



# **Annual Report**

January 2024—December 2024

Leaving hoof-prints of hope on every heart we touch!

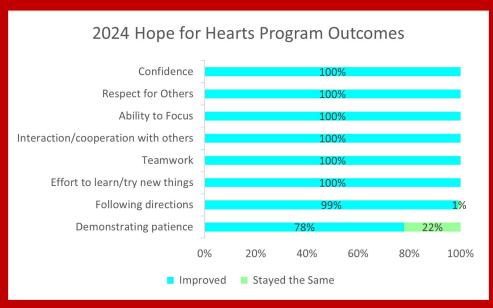






## **Hope for Hearts Program**

406 sessions - 365 of these (89%) received donor-funded financial assistance





## **Serving Clients this Year from**

Brown, Johnson, Bartholomew, Monroe, Morgan, Marion, Hendricks, Hamilton, Boone, Lawrence & Jackson Counties of Indiana



#### **Strategic Initiatives**

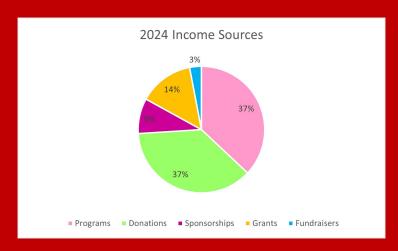
- 12% Hope for Hearts Program growth from 2023 to 2024. 42% growth since 2022!
- Opening of our satellite location at Oakwood Stables to offer our programing due to community requests for a location closer to Johnson county.
- Certification for four of our facilitators in Horse Powered Reading to improve literacy.
- Expansion of our Entrepreneur Executive Coaching Program.
- Charity Partner for the Seen Through Horses Campaign.
- Continuing education opportunities for our facilitators to strengthen their facilitation skills.
- Received grants from Smithville Charitable Foundation, Brown County Community Foundation, and the ECHO Foundation.
- Continued development of our relationship with Cummins through funding and volunteer opportunities as

well as participation in their employee We Care Fair.

- Speaking engagements at the Equine Assisted Learning Leadership Summit and at Brown County PEO.
- Journey to Leadership workshops for Adult & Child Managers, The Wedding Studios Executive Team, and Pleasant Grove Elementary Teachers.
- Free to Be Me for Girls ages 10-14.
- Gateways for Groups workshop for Lutheran Hills Animal Camp.
- Addition of Rain to our farm.



89% of our Hope for Hearts program participants received donor-funded financial assistance for their session fees, making it possible for them to find hope and confidence, despite their ability to pay for their sessions.



**2024 Sponsors** 

Dr. & Mrs. D.C. Sharp/Equ-Insights—Sponsor for Dodge

Tropney Family—Sponsor for Pegasus

Wilson Family—Sponsor for Rizzo









#### **2024 Grantees**

Smithville Charitable Foundation - \$8,000

Brown County Community Foundation - \$5,200

ECHO Foundation - \$2000

2024 Recognition

Volunteer of the Year

Ken Gindling



Junior Volunteer of the Year

Liberty Warford

In 2024 Hope for Hearts Farm had **27** volunteers...



who donated **4839** hours of their time!

Horse of the Year Pegasus



**Corporate Volunteer of the Year Cummins** 





"I don't have to be like other people. I can be myself."



"Pegasus taught me to be present in the moment instead of thinking about everything else."

"I can talk about things when I am frustrated or mad instead of being mean to my brother and sister."



"I can be a leader. I have what it takes I just didn't know it until the horses showed me."



"Rizzo has helped me figure out who I am and the type of person I want to be."



"I have learned to listen better and follow directions at home and at school."



"Being with the horses makes me feel calm and helps me slow my thoughts down."



"Finding work life balance has been one of the greatest things to come from working with the horses."



"I can be brave just like Noel."

"This opened my eyes to more about shared leadership and utilizing everyone's strengths."



"I will be more mindful of how I am executing my leadership skills."



"I learned so much about slowing down and being present to be effective."



"Today gave me the open honest space to be transparent and plan actions for change."



"It's okay to be confident and to speak up if I need something."



"I found this program insightful and a great way to feel further connected."



"It made me think about my strengths and weaknesses so that I can be a better support to my team in the way that they need it."



"Everything we did with the horses related back to the job. I thought it was very applicable to what our team needed for their leadership."