

Scholarship funds are limited, and intended to assist those with financial need who would otherwise not be able to participate in a therapeutic horsemanship experience.

THERAPEUTIC HORSE PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION GUIDELINES 2018

Scholarship recipients will be awarded up to fifteen (15) vouchers each to be used for therapeutic horseback riding lessons, horse care, leading, cart riding, & other horse related activities during spring/summer/fall 2018. The Therapeutic Horse Scholarship Committee anticipates the following stables will participate in the program:

- Verde View Equestrian Center, 746 Colesville Road, Binghamton (near Sanitaria Springs)
- Athelas Therapeutic Riding, 1179 County Highway 5, Otego
- Golden Gait Farm, 3613 Pine Swamp Road, Sidney Center
- SUNY Cobleskill

Horse program activities will be scheduled by the individual & their family/advocate and vouchers **must be used by December 31, 2018**. Awardees will be given 5 vouchers, and must contact Barb Hein for any additional vouchers after these have been used.

Scholarship recipients from prior years may apply, but those who *did not use their vouchers*, or who were *no-shows for scheduled sessions* are not likely to receive a scholarship again.

The following guidelines and criteria will determine an applicant's eligibility to receive funds from the Therapeutic Horse Scholarship Program:

- Scholarships are available to children and adults with developmental disabilities who receive services from Springbrook.
- *Due to limited funding, preference will be given to those can demonstrate financial need and/or circumstances that reflect why they would be unable to participate in a therapeutic horse program without scholarship assistance.*
- The application requires clear goals and objectives for the individual's participation.
- Applicants must commit to using scholarship vouchers during the current year, and at the participating stables.
- *To fulfill Springbrook's mission of inclusion, funding may be used for horseback riding lessons, horse care, leading, cart riding, and other horse related activities.*

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY FEBRUARY 16, 2018 You may apply using the online form, print the pdf application form and submit the hard copy, email, or fax to Barbara Hein, Office of Marketing & Fund Development. **Scholarship recipients will be notified in early March.**

Springbrook Employees: Please involve the individual, family, &/or advocate when applying.

Any questions regarding the **Therapeutic Horse Scholarship Program** may be directed to:
Sherry Waffle at waffles@springbrookny.org, 607.353-7272 x2800 or
Barb Hein heinb@springbrookny.org, 607-286-7171 x303

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APPLICANT (RIDER) INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

Age: _____ Phone: (____) _____ - _____ Best Email: _____

Primary Diagnosis: _____

Secondary Diagnosis: _____

Person Requesting Funds: _____ (Name & Relationship to Applicant)

Who will be responsible for scheduling lessons/ notifying stable of changes or cancellations?

(For example: parent, MSC, residence supervisor, ?)

Who will provide transport to/from lessons?: _____

Please describe, in a short narrative, how the applicant would benefit from participating in the Therapeutic Horse Program. Please include the **goals and objectives** for the applicant with regard to this program. *A follow-up questionnaire will be completed at the end of the lesson period.*

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Are there any special concerns or needs that we should be aware of (medical or otherwise)?

Please include a statement of need, financial hardship or circumstances that demonstrate why a scholarship is needed in order for the applicant to participate in Therapeutic Horseback Riding.

Please check if you receive: Food Stamps/SNAP TANF HEAP

Is the applicant comfortable around animals? *Please describe any contact with horses specifically.*

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Has the ***attempt been made*** to obtain funding from another source for this purpose? If yes, where and when did you apply? Was funding approved?

We anticipate that the following stables will be participating in this program. Please indicate your preference:

- Verde View Equestrian Center, 746 Colesville Road, Binghamton (near Sanitaria Springs)
- Athelas Therapeutic Riding, 1179 County Highway 5, Otego
- Golden Gait Farm, 3613 Pine Swamp Road, Sidney Center
- SUNY Cobleskill

Signature of Parent/Guardian/Advocate/Individual:

Date: _____

Signature of Springbrook Employee:

Date: _____

Submit application by Friday, Feb 16, 2018 to Barbara Hein via any **ONE** of these means: 1) online form; 2) mail to Springbrook Office of Marketing & Fund Development, 105 Campus Drive, Oneonta NY 13820; 3) email to heinb@springbrookny.org; or 4) fax to Barb Hein @ 607-286-7166