

# FACT SHEET 2022

# **About PATH Intl.**

About PATH Intl. PATH Intl. was formed in 1969 as the North American Riding for the Handicapped Association to promote equine-assisted services (EAS) for individuals with special needs. Since that time, the association's work to credential professionals and accredit centers has expanded, as have the categories of individuals served EAS. Through the work of 744 member centers and more than 4,755 professionals credentialed through PATH Intl., 45,135 children and adults, including more than 5,000 veterans, find a sense of health, wellness, a sense of independence and fun through EAS. Member centers range from small, one-person programs to large operations with several credentialed instructors and licensed therapists. In addition to horseback riding, a center may offer any number of EAS such as hippotherapy, carriage driving, interactive vaulting, trail riding, competition and more. Through a wide variety of educational resources, the association helps individuals start and maintain successful programs. There are 39,317 volunteers, 5,911 equines and thousands of contributors from all over the world making a difference in people's lives.

# Founded in 1969

# **Mission Statement**

We lead the advancement of professional equine-assisted services by supporting our members and stakeholders through rigorously developed standards, credentialing and education.

## **Vision Statement**

To ensure universal recognition of professional equine-assisted services and their transformative impacts that enrich lives.

# 2022 PATH Intl. Statistics

Data valid as of 12/2/21 based on 510 centers reporting statistics

TOTAL CENTER MEMBERS

744

Premier Accredited Centers . . . . . 255 Not-for-Profit Centers . . . . . . . . . . . . 489



3931

# TOTAL PATH INTL. CERTIFIED PROFESSIONALS

4755

Certified Driving Instructors	79
Certified Vaulting Instructors	26
Certified Equine Specialists	
in Mental Health and Learning	1019
CTRI	3406
Advanced	203
Master	22

TOTAL EQUINES

5911

TOTAL CENTER EMPLOYEES

3075

Total Centers Offering Internships <b>319</b>
Total Number of Center Volunteers <b>39,317</b>
Total Value* of Volunteer Hours
<b>\$1,725,163,128</b>
Average # of employees6.03
Average # of volunteers

\*The value of volunteer hours is based on the number of volunteers X center reported volunteer time X 29.95 as stated by independent sector.

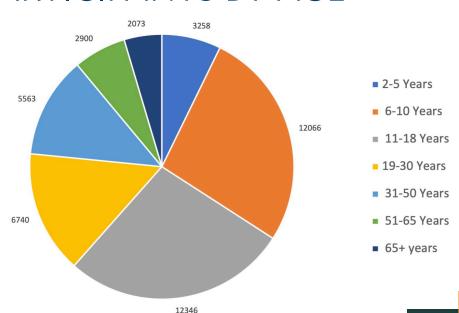
**4438** Horses, **838** Ponies, **419** Minis, **120** Donkeys, **23** Mules, **73** Mustangs

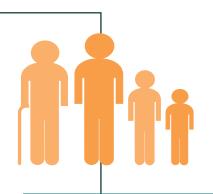


# PATH INTL. CENTERS OFFERING SPECIALTY PROGRAMS

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2019	2020	2022
Driving	49	59	60	65	<b>57</b>	66	66	40	45	42
PT, OT, SLP	177	237	243	237	217	216	205	136	346	117
<b>Equine-Assisted Learning</b>	197	281	303	335	333	357	362	331	119	311
Psychotherapy/ Counseling	96	125	129	149	143	155	158	137	147	118
Interactive Vaulting	34	48	39	47	32	40	31	20	24	15
<b>Veterans Programs</b>	178	233	267	317	315	335	316	280	267	236

# PARTICIPANTS BY AGE





# OF VETERANS SERVED

5043

CENTERS WITH WAITING LISTS 288
INDIVIDUALS ON WAITING LISTS 9650

TOTAL # OF PARTICIPANTS

45,135

AVG # PER CENTER

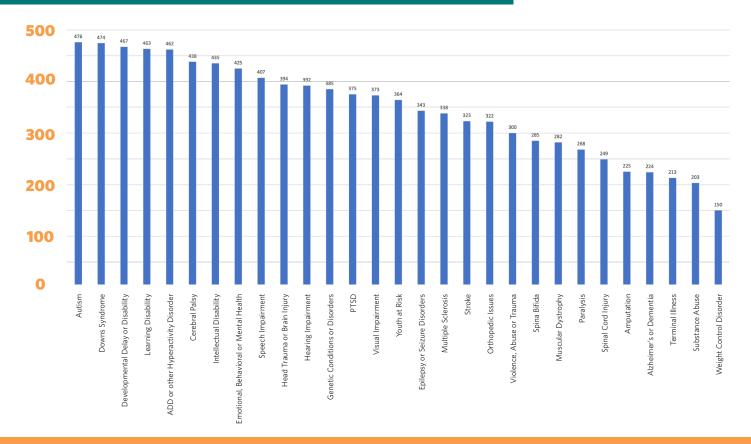
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# SPECIAL NEEDS SERVED





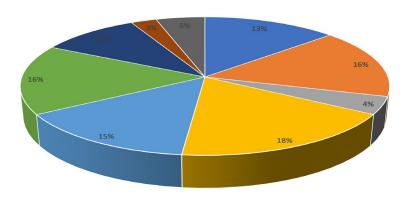






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Schools/Universities	371	444	467	486	459	512	477	321	326	293
Rehab Centers	179	219	227	243	224	268	244	157	170	137
<b>Group Homes</b>	388	444	471	475	450	476	463	313	328	297
Govt. Agencies	221	269	270	297	263	312	294	164	166	143
Nursing Homes	71	92	102	120	126	154	166	125	134	111
Hospices	42	44	61	70	70	85	82	54	57	52
Hospitals	124	141	150	163	157	163	154	108	117	109
Leadership Programs	-	162	216	241	247	287	284	152	160	145
<b>Wellness Programs</b>		76	109	135	138	159	158	137	138	124

# **FUNDING SOURCES**



- Foundations
- Fundraisers
- Government
- Individual Donations
- In Kind
- Participant Fees
- Corporations

# # OF CENTERS IN BUDGETS BETWEEN



\$0-\$999
\$1,000-\$9,999
\$10,000-\$19,999
\$20,000-\$49,999
\$50,000-\$99,999

3	\$100,000-\$149,999	51
23	\$150,000-\$199,999	42
44	\$200,000-\$499,999	108
68	\$500,000-\$1 million	53
84	OVFR 1 million	22







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BY SIZE	0-25K	25K- 149,999	150K- 299,999	300K- 1M	OVER 1M
2011	244	243	85	71	10
2012	270	287	98	77	14
2013	280	276	104	84	15
2014	256	294	106	96	16
2015	215	295	93	97	20
2016	215	318	105	109	20
2017	213	306	99	111	20
2019	131	264	88	104	28
2020	141	226	100	115	25
2022	101	182	102	100	22

**Professional Certifications:** Three levels of riding instructor certification, two levels of driving certification, one level of interactive vaulting certification, and the equine specialist in mental health certification, ensure the public that service providers have the skill and knowledge to provide safe and effective services.

**Accreditation:** The PATH Intl. Center Accreditation process ensures that member centers strive for the highest level of safety and proficiency.

International/Regional Conferences: The PATH Intl. Conference offers academic sessions with CEUs for instructor compliance, hands-on demonstrations at the Preconference and networking opportunities. PATH Intl. Regional Conferences offer a more intimate, local conference experience within each region for members to attend educational seminars, connect with others in their geographical region, receive updates on safety standards and share teaching ideas. The region conferences are also excellent outreach opportunities to gain new members and promote awareness of PATH Intl.

Communications: The award-winning PATH Intl. Strides magazine, PATH Intl. eNews, PATH Intl. Education eNews, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and LinkedIn provide valuable education information and updates to the PATH Intl. membership and EAS enthusiasts. Additionally, pathintl.org offers an indispensable tool for communication with the PATH Intl. membership and the general public.

**Industry and Association Awareness:** Through partnerships, advertising, speaking engagements, attendance at tradeshows and conventions, the PATH Intl. presence is furthering awareness of EAS and most importantly educating about the vital role PATH Intl. plays in credentialing member centers and professionals. PATH Intl. has presented or had a booth at the American Psychological Association, American Academy of Family Practitioners, American Therapeutic Recreation Association (ATRA), the Air Force Wounded Warrior Programs (AFW2), CARE Fair, All-American Quarter Horse Congress and Equine Affaires in Massachusetts and Columbus, resulting in tens of thousands of individuals having an increased awareness of the industry and association.

Mentor Training: The PATH Intl. Mentor Training Workshop assists Instructors-In-Training to link with highly qualified PATH Intl. Certified Instructors to fulfill the required mentored hours for the certification process. This is accomplished by training current PATH Intl. Certified Instructors about the needs of mentees and the responsibilities of being a mentor.

**Distance Education:** Online courses are currently being offered along with webinars and many session recordings from PATH Intl. conferences. More online offerings are continuing to be made available.

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	Individuals	Contoro	Premier Accredite
	IIIuiviuudis	Centers	Centers
Alabama	29	6	4
Alaska	9	4	-
Arizona	89	7	5
Arkansas	11	4	2
Armed Forces Europe	1	-	-
California	259	38	17
Colorado	167	23	7
Connecticut	71	6	5
Delaware	30	3	2
District of	1	1	
Columbia		, i	
Florida	223	43	13
Georgia	92	16	7
Hawaii	11	3	-
Idaho	32	5	2
Illinois	109	18	8
Indiana	86 32	9 5	7 2
lowa Kansas		9	
Kansas Kentucky	26 57	9 13	2 4
Louisiana	25	9	1
Maine	25 27	2	2
Maryland	95	9	9
Massachusetts	104	8	7
Michigan	72	11	6
Minnesota	57	9	5
Mississippi	10	3	1
Missouri	45	10	5
Montana	28	3	2
Nebraska	11	1	1
Nevada	16	4	2
New Hampshire	45	4	4
New Jersey	101	15	10
New Mexico	29	4	1
New York	179	18	10
North Carolina	153	17	13
North Dakota	21	5	1
0hio	131	16	14
Oklahoma	48	12	2
Oregon	53	4	3
Pennsylvania	152	24	8
Puerto Rico	2	-	-
Rhode Island	21	1	4
South Carolina	54	7	5
South Dakota	7	2	-
Tennessee	73	13	3
Texas	362	45	23
Utah	30	4	1
Vermont	30	5	2
Virginia	139	16	13
Washington	104	16	5
West Virginia	29	2	2
Wisconsin	89	19	3
Wyoming	26	4	2

INTERNATIONAL MEMBERS							
	Individuals						
Australia			Centers				
Canada							
Cayman Islands							
Costa Rica							
Croatia							
Germany							
Iceland							
Israel							
Japan							
Korea, Republic of							
Netherlands							
Norway							
Singapore							
South Africa							
United Arab Emirates							
United Kingdom							

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## **PATH Intl. Core Values**

**Access and inclusion**-promoting diversity and opportunity in equineassisted activities

**Compassion and caring**-providing a culture of safety, understanding, and ethical treatment of humans and horses engaged in equine-assisted services

Cooperation and collaborationconnecting and partnering with those who share the PATH Intl. vision in a mutually beneficial manner

**Education**-sharing valued knowledge with our constituents to facilitate their success

**Excellence**-promoting quality in all undertakings

**Innovation**-encouraging and supporting creativity, inquiry and cutting-edge research

**Integrity and accountability**-ensuring that all business is based on ethical principles and conducted with transparency

**Professionalism**-enhancing the value and credibility of the industry

**Service**-providing effective and responsive information and programs to our constituents

**Holism**-promoting an awareness of body, mind and spirit in equine-assisted services



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