

## **Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship**

Ensuring excellence and changing lives through equine-assisted activities and therapies

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### Working Hard for PATH Intl. Members and the EAAT Industry

**Instructor Certification:** Three levels of riding instructor certification, two levels of driving certification and one level of interactive vaulting certification ensure that instructors have the skill and knowledge to provide safe and effective services.



**Accreditation:** The PATH Intl. Center Accreditation process encourages member centers to strive for the highest level of safety and proficiency.

**National/Regional Conferences:** The PATH Intl. Conference and Annual Meeting is our premier educational opportunity, offering academic sessions, hands-on demonstrations at the Horse Expo and networking opportunities. PATH Intl. Regional Conferences offer a more intimate, local conference experience. These are opportunities for individuals within each region to attend educational seminars and network with others in their geographical region.

**Communications:** *PATH Intl. Strides* quarterly magazine, *PATH Intl. eNews* and other publications provide valuable educational information and updates to the PATH Intl. membership. Additionally, www.pathintl.org offers an indispensable tool for communication with the PATH Intl. membership and the general public.

## 2010 NARHA Volunteer Committee; and Ta;k Force: with Number of Member:

Accreditation Subcommittee	5
Center Advancement Committee	6
Certification Oversight Committee	5
Certification Review & Development Task Force	6
Competitive Riding Task Force	3
2011 Conference Host Committee Task Force	7
Driving Certification Subcommittee	5
Education Oversight Committee	5
EFP/EFL Membership Task Force	14
Equine Services for Heroes Committee	1
Equine Specialist Certification Subcommittee	5
Equine Welfare Committee	7
Faculty Development Task Force	6
Health and Education Advisory Group	4
Higher Education Task Force	8
International Task Force	5
Membership Oversight Committee	1.
PATH Intl. Board of Trustees	14
Programs and Standards Oversight Committee	12
Riding Certification Subcommittee	6
Standards Reorganization Task Force	6
State Chairs	5
Vaulting Certification Subcommittee	8

#### **Mentor Training**

The PATH Intl. Mentor Training Workshop is designed to assist Instructors In-Training link with highly qualified PATH Intl. Certified Instructors to fulfill the required twenty-five mentored hours for the certification process. This is accomplished by training current PATH Intl. Certified Instructors about the needs of mentees and responsibilities of being a mentor. This developing mentor list will consist of Certified Instructors across the United States and the world.

**Distance Education:** An important and ever growing component of our website is the distance education program. Three courses, Center Accreditation Training, Instructor Self-Study and Volunteer Training, are currently offered through this program.

**Affiliate Partner Program:** This program is designed to create partnerships between PATH Intl. and non-commercial organizations that share the PATH Intl. vision and support the PATH Intl. mission. PATH Intl. was proud to welcome The American Hippotherapy Association, Inc. (AHA) as its first nationally recognized Affiliate Partner.

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**Year Founded:** 1969

Mission Statement: PATH Intl. changes and enriches lives by promoting excellence in equine-assisted activities.

**PATH Intl. Vision \$tatement:** PATH Intl. is a global authority, resource and advocate for equine-assisted activities and therapies and the equines in this work that inspires and enriches the human spirit.

**About PATH Intl.:** PATH Intl. was formed in 1969 as the North American Riding for the Handicapped Association to promote equine-assisted activities and therapies for individuals with special needs. With more than 800 member centers, 47,877 children and adults find a sense of independence through involvement with horses. These member centers range from small, one-person programs to large operations with several instructors and therapists. In addition to horseback riding, a center may offer any number of equine-assisted activities such as driving, vaulting, trail riding, competition, ground work or stable management. Through a wide variety of educational resources, the association helps individuals start and maintain successful programs. There are more than 43,000 volunteers, 3,761 instructors, 6,051 equines and thousands of contributors from all over the world making a difference in people's lives at PATH Intl. centers.

### 2010 PATH Intl. Statistics

Data valid as of 12/31/10 based on 635 centers reporting statistics

**Total Individual Members** 

Total Center Members	809
Not-For-Profit Centers	581
Accredited Centers	236

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Certified Driving Instructors	62
Certified Vaulting Instructors	21

Total Equines	6,051
Horses	4,742
Ponies	1005
Minis	232
Donkeys	71
Mules	79

Total Number of Employees	2,646
Total Centers Offering Internships	344
Total Number of Center Volunteers	43,200
Total Value* of Volunteer Hours	\$2,113,102,080
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\*The value of volunteer hours is based on the number of volunteers X center reported volunteer time X \$21.36 as stated by independent sector



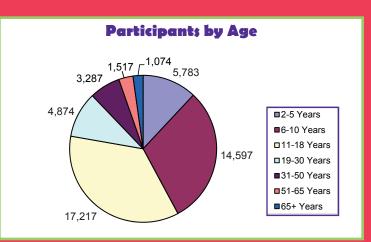


#### PATH Intl. Centers Offering Specialty Programs

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Hippotherapy	211	188	168	227	184	187
Equine-Facilitated Learning	111	112	110	140	185	172
Equine-Facilitated Psychotherapy	63	60	54	77	83	85
Driving	39	44	46	54	51	48
Interactive Vaulting	62	58	45	65	46	40
Veterans Programs					89	154

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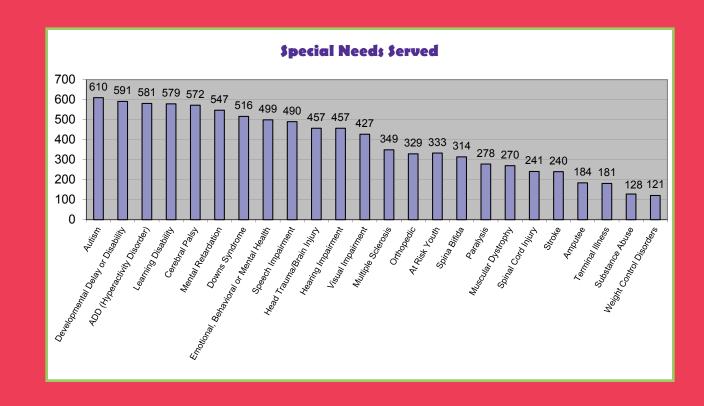


# PATH Intl. Centers Partnering with Community Organizations

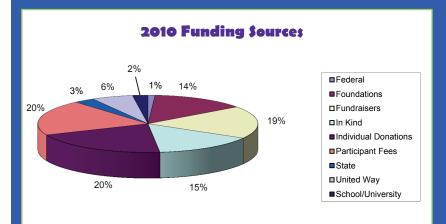
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Schools/Universities	361	290	261	343	266	337
Rehab Centers	163	128	112	151	152	145
Group Homes	287	269	277	351	253	371
Govt. Agencies	164	129	143	197	170	241
Nursing Homes	39	33	30	37	39	63
Hospices	16	22	21	23	23	34
Hospitals	80	69	72	87	76	106
	1,110	940	916	1,189	<b>79</b>	1,297



PATH Intl. Centers with participant
waiting lists: 294
Individuals on waiting lists: 5,918
Total Number of Participants: 47,877



#### Total Budget; for all PATH Intl. Center;: \$126,994,796 Budgets between: \$0-\$999 16 62 1,000-\$9,999 86 \$10,000-\$19,999 \$20,000-\$49,999 133 97 \$50,000-\$99,999 \$100,000-149,999 81 32 150,000-\$199,999 \$200,000-\$499,999 82 28 \$500,000-\$1 million Over \$1 million 14 Did not report 177



#### **PATH Intl. Core Values**

**Access and inclusion**—promoting diversity and opportunity in equine-assisted activities

**Compassion and caring**—providing a culture of safety, understanding and ethical treatment of humans and horses engaged in equine-assisted activities

**Cooperation and collaboration**—connecting and partnering with those who share the PATH Intl. vision in a mutually beneficial manner

**Education**—sharing valued knowledge with our constituents to facilitate their success

**Excellence**—promoting quality in all undertakings

**Innovation**—encouraging and supporting creativity, inquiry and cutting-edge research

**Integrity and accountability**—ensuring that all business is based on ethical principles and conducted with transparency

**Professionalism**—enhancing the value and credibility of the industry

**Service**—providing effective and responsive information and programs to our constituents

**Holism**—promoting an awareness of body, mind and spirit in equine-assisted activities and therapies

