ANNUAL REPORT 2024



TEAD MISSION

At TEAD our mission is to empower individuals with disabilities through the transformative power of equine-assisted therapy. We are dedicated to providing a safe, inclusive, and nurturing environment where people can experience the physical, emotional, and psychological benefits of therapeutic riding/programming.

TEAD VALUES

We strive to demonstrate our values every day, and in everything we do.

- Commitment to Safety
- Collaboration
- Integrity
- Respect

KEY STAFF

Melissa Horvath - Executive Director
Hilary Webb - Program Manager (until March)
Debra Nelson- Barn Manager
Kylie Huybens - Program Resource Coordinator (March onwards)
Kris Rose- Bookkeeper
Rachel Harper - Program Assistant (until June)
Kezia Di Donato- Program Assistant (June onwards)

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Sarah Ernest- Director



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2024 OVERVIEW

2024 was a year of resilience, growth, and meaningful connections—laying the foundation for even greater achievements in 2025

In 2024, TEAD marked a year of significant growth and progress. We welcomed [X] new staff members, bringing fresh expertise and energy to our programs. Our facilities saw key capital improvements, enhancing safety, accessibility, and participant experience. Exciting new program initiatives were launched, expanding opportunities for therapeutic and equine-assisted activities. Through strengthened community partnerships, we reached more participants and deepened our local impact. We hosted [X] new events, engaging supporters and raising essential funds, and proudly achieved accreditation, affirming our commitment to excellence. Together, these accomplishments reflect a year of innovation, dedication, and preparation for continued growth in 2025.

1. New Staff Members and Board of Director Member





- New instructors
- New program administrator
- New board of director member

2. Capital Improvements




- Clubhouse completion
- OTF roof
- Round bale feeders

3. New Program Initatives






- GEDSB
- EAL Facilitator
- Mentorship program
- Horse Parent
- Clinical
- Mane Support Society
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4. New Community Partnerships Explored




- HGCC
- Golf partnerships
- HTC
- REACH
- Grand Masons
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PROGRAMS & SERVICES

TEAD provides therapeutic riding and equine-based programs to children and adults with disabilities. Through the power of horses, individuals experience physical, mental and social benefits. TEAD is a place where everyone belongs.

17% increase
in the number of individuals served at TEAD

491 Program spots were filled in 2023

41 primary diagnoses seen including autism, cerebral palsy, genetic syndromes, ADHD

66% of program participants are 18 years and younger

222 **Unique individuals served including:**

(some people participate in more than one program)

352 **Therapeutic Riding**

5 **Equine Assisted Learning**

34 **Unmounted Programs**

100 **Summer Camp**

A broad range of programs were offered in 2024



Therapeutic riding

Private, semi-private & group lessons



Summer camp

8 weeks of integrated camp for ages 6-16



Unmounted

Grooming
Teen Program
Munchkins in Motion



EAL

Leadership, communication & teamwork



"It has been very heartwarming to see her having so much fun while gaining strength and balance"

VOLUNTEERS

43% increase in volunteer support

Average = 116 volunteer shifts filled per week.

Volunteers per session

(some individuals volunteer for more than one session)

Spring = unknown **Summer = 69**

Fall = 84 **Winter = unknown**

Night Feeders = 20

- We held our first annual Volunteer Appreciation Tea at the Blackheath Lion's Club where volunteers gathered for a magic show, food, and some awards/prizes.
- A generous City Enrichment Fund grant provided us with funds to purchase a volunteer scheduling system as well as increase the volunteer coordinator hours to build a strong volunteer department.
- We partnered with various companies who value community volunteer work. These groups helped us make our property look beautiful with every visit.

TEAD Volunteers in Action



BARN





LESSONS





FACILITIES





HORSES

18 horses and ponies of various sizes and breeds served our riders in 2023



Jimmy



Willie



Lady



Gypsy



Cooper

Not all TEAD horses are pictured

UPGRADES

Thanks to many hours of in-kind labour, individual directed donations, and multiple capital grants totalling $102,000 TEAD was able to invest in capital upgrades to improve on safety, accessibility, and quality of experience.

Upgrades include:

- Fencing repairs & paddock regrading
- Upgraded manure containment area
- Upgraded arena footing
- New arena kick-boards
- Installed state of the art mounting ramp
- New equipment storage room
- Repainted barn, office and outbuildings
- New Volunteer break room











FINANCIALS

Total 2023 Operational Expenses = $

(compared to $451,873 in 2021)

2022 was a challenging year as TEAD continued to face pandemic restrictions without financial subsidies and a dampened fundraising environment brought on by inflation and economic uncertainties. The cost of maintaining the TEAD herd and retaining staff also increased significantly.

The net result was an operational loss of $4,358 on the year *

For a complete 2023 financial report, please contact Melissa Horvath at Melissa.horvath@tead.on.ca or 905.679.8323 ext 223

*-$33,484 if you include amortization and investment income losses.

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We are so grateful for the many individuals, companies, organizations and foundations that support TEAD.

Thank You

222 donations were made to TEAD in 2023. We are grateful for every gift!

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Tractor on loan to TEAD
Thank you for your ongoing support!





Golf Tournament 2023
Our best tournament to date. Thank you for all who joined us on the greens.

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

As we begin our 46th year, we have a bold vision for the future. We continue to learn, build, and support each other, all with the mission of helping individuals optimize their health through the power of horses. We look forward to continued friendships with you all!

Your TEAD Team