

Strides To Success Overview: Strides is a premier accredited facility that serves as a resource for families, organizations, and schools that utilizes authentic learning experiences to foster positive character and leadership development. Strides, a non-profit organization is committed to positively impact the emotional, mental, behavioral and social challenges of children and families that are at-risk or have special needs. Strides is the first facility in the United States to earn accreditation from the Equine Facilitated Mental Health Association.

Year Founded: May of 2004

Counties Served: 4

- Hendricks
- Morgan
- Boone
- Marion

Staff: 3

- Executive Director: Debbie Anderson, PATH, CEIP/ED, Delta Society & EAGALA certified
- Equine Specialist: Heather Teilke, LMSW & PATH certified ES, EAGALA certified
- Instructor: Blair McKissock ,ED, PATH, EAGALA, Meghan Compton, PATH instructor
- Education Specialist: Holly Sante, PATH ES/MHL Instructor

School System Partners:

- Speedway Township Schools
- Wayne Township Schools
- Plainfield Schools
- Avon Schools
- Indianapolis Public Schools

Community Partners: 3

- Susie's Place
- Sycamore Group Homes
- Wounded Warriors Organization
- IUPUI School of Social Work
- Sheltering Wings

75 Volunteers Served in 2013

- Board hours: 1280
- Staff volunteer hours: 800
- Program Volunteer hours: 1600
- Community Group hours: 200

Programs:

- **Equine Assisted Learning (EAL)-** School based program that partners teachers and the Strides staff together to design and implement authentic learning programs that foster positive behavior, teach life skills and are based on the Indiana Academic Standards. Primarily designed for use in elementary and middle schools as a behavior intervention program and an alternative to expulsion.
- **Equine Facilitated Psychotherapy (EFP)-** A mental health provider partners with the Strides staff to develop and implement treatment plans for individuals and groups. EAP is a more personal, in-depth therapy session and serves as an alternative to conventional "talk therapy". Strides specializes in adolescents that have suffered sexual or physical abuse and adoptive families. Our Pink Ponies program serves the local women's shelter and teaches life skills to prevent women from returning to their abusers.
- **Strides To Leadership-** Certified facilitators guide youth groups and corporate management teams through a variety of activities that enhance work performance by improving communication, efficiency, and productivity while having a great time! This is a tax-deductible staff development program that will support school programs for at-risk and disadvantaged youth.
- **Sharing the Strides Learning Model** – A nationally recognized two day workshop that teaches mental health and education professionals how to incorporate equine assisted learning into their classroom environment. Since 2005, centers representing 50 states attended this workshop. Our mission is to assist other centers in duplicating programs nationwide.

Strides Equine Assisted Programs Serves:

Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder	Attention Deficit Disorder	Autism	Intellectually Gifted
Emotional/Behavioral Problems	Learning Impaired	Developmentally Delayed	Families
PTSD	Domestic Violence	Sexual Abuse	Corporations
Visually and Hearing Impaired	At-risk youth	Disengaged youth	Self seeking learners

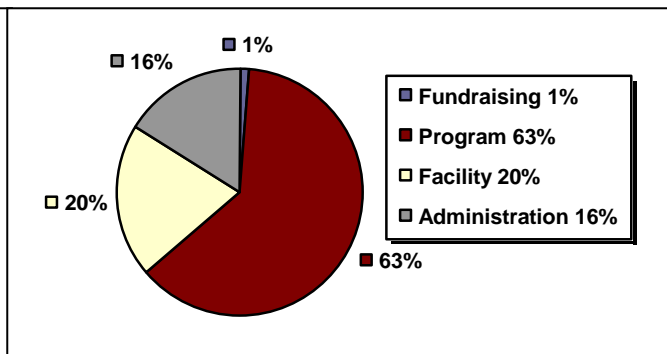
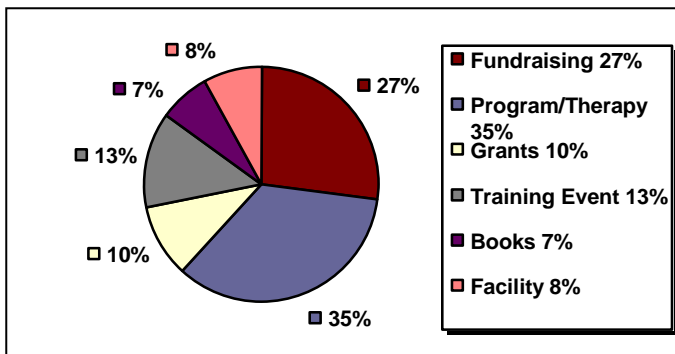
FINANCIAL PROFILE- Strides To Success generates income from special Fundraising events (27%), program fees (35%), grants (10%) Training events (13%) , Books (7%), Facility (8%). Strides To Success is a non-profit organization that holds 501 (c) 3 status.

2013 INCOME: \$131,755.52

2013 EXPENSES: \$127,488.35

2014 PROJECTED INCOME: \$126,500.00

2014 PROJECTED EXPENSES: \$126,500.00



Strides to Success is proud to be a Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship Premier Accredited Center. PATH sets program standards and safety guidelines for programs, and certifies instructors in the United States and Canada.

