



Annual Report
2023

Ivy Hill
Foundation

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WHO WE ARE

MISSION

Ivy Hill provides equine-assisted services to all individuals in an inclusive and accessible environment designed to promote independence and confidence.

VISION

Use our professional expertise to build a sustainable organization that fosters wellness, advocacy, and purpose throughout the entirety of our community.

CORE VALUES

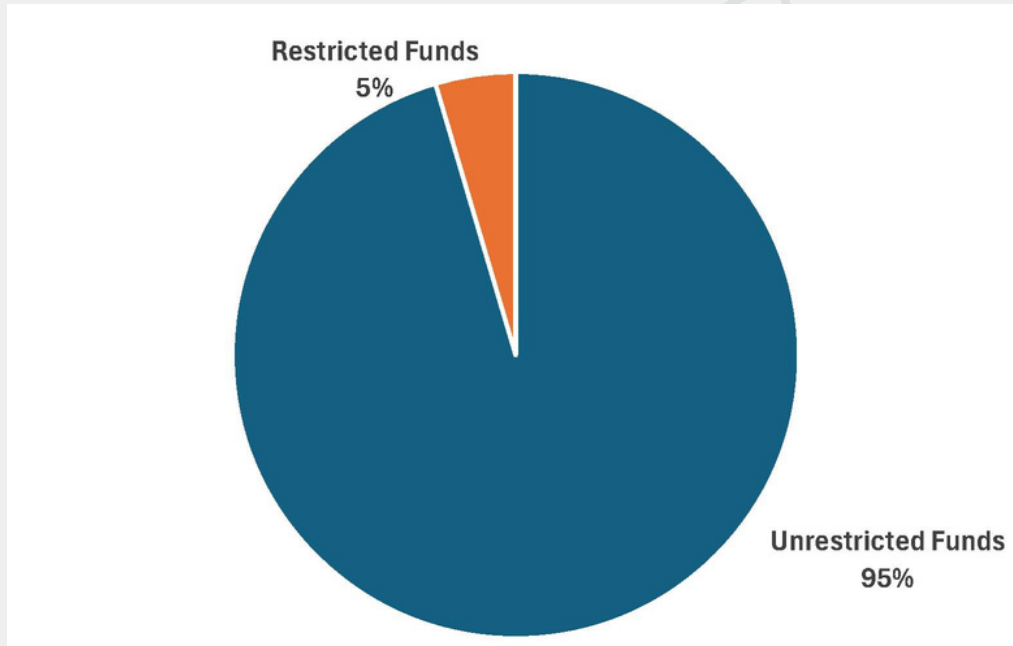
We honor everyone's Dignity.
We strive to be Inclusive in all we do.
We cultivate a spirit of Community.
We embrace the benefits of Diversity.
We believe in the promise of Hope.



THE NUMBERS

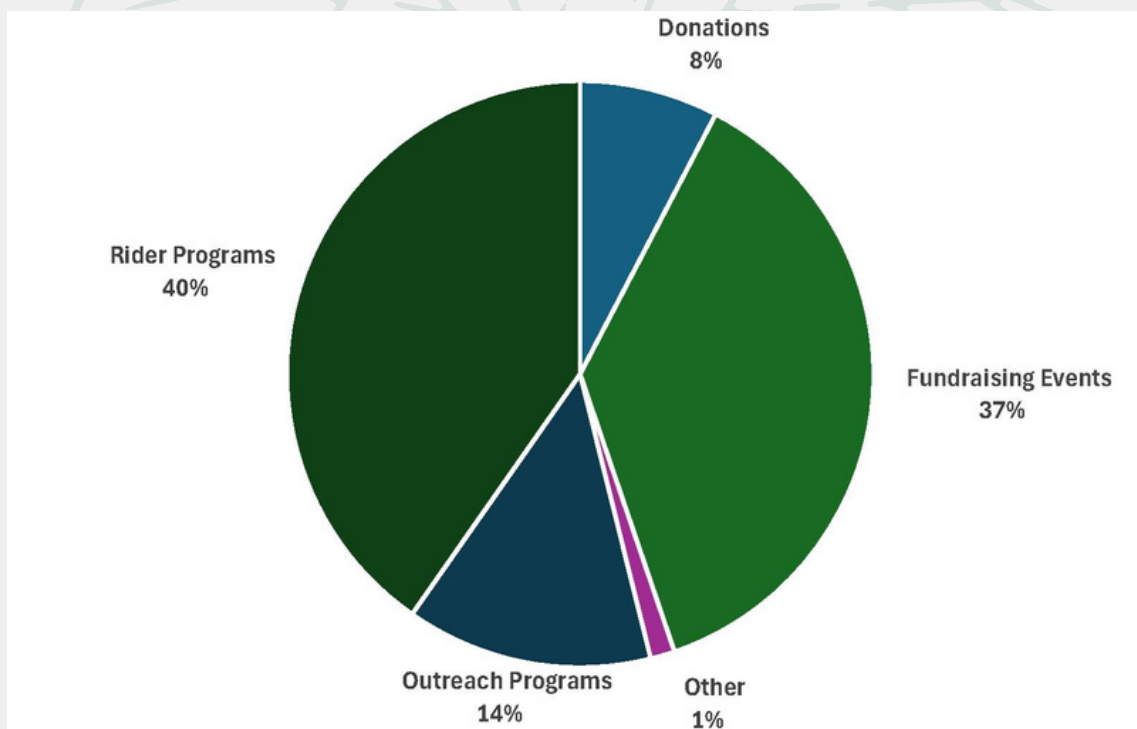
STABLE FINANCIAL CONDITION

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023



DIVERSE FUNDING

95% OF THE FUNDS RAISED FROM ALL SOURCES GOES INTO OUR PROGRAMS.





HORSES + LOVE = HOPE

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

It's hard to believe we have just wrapped up our 25th year! So much has happened in 2023 and I'm so thrilled that you have been along for the ride to see all of the amazing changes that have taken place. We have hired four new instructors, many new barn staff and have brought two new horses into our herd. We have added ground programs to support Veterans and individuals dealing with addiction. Our various camps have been full and our new Horse Club program began in January, giving our participants an opportunity to learn more about taking care of horses and volunteering with staff supervision. Our volunteer base has grown and become more skilled under the direction of our volunteer manager. We have achieved Premier Accreditation status through PATH for the first time in Ivy Hill's 25 year history!

This summer we look forward to branching out to new showing opportunities in the community where our riders can compete in therapeutic divisions offered at local horse shows. We are ready to travel in style with our newly donated trailer! We are excited to offer make up 'sessions' moving from mounted lessons to groundwork in an effort to give our horses much needed breaks as well as offer a different perspective of equine assisted activities and learning. As we enter 2024, be on the lookout for more changes and opportunities! My stall door' is always open. Please feel free to reach out. I'd be glad to chat.

Susanne McMahon, Executive Director



WHY I IVY...

THERE ARE SO MANY REASONS WHY WE LOVE AND SUPPORT IVY HILL.

I WENT FROM NOT WALKING WELL TO WALKING WELL. IT HELPED ME WHEN I WAS REALLY SAD. IT ALSO HELPED WITH MY CONFIDENCE AND SELF-ESTEEM. I HAVE A CHANCE TO VOLUNTEER AND I HAVE MET WONDERFUL PEOPLE AND AMAZING HORSES AT IVY HILL!

– IVY HILL RIDER

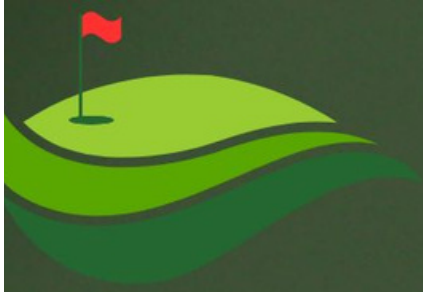
AFTER TRYING MANY DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES, WE FINALLY FEEL WE HAVE FOUND THE RIGHT FIT FOR OUR SON, BRAEDEN. ASH IS SO INCREDIBLY KIND, FULL OF ENERGY AND DEMONSTRATES A WEALTH OF COPING STRATEGIES, ALONG WITH THE HORSES. BRAEDEN'S CONFIDENCE AND RIDING ABILITIES HAVE GROWN SINCE STARTING IVY HILL RIDING LESSONS. ERIN AND THE ENTIRE IVY HILL STAFF ARE POSITIVE, FRIENDLY, AND PASSIONATE ABOUT THEIR RIDERS AND THE FAMILIES THEY SERVE. THANK YOU IVY HILL!

– PARENT OF IVY HILL RIDER

IVY HILL HAS BEEN A HOME TO US FOR THE PAST 6 OR SO YEARS. THE STAFF AND INSTRUCTORS ARE AMAZING AND PERSONABLE. MY DAUGHTER WITH DOWN SYNDROME (WITH LOW MUSCLE TONE) HAS GROWN IN STRENGTH AND CONFIDENCE THROUGH RIDING...WHEN WE WALK IN WE ARE GREETED WITH FRIENDLY SMILES AND HELLOS. WE ARE KNOWN BY OUR NAMES AND TREATED LIKE FAMILY.

– IVY HILL PARENT





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