



The Saddle Light Center for Therapeutic Horsemanship  
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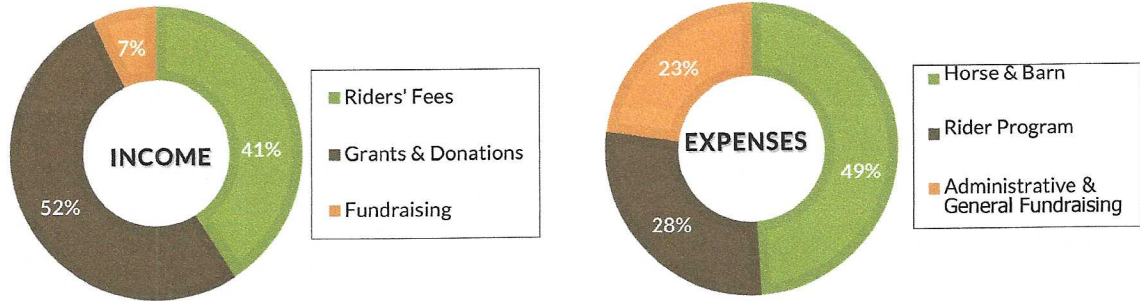
# LETTER FROM THE CEO

Thank you for your interest in corporate sponsorship for the Saddle Light Center.

As a Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship (P.A.T.H.) organization, we provide services to enhance the lives of our disabled riders. We are a 501(c) (3) non-profit corporation and we have grown our program from a few horses in 1991 to a program that supports 50+ riders with 12 horses today and an extensive waiting list.

We enjoy a 2023 Top-Rated Great Non-Profit designation and are a Platinum Guide Star facility supporting both Therapeutic Riding and Hippotherapy.

In 2021, we received the Guardian designation by the Equus Foundation. Which encourages equine organizations to be transparent and accountable to the public for their equine care and practices.



41% - Of our expenses are paid for by Riders' Fees - 52 % - is paid by Grants and individual Donations – 7% is paid by our Annual Fundraising Event, *EquestFest*

I hope we can count on your financial support to help run our program.

Thank you for your assistance.

*Kerstin L. Fosdick*  
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 Physical Therapist, Program  
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# SPONSOR EQUESTFEST



The Saddle Light Center for Therapeutic Horsemanship positively impacts lives through the use of Therapeutic Horseback Riding and Hippotherapy. Currently, our program serves 58+ clients weekly with the assistance of 145 volunteers and 12 horse partners.

The resources for 2023 have significantly declined as a result of fewer grants, donations, and cancellations due to weather conditions. We are kindly asking for your financial support through sponsorship of our annual fundraiser, *EquestFest*.

*EquestFest* is critical to our operation, and is responsible for approximately 20% of our operating budget. This is our only fundraising event. Your support of this event helps to underwrite the Saddle Light Center programs and aids in keeping our fees affordable for our clients.

Please sponsor and help us continue to positively impact lives and maintain the viability of our program! We greatly appreciate your support.

We could not do this without you!

*You helped us achieve this!*

"Since my son started therapeutic horseback riding, we have seen so many benefits and improvements, both physically and emotionally. He has gained strength, most notably in his upper body. He sits up taller while riding and can now carry his saddle to put it away. It has helped him socialize and follow directions. He is proud of his riding skills and has gained confidence to try new things."

-M. Culver  
Mother of Rider

"Our daughter has cerebral palsy and has been riding at the Saddlelight Center for 17 years. We have seen incredible gains in trunk control, balance, and stability. In addition to the therapeutic benefits, we have also seen a tremendous gain in confidence - she is really proud to let people know she rides Kai (her horse) on Friday nights. (not many kids get to ride a horse every week.) she has transitioned from a pediatric walker to crutches, although she does still use a wheelchair for long distances the therapists and volunteers have an amazing love for their riders and horses, and their dedication is second to none. We have been beyond pleased with the level of care and attention our daughter receives, and we definitely recommend the Saddle Light Center to any family who is interested in providing a wonderful experience for their loved one."

B. Jennings  
Father of Rider

# SPONSORSHIPS

*Make a difference in the lives of children and adults! Your sponsorship allows us to continue to positively impact individuals through Therapeutic Riding and Hippotherapy*

Sponsorship Level	Special Recognition and Advertising
Paint \$5,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Named on Main Stage.</li> <li>• Recognized in all event media, including display of company banner and listed on EquestFest banner.</li> <li>• Logo on event t-shirt.</li> <li>• Recognized on event webpage.</li> <li>• VIP Package</li> </ul>
Thoroughbred \$2,500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Recognized in all event media, including display of company banner and listed on EquestFest banner.</li> <li>➤ Logo on event t-shirt.</li> <li>➤ Recognized on event webpage.</li> <li>➤ VIP Package</li> </ul>
Tennessee Walker \$1,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recognized in all event media, including display of company banner and listed on EquestFest banner.</li> <li>• Logo on event t-shirt.</li> <li>• Recognized on event webpage.</li> </ul>
Quarter Horse \$500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Company listed on EquestFest banner.</li> <li>➤ Logo on event t-shirt.</li> <li>➤ Recognized on event webpage.</li> </ul>
Welsh Pony \$250	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Company listed on EquestFest banner.</li> <li>• Recognized on event webpage.</li> </ul>
Activity Sponsorships \$500-\$1,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ This sponsorship includes your company's banner displayed at the sponsored activity and posted on SLC website.</li> </ul>

## HOW TO SPONSOR

Mail a Check:

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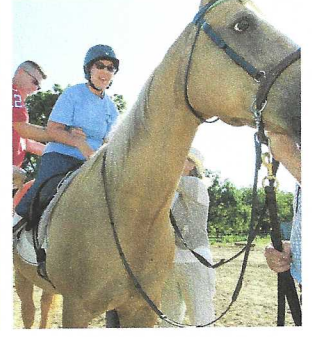


*All of this is possible because of people like you. Thank you!*

# THERAPEUTIC RIDING

... is an equine-assisted activity that teaches riding skills to people with a diagnosed disability for the purpose of contributing positively to their cognitive, physical, emotional, and social well-being. The riders must learn to balance in the saddle, distribute their weight equally in each stirrup in order to sit properly during the horses' different gaits, and use reins and leg aids correctly to communicate with the horse.

*The focus of Therapeutic Horseback Riding is on improving riding skills and setting riding goals.*



# HIPPOTHERAPY

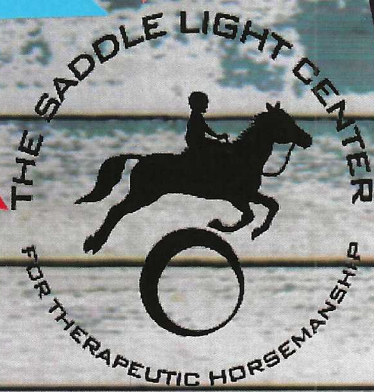
... refers to how occupational therapy, physical therapy and speech-language pathology professionals utilize equine movement as a therapy tool to engage sensory, neuromotor and cognitive systems to promote functional outcomes in the rider. Classical Hippotherapy relies on the movement of the horse to influence the rider and stimulate the riders' muscles to improve posture, balance, and trunk control.

*The focus of Hippotherapy is on treatment of the disability and setting therapy goals.*



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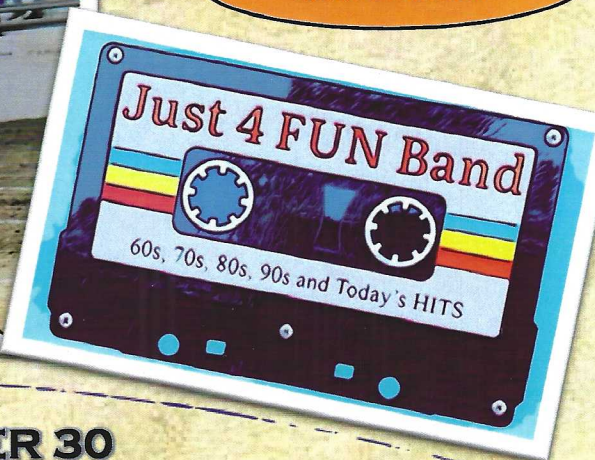
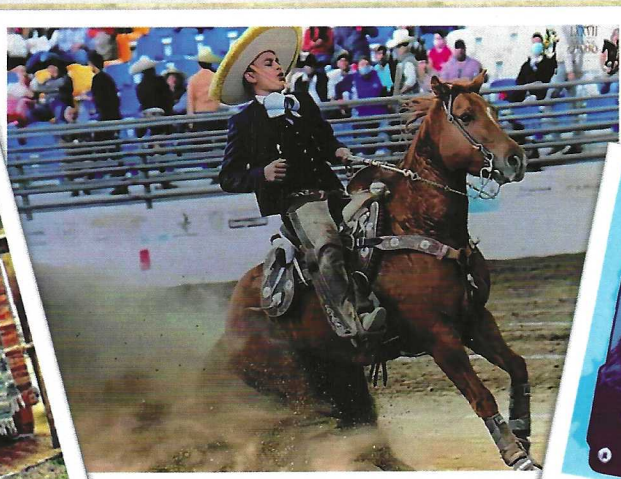
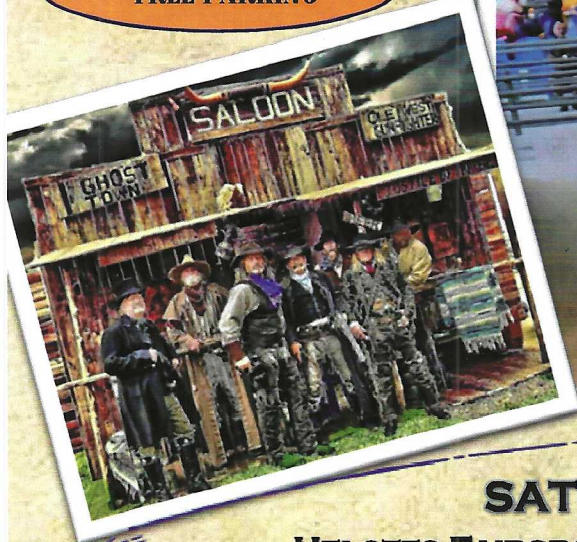


# EQUESTFEST 2023

*EquestFest is our annual festival benefiting The Saddle Light Center for Therapeutic Horsemanship. The Funds raised support our horses and equestrian programs.*

**\*FREE PARKING**

**\*RAIN OR SHINE**



**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30**

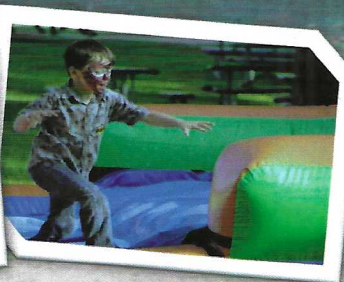
**HELOTES FAIRGROUNDS • 12210 LESLIE ROAD • FROM 1PM-6PM**

## —FEATURING—

SAN ANTONIO CHARRO ASSOCIATION  
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PONY RIDES, FACE PAINTING, AIR BOUNCE & PETTING ZOO

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ENTRY FEE: \$10 ADULTS • \$5 CHILDREN (AGES 5-12) • \$1 PER ACTIVITY • \$6 PONY RIDES



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