



Champlain Adaptive Mounted Program (CHAMP)

Changing lives one ride at a time

Founded in 1987, thousands of lives have been positively impacted by CHAMP's horse-assisted therapy programs over our 36-year journey. CHAMP is a PATH certified, volunteer driven, donation based 501(c)(3) non-profit.

CHAMP is unlike any other form of therapy. Our horse-assisted sessions focus on fostering physical well-being, emotional connection, and social and cognitive development in a fun, welcoming and inclusive environment.

To learn more, please visit vtchamp.org.

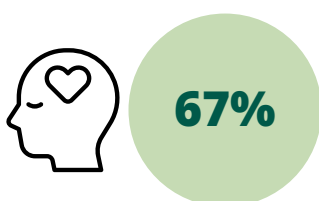
YOU ARE AWESOME!

THANK YOU to everyone for supporting our mission in 2023 by **DONATING**  **VOLUNTEERING**  **SPREADING THE WORD**
We are excited to share the impact your generosity made possible in 2023.

EVIDENCE BASED CHAMP PROGRAM IMPACTS



Average % Improvement Physical Health Score after participating in the CHAMP program*



Average % Improvement Psychosocial Health Score after participating in the CHAMP program*



Parental/Caretaker Satisfaction
100% would recommend CHAMP to friends or colleagues

*As reported by Parents/ Caretakers in the PedsQL 4.0 Inventory

Several research studies have used the PedsQL 4.0 inventory to measure the effectiveness and impact of horse-assisted therapy on the physical, emotional, social, and, where applicable, school functioning of children and adults.

WORDS MOST COMMONLY USED TO DESCRIBE CHAMP

As reported by Clients, Parents, Caretakers, Volunteers





“As a parent, you want nothing more than happiness and success for your kids. CHAMP is a place where she can experience that everytime. It’s why we have been coming here for 15 years.”

BEHIND THE SCENES Creating transformative experiences for each participant



429

Therapeutic Riding Sessions Conducted in 2023
Includes individual riding sessions
+
summer riding camp

Every session embodied our core values of:

*Affordability
Inclusivity
Achievement through Fun
Safety*

In 2023, CHAMP served individuals with:

- Anxiety
- Autism
- ADHD
- Cerebral palsy
- Depression
- Disruptive Mood Dysregulation Disorder (DMDD)
- Down Syndrome
- Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS)
- Rubinstein-Taybi Syndrome (RTS)
- Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)



CHAMP VOLUNTEERS

They embody the spirit of community and service

*Countless acts of kindness and grace.
They are vital to the program.*

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Dedicated
Volunteers

Over
8000

Hours Generously
Contributed

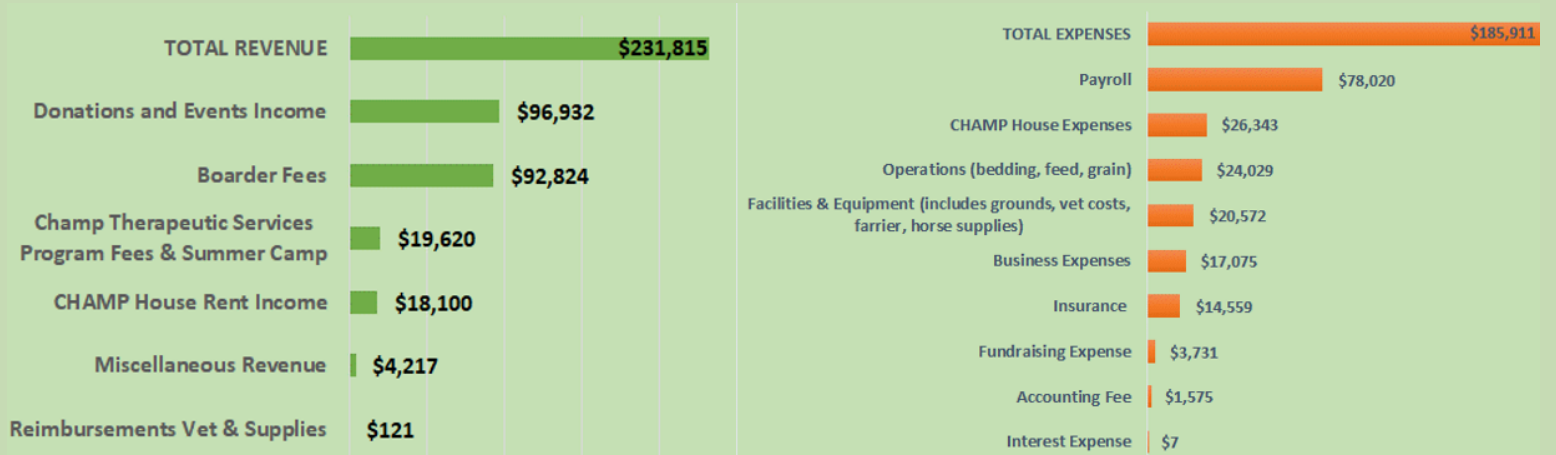
27th Annual CHAMP Benefit
Trail Ride Dedicated in Honor
of the late Sue Haigh
An 11-year CHAMP Volunteer



FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY

Your trust and financial support have been instrumental.

CHAMP is committed to the responsible allocation of funds, ensuring sustainability and accountability.



Note: Every donation and event dollar goes directly to supporting CHAMP Therapeutic Program Services, guaranteeing your contribution makes a meaningful difference.

CHAMP THERAPY HORSES

Your support covered the essential costs of caring for our therapy horses, ensuring their well-being as they play a vital role in our participants' journeys.



- Specially trained for their role, these gentle and intuitive animals are at the core of the success of the program.
- Their calm presence and responsive nature create a unique bond with our participants, fostering a sense of trust and connections



\$22.69

Cost to Feed & House a Therapy Horse for One Day
Does not include veterinary care.

Your donations supported the 365-day a year, round the clock care of our therapy horses:

- Four times a day feeding (hay, grain and supplements)
- Individual grooming and exercise
- Barn stall cleaning and fresh bedding
- Paddock cleaning and upkeep
- Regular Farrier Services
- Regular and Emergency Veterinary Care



“CHAMP is therapy that works, does not hurt or involve going to a doctor’s office, and is fun.”



Acknowledgements

CHAMP gratefully acknowledges all who have given so generously in 2023.

CHAMPion Award Recipients in recognition of individuals or groups who have gone above and beyond in their support of CHAMP: Kevin Steady and the Arrowhead Eagles Aerie #4218, Will Guy of Guy’s Farm and Yard.

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We apologize for any errors or omissions. Kindly contact us with any corrections.*

Thank you for being the driving force behind every success and every smile.

Together, we are changing lives one ride at a time