



HorsePlay

THERAPY CENTER



HPT LAUNCHES RISE UP

We are thrilled to announce the launch of the RISE UP FOR VETERANS program in 2021, thanks to a challenge grant from the Delores Barr Weaver Legacy Fund and HPT supporters. RISE UP is an equine assisted therapy program for vets with PTSD.



IN 2021 HORSEPLAY:

- Provided 900 therapy sessions/month and awarded 30 scholarships to children with special needs.
- Partnered with Wounded Warrior Project to serve Veterans with PTSD
- Replaced our old fence at the barn and added a round pen.
- Added 4 new horses to our therapy team.
- Provided free Summer Camp for 20 children with special needs, all paid for by an anonymous donor.

ABOUT US

HorsePlay Therapy Center is a nonprofit 501c3 and the only program of its kind in Northeast Florida to provide comprehensive Hippotherapy as part physical, occupational, and speech therapy for children with disabilities such as Autism, Down Syndrome, Cerebral Palsy, Speech and Sensory Processing Disorders. Additionally, HPT now serves Veterans with PTSD and wounded warriors through a comprehensive equine-assisted therapy program called RISE UP. Thanks to our donors, no child or Veteran is denied treatment based on their ability to pay for therapy.



DEAR FRIENDS,

What a year 2021 was! It has certainly been challenging to navigate through COVID-19, but I am excited to share how we were able to carry on and accomplish so much, thanks to YOU!

The first time I treated my young patient, Allison, on a horse, I never anticipated the profound impact therapy on a horse would have on her. Within months of starting hippotherapy, Allison was doing things we had been working on for over a year. The greatest moment, by far, was when Allison - who had been nonverbal - surprised us and spoke her very first word at 3 years old. She said, "Mom!" Can you imagine the joy of that moment?

This year, Allison and her mother spoke at our 2nd annual "Night Under the Stars" fundraising event in support of Hippotherapy for children with disabilities.

There are over 7,000 children in St. Johns County with special needs like Down Syndrome, Autism, and Cerebral Palsy. This year, HorsePlay Therapy has significantly increased our therapy sessions, growing from 600/mo in 2020 to 900/mo in 2021. We also held two Summer Camp sessions for kids with disabilities, at no cost to their families.

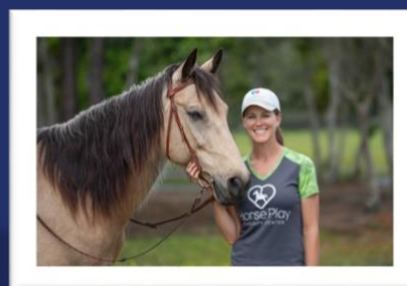
Lastly, I am thrilled to tell you we broadened our services in 2021, launching a new equine assisted therapy program called "RISE UP" for veterans with PTSD and other life-altering injuries and began a partnership with Wounded Warrior Project. In 2022, we plan to purchase 18 acres in order to grow the RISE UP program.

I humbly ask for your continued financial support of HorsePlay Therapy. YOU are the difference-makers!

Sincerely,

Vicky Carregal, MSPT

Founder/Executive Director



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We ask for your continued financial support for children with special needs in St. Johns County and for our Veterans struggling with PTSD. HorsePlay Therapy Center is dedicated to serving children and Veterans in this community through equine assisted therapy, regardless of their ability to pay. Please join us in 2022 and be a part of all the amazing things that are happening right here in your back yard! You, our friends and supporters, are the real difference-makers!

SAVE THE DATE!

APRIL 22, 2021

BBQ & BEER at THE BARN

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HorsePlay Therapy Center

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St. Augustine, FL 32086

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Yes, I want to help change the lives of children and Veterans!

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