

Dear Friends of High Horses,

Why change our name?

Over the past year here at High Horses, our program staff and members of our Board conducted an in-depth review to update our terminology and nomenclature, so we remain in alignment with evolving PATH Int'l standards. The field of equine-assisted services has continued to evolve over the past five decades, informed by ongoing research, and collaborative contributions to improve shared best practices from the over 800 PATH Int'l member centers across the United States.

High Horses' core programs now reflect these changes. Our former "Therapeutic Riding" program is now the Adaptive Riding Program, and our former Hippotherapy Program is now the Physical Therapy/Occupational Therapy Program. In addition, although mounted "riding" programming remains an important part of equine-assisted services, unmounted work with horses has become a widely recognized, rich and effective modality of equine-assisted services, and offers the potential for life-changing experiences for clients who are best served by an unmounted equine partnership.

High Horses has also continued to expand the diversity of programs and services we offer in order to better fulfill our mission. We know that our continued success is grounded in a 'center' where people and horses come together--clients, staff, volunteers, horses, donors, caregivers, and community partners--to help create transformative and healing equine-assisted experiences that improve the well-being of people with unique needs through a therapeutic equine experience.

We are excited to celebrate our new name, High Horses Center for Equine-Assisted Services as part of our 30th anniversary!

Yours sincerely,

Alex Keats, Executive Director