Riding, Inc.** is a 501 (c) 3 non-Profit organization that owns its own 35-acre therapeutic riding facilities and grounds and operates on a year-round basis.

**University / College Partners:** 14

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

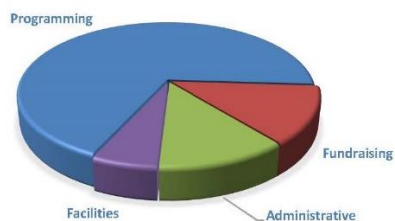
**Primary Disabilities of Clients Served:**

Most clients have primary coupled with secondary

ADD/ADHD.....	4.8%	Learning Disability.....	1.3%
Amputee.....	0.6%	Multiple Sclerosis.....	1%
Angelman's Syndrome.....	0.6%	Muscular Dystrophy.....	1.3%
Anxiety/Depression.....	5.3%	OCD.....	1.3%
Apraxia.....	1.4%	Paraplegia/ Quadriplegia	0.6%
Arthritis.....	2%	PTSD.....	2%
Autism.....	18.4%	Prader-Willi Syndrome...	2.6%
Brain/ Spinal Cord Injury...	2.5%	Rare Diseases.....	2.1%
Cancer.....	0.6%	Rett Syndrome.....	0.6%
Cerebral Palsy.....	9.9%	Tardive Akathisia/Dystonia .	6%
Chromosome Deletion.....	0.6%	Williams Syndrome.....	0.6%
Cognitive Delay.....	4.4%	Sensory Dysfunction.....	1.6%
Deaf/HOH.....	2.0%	Spina Bifida.....	0.6%
Developmental Delay.....	6.4%	Stroke.....	0.6%
Dementia.....	2.5%	Microcephaly.....	0.3%
Diabetes.....	1.3%	Visual Impairment.....	0.3%
Down Syndrome.....	4.8%	POTS.....	3%
Emotional / Behavioral.....	3.2%	Schizophrenia.....	0.3%
Epilepsy.....	3.4%	DREAM-PL Syndrome.....	0.3%
Fetal Alcohol Syndrome...	1.3%	Atherosclerosis.....	0.3%
Fibromyalgia.....	1%	Septo Optic Dysplasia.....	0.3%
Hydrocephalus.....	1.3%	Others.....	1.5%
Hypotonia.....	1.3%		

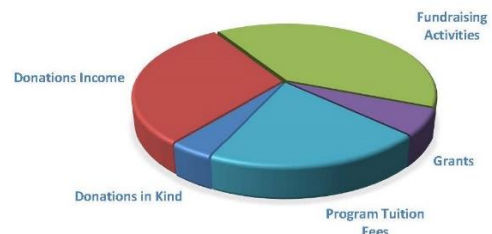
**FINANCIAL PROFILE:** Equest Center for Therapeutic Riding, Inc. is a non-profit organization that holds a 501(c)3 status. Income is generated by in-kind donations (3%), grants (6%), donations (28%), fundraising / special events (42%) and program fees (21%). It is vital for us to raise the funds needed as our policy is to turn NO students away due to lack of financial ability.

**NEEDED EXPENSE - \$ 823,328.**



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**NEEDED INCOME - \$ 823,328.**



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