

Representing the Shield of Faith,
the White Horse of Strength, and
the gold crown of restoration.



Equine Assisted Development

EAD runs largely on volunteers.

On November 4th, they were treated to a wonderful meal, prepared by Deb and Butch and served by the board. The event was held in the gorgeous Venue 3Two, donated to us by our friends, the Strayers.



Thank you to our board for another year of effort and guidance. You help us adhere to our core values of hope, honesty, dignity, integrity, and respect.

WHO WE SERVE

- ▶ Family Outreach Center Respite Program, ages 5-14
- ▶ Menasseh Project: Wedgwood program for human trafficking victims
- ▶ Antonini House: Wedgwood home for girls
- ▶ Caledonia Schools
- ▶ Crossroads Alternative School
- ▶ Restorative program for students suspended 180 days in Kent County
- ▶ Monthly day retreats
- ▶ Foster/Adopted youth
- ▶ Alzheimer's/dementia community members

IN 2019 ...

EAD served over 600 clients, two-thirds of whom were unable to pay. We strive to work with all those that are in need of our valuable services. EAD is a critical part of the Grand Rapids mental health care network.

FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As we continue to build our hoof print in the urban community, we invite you to consider investing in the lives of the folks that look to the horses for hope and healing. Any donation, no matter how large or how small, helps create a sustainable future. To give monthly, go to our secure website: eadgl.org. As one of our young clients said, "There is no other therapy better than what I learn about myself at the barn." We need your support.

THANK YOU to our 2019 BOOTS & Bling Event Sponsors!

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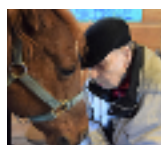
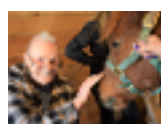
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And to all of our friends, THANK YOU for giving to and/or attending our event to help us raise over \$12,000!



Vista Springs had 24 sessions this year with 8 of their community members. What began as entertainment quickly impacted each person in profound ways. We are looking forward to our next season with these amazing people.

Welcome to the board!
Scott Shaw,
PhD, D.Min.



Professor of Human Services, Dean, School of Social Sciences and Human Services, Grace Christian University.

DID YOU KNOW?

Horses keep warm by chewing, so in the winter its especially crucial for our most valuable team, the herd, to have quality hay. This year has been devastating to our Mich. farmers and the price of hay has doubled.

We were able to buy 800 bales of hay this summer, but the drastic onset of winter has us eating through our stash rather quickly.



7 month-old Seal is growing stronger and enjoying time in the pasture with Noelle!

ANNOUNCING...

Our dream to build a children's book series launched this fall. Through its message, young ones understand their feelings and learn how horses do that too.

To purchase this book go to Schuler's Books or www.schulerbooks.com/chapbook-press. All proceeds go back to our valuable herd.



As believers in Jesus Christ and the gospel, John 10:10 pushes us to the why of our hope and the how of science. We believe in objective truth, scripture, and the Holy Spirit. We are the hands and feet of Jesus, wishing to be a light people run to, and we point people to Jesus. Real happiness starts in a stable.