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August 2014 PATH International Introduces Two New Scholarships for Veterans!

Denver—PATH International has a long tradition of offering the best in equine-assisted activities and therapies to military personnel and veterans. By providing leadership and guidance, PATH International continues to demonstrate the power of the horse to change lives.

PATH International is proud to offer two new scholarship opportunities for veterans of U.S. military service in order to promote their continued growth and to give back to them for their service.

The PATH International Equine Services for Heroes® Conference Scholarship for Veterans will award one conference registration (worth \$605) to the 2014 PATH International Conference to a PATH International member with an honorable discharge from U.S. military service. PATH International conferences are rich with educational content, professional development and networking opportunities. The conference is in San Diego, CA, October 29-November 1. A special track is devoted to PATH International Equine Services for Heroes during Community Connections Day. Dr. James Spira, director of the National Center for PTSD, will be the keynote speaker for that track. The deadline for the application is September 30, 2014.

For those interested in a gratifying career with daily opportunities to change lives as a therapeutic riding instructor, PATH International introduces the PATH International Equine Services for Heroes® Therapeutic Riding Instructor Certification Scholarship for Veterans. This scholarship will reimburse up to \$800 the cost of pursuing PATH International Therapeutic Riding Instructor Certification and will be awarded to veterans with an honorable discharge from U.S. military service. The deadline for the application is December 31, 2014; the scholarship will be reimbursed to the individual who successfully completes a registered instructor onsite workshop and certification between January 1 and December 31, 2015.

Applications for both scholarships may be found on the <u>PATH International Equine</u> <u>Services for Heroes Scholarships</u> page.

About PATH Intl.:

The Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International (PATH Intl.) was formed in 1969 to promote equine-assisted activities and therapies for individuals with special needs. At 852 member centers, more than 58,000 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 certified instructors and licensed therapists. In addition to therapeutic equitation, a center may offer any number of equine-assisted activities including hippotherapy, equine-facilitated mental health, driving, interactive vaulting, trail riding, competition, ground work or stable management. Through a wide variety of educational resources, the association helps individuals start and maintain successful equine-assisted activities and therapies for individuals with special needs. There are nearly 53,000 volunteers, 4,544 instructors, 7,733 equines and thousands of contributors from all over the world helping people at PATH Intl. centers.