

2018 IMPACT REPORT



Our mission is to improve the quality of life for individuals with physical, developmental, emotional and medical challenges through a diverse program of equine assisted activities, therapy services and educational initiatives.

providing **Unbridled Possibilities** for children & adults with special needs

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Reaching Goals

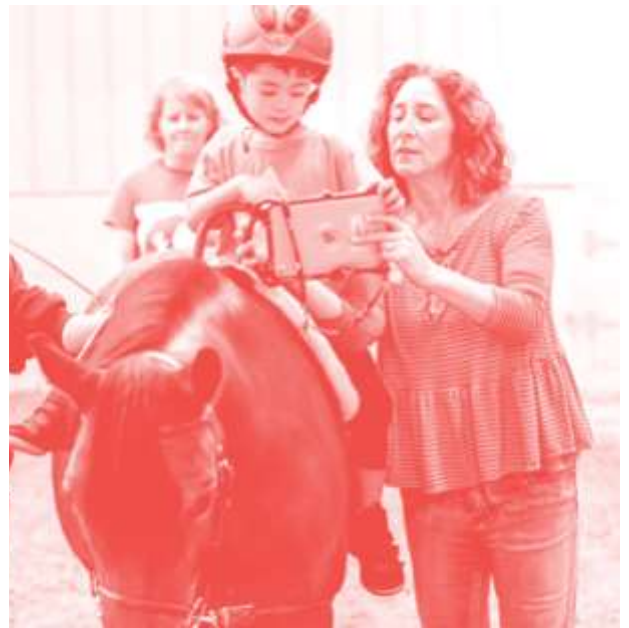
Mane Stream's therapists have many tools to choose from, including one of the most exciting and interactive—our horses! Our NJ licensed **Occupational Therapists, Physical Therapists, Speech-Language Pathologists, and Mental Health Professionals** are specifically trained in how to use equine movement during sessions. **Our 56 clients ranged in age from 2 to 82 years old** and included **veterans in our Operation: Take the Reins** program. All clients worked to increase their functional skills which transfer to their daily lives.

Learning to Communicate

"Hunter suffers from Dravet Syndrome, a catastrophic childhood seizure disorder. In receiving therapy at Mane Stream, Hunter has made measurable improvements in navigating his AAC device to be a more effective communicator. Further, by being on the horse, Hunter worked on his core strength and balance which has improved his ability to keep up with his peers at home and at school."

- Hunter's Mom

THERAPY SERVICES



Independence

In 2018, riders ranging in age from 4 to 59 participated in adaptive riding lessons. **82% of our riders participated in multiple sessions throughout the year and 13% rode in all 7 sessions** (43 weeks in 2018). As skills improved, riders and their families consistently reported an increase in feelings of **confidence, independence and happiness as a direct result of riding lessons at Mane Stream.**

Nothing Short of a Miracle

"Riding at Mane Stream is the best thing I have experienced since my stroke. The mental benefit has impacted my life dramatically and the past seven years have been outstanding. This experience has been nothing short of a miracle for me."

- Victoria Ponte, Mane Stream Equestrian

ADAPTIVE RIDING



for ALL Abilities

Mane Stream Camp 2018 was a huge success, with 79 out of 80 spaces filled. **Because we provide a great camp experience to children of ALL abilities, we had lots of siblings attend camp together.** During the eight sessions, campers learned how to ride, groom and take care of a horse, and they participated in horse-themed games, activities and crafts.

Already looking forward to next summer

"My son smiled for the first time in months after he got off the horse during the screening before camp. While he was at camp, he was very concerned that there is an age limit to attend camp. He was worried that he would not be able to attend again because he will be one year older next year. I told him he can come as long as he wants."

- William's Mom

SUMMER CAMP



MANE STREAM POSSIBLE!



EQUINE ACTIVITIES

Seniors, Scouts, & Schools

Mane Stream was a popular destination for groups of all ages and abilities in 2018. Visitors included: **44 Girl Scouts who earned three different badges, 3 local school groups who practiced responsibility, teamwork, and social skills while learning about horses, and 42 senior adults with dementia who enjoyed time bonding with our horses and sharing stories.** Additionally, we hosted groups from other nonprofits: children from Good Grief, teens from Bonnie Brae, *Make It Real* students from Montgomery Academy and student volunteers from the Matheny School.

Adult Day Center Group Field Trips

"Normally he does not engage with anyone, but from the moment he came into the barn and started grooming the horses he hasn't stopped smiling."

- Diann Robinson, CEO Adult Day Center of Somerset County



HORSES FOR HEALING

Living with Cancer

For the 4th year, with support from generous donors, we provided **Horses for Healing, a free program for individuals living with, recovering from and living life after cancer.** Combining horseback riding lessons with tacking, groundwork and a sense of community. **11 participants reduced their anxiety and rebuilt their confidence** through the program which is a welcome distraction from the day to day cancer experience.

Living Life, Learning New Things

"The volunteers are delightful to work with, providing enthusiasm and support in so many ways. Never in my wildest dream did I think I could and would learn something new and wonderful at this point in my life. It makes me feel like I'm living with and not dying of cancer."

- Lori Zecchino, two time H4H participant



VOLUNTEERS

It takes a team

Mane Stream's 466 active volunteers played a crucial role ensuring that our participants reached their goals this year. Volunteers are truly the backbone of Mane Stream, helping to get the horses ready to work, keeping clients safe during lessons and therapy sessions, pitching in to prep for special events and overall creating the fun, healthy and vibrant community that is Mane Stream.

Mane Stream is Love!

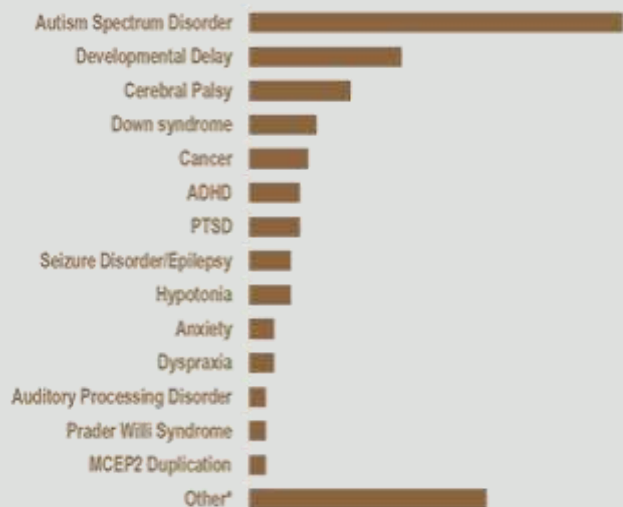
"There is no other word to describe Mane Stream than...LOVE! The riders, staff, volunteers and of course the horses make it an incredibly amazing place and the smiles show that we are having a wonderful impact!"

- Debi DeLorenzo, volunteer for over 13 years

Mane Stream BY THE NUMBERS

PRIMARY DECLARED DIAGNOSIS

(most Mane Stream Participants have more than one)



*Other: ADD, Agensis of the Corpus Collosum, Aicardi Syndrome, Amlyopia, Arthroygyprosis, Congenital CMV, Congenital Hypothyroidism, Dysgraphia, Dyslexia, Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, Floating Harbor Syndrome, Fragile X, Klippel Feil, MS, Neurofibromatosis, OCD, Opsoclonus Myoclonus, Pelvic Floor Dysfunction, Perioxsomal Disorder, Pitt Hopkins Syndrome, Sensorineural Hearing Loss, SOTOS Syndrome, Static Encephalophthy, Static Myoceplophy, Stroke (Hemiplegia), TBI, Tumor, and Turner Syndrome

COUNTIES SERVED

Bergen
Essex
Hudson
Hunterdon
Middlesex
Mercer
Monmouth
Morris
Somerset
Union
Warren



WORTH THE JOURNEY!
Some clients drive 60+ minutes

THERAPY SERVICES

providing therapy in multiple disciplines

83%

OF CLIENTS RECEIVE MULTIPLE SERVICES



28%

INCREASE IN VISITS OVER 2017

44

OPERATION: TAKE THE REINS
FREE COUNSELING SESSIONS FOR VETERANS

2 THERAPISTS

(Occupational Therapist & Speech-Language Pathologist)

who are Board Certified
Hippotherapy Clinical Specialists
(out of 6 in all of New Jersey)

ADAPTIVE RIDING

working toward independence



54%

RIDING FOR 5 OR MORE YEARS

1,650

TOTAL LESSONS

18

NEW RIDERS

36%

of
Adaptive Riders
competed
in the
Fall Horse Show

SUMMER CAMP

summer camp for ALL abilities



47%

CAME 2 YEARS OR MORE

12%

CAME TO MORE THAN 1 WEEK

32%

CAME WITH A SIBLING

FULL ATTENDANCE
shows we're doing things right!

EQUINE ACTIVITIES

scouts, seniors and schools



44

GIRL SCOUTS EARNED BADGES

42

SENIOR ADULT VISITORS

27

STUDENTS
FROM
3 SCHOOLS

FIELD TRIPS
connecting with
horses is a
positive experience
for visitors
of every age!

HORSES FOR HEALING

FREE program for those living with,
recovering from, and living life after cancer



82%

1ST TIME RIDERS

100%

REFERRED FROM
LOCAL CANCER
SUPPORT PARTNERS

18%

CURRENTLY
FIGHTING

100%
improved
quality of life
after
participating
in H4H

VOLUNTEERS

the HEART & SOUL of the organization



10,368

TOTAL HOURS VOLUNTEERED

466

VOLUNTEERS

30%

VOLUNTEERING
FOR 3+ YEARS

96%
of the
Mane Stream
workforce is
made up of
volunteers!

2018 FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

From Audited Financial Statement and 990

Revenue \$941,950

- 25% Program Income
- 75% Contributions
(Individuals, Foundations, Corporations, Special Events)

Expenses \$791,515

- 67% Program Expenses
- 21% Fundraising
(Appeals and Events)
- 12% Administrative

PROGRAM INCOME \$236,959

THERAPY SERVICES, ADAPTIVE RIDING, SUMMER CAMP, and FIELD TRIPS

PROGRAM EXPENSES \$528,464

HORSES, SUPPLIES, FACILITY/MAINTENANCE, and HUMAN RESOURCES

THE GAP \$291,505

DONORS LIKE YOU HELP KEEP PROGRAM FEES AFFORDABLE FOR OUR PARTICIPANTS



145

FIRST TIME DONORS

444

DONATED 1-5 YEARS
Consistent donors make Mane Stream financially stable.

128

MADE GIFTS OF <\$100

Small Gifts Have A Big Impact!



667

TOTAL DONORS

DONOR ACTIVITY

Matching Gift Companies

INCREASING THE IMPACT OF THEIR EMPLOYEES' GENEROSITY

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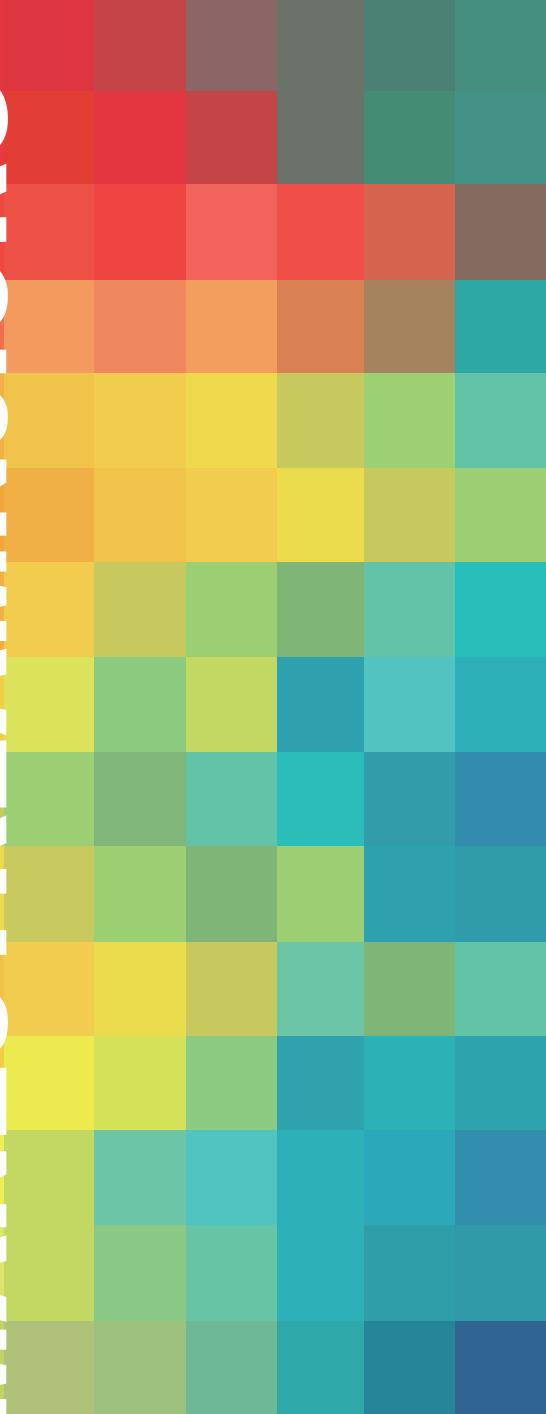
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