

# A forever HOME

for

## SAVANNAH STATION

### Therapeutic Riding Program



**SAVANNAH STATION**   
THERAPEUTIC RIDING PROGRAM

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CAPITAL CAMPAIGN: A CASE FOR SUPPORT





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When you learn your child has special needs, you start to hear all the "You will nevers"...

You will never see her walk or hear her words. Hearts are broken.

Then one day, your daughter is placed on a horse, revealing her cowgirl spirit. A whole new world of healing and hope is opened.

Savannah Station, a therapeutic riding center named for my daughter who was told she would never, has transformed many of the "she will nevers" into "Look at what she can do!" She has found a place to shine; a place to belong.

We get to hear Savannah's joy fill the arena. We get to see how strong her stomach muscles have gotten after her full spinal fusion as she sits high on her horse. We get to hear her giggles! We get to see the volunteers who love her. As parents, we get to cheer on our child as we watch her ride. We get to see her hips gaining strength to ensure she won't need her 9th major surgery. The "nevers" transform into accomplishments, milestones, and joy!

This program has given this mom the ability to watch her daughter's natural cowgirl spirit shine. This program has given Savannah a place to highlight her abilities, not her disabilities.

ATHENA CAPTAIN

SAVANNAH STATION PARENT,  
CO-FOUNDER OF SAVANNAH STATION,  
BOARD MEMBER AND VOLUNTEER





## ABOUT SAVANNAH STATION

Savannah Station Therapeutic Riding Program, Inc. is a nonprofit therapeutic riding facility, which has changed lives for people with disabilities since 2013. Savannah Station serves a large population as the only therapeutic riding program in the Oklahoma City metropolitan area.

## THERAPEUTIC RIDING

Therapeutic riding uses equine-assisted activities to improve the cognitive, physical, emotional, and social well-being of people with a wide range of disabilities and medical conditions. Horses move in a three-dimensional gait, similar to that of humans. For individuals who suffer from the effects of profound physical disabilities, the complex act of riding a horse can improve balance, circulation, and strength. Children and adults with ADHD, anxiety, Autism, and other cognitive and developmental challenges develop increased self-control, focus, and improved verbal and non-verbal communication when connecting with and riding a horse.

### Our Mission is to offer Hope and Healing to people with special needs through the amazing power of the Horse.

Miracles happen every day at Savannah Station Therapeutic Riding Program. We see young children bravely climb up on a 1,000-pound creature determined to overcome fear, to do better, to be better. We see people lifted from wheelchairs to experience life-giving sessions riding an intuitive, gentle horse. We see people of all ages empowered to do battle with the

effects of trauma and stress through their connection with a Savannah Station horse.

We also see hundreds of compassionate, encouraging volunteers, taking time out of their busy lives to help, lift and guide the people we serve every day at Savannah Station.

Savannah Station's staff of PATH-Certified Instructors assess each rider's capabilities, histories, goals, and dreams for the future. Whatever the goal—gaining enough balance and strength to sit upright for the first time or calming debilitating fears and anxieties—we gather all of our experience, knowledge, resources and training, along with the power of our horses, to help every person who comes to Savannah Station to work toward achievable transformation.

At Savannah Station....

- A rider with severe autism spoke his first words to Pollo, a Savannah Station horse.
- A rider with a rare disorder can now walk, something doctors did not believe was possible.
- A rider having an emotional melt down was comforted by his horse and able to finish his ride.

*"Tule and I have such a special bond, when I am riding, he seems to relax and know what I expect out of him!"*

HUNTER, SAVANNAH STATION RIDER

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## IMPACT AND FACTS



■ The POWER OF 100 of Canadian County, blessed us with a gift that blew us away. February 2022.



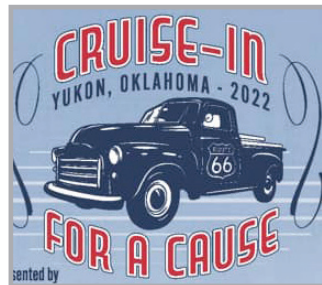
■ Gold, Silver and Bronze! Over 22 riders competed in the Special Olympics Oklahoma and all won medals! WE ARE SO PROUD OF THEM! 2020-2021-2022.



■ National news and Good Morning America showed a story of our rider, Hunter. He surprised his senior class by standing up out of his wheelchair and WALKING across the stage! (www.cbsnews.com/video/teen-with-cerebral-palsy-achieves-goal-of-walking-across-graduation-stage/) May 2020.



■ Gold, Silver and Bronze! Nine riders competed in the OK State Fair Horse Show and all won medals! WE ARE SO PROUD OF THEM!. September 2022.



■ Cruise -In For A Cause selected Savannah Station as a recipient. Yukon, OK. September 2022.

### PARTNERSHIPS WITH:



■ LifeChurch Yukon, OK



■ Kingfisher Elks



■ SW Covenant Schools, Patriot Project Yukon, OK



■ Redbud Elementary School

**CRAIG MCVAY,**  
Retired Superintendent  
El Reno Public Schools

*"El Reno Public Schools has the incredible privilege of sending our students to Savannah Station."*

*Andi Holland and her staff offer a great opportunity and instill a sense of pride and accomplishment in each one of our students.*

*El Reno Public Schools is a proud partner with Savannah Station and look to continue that partnership in the future."*

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## RHETT



**MEET A BRAVE COWBOY... RHETT!** Around the arena "Team Rhett" goes, singing Old MacDonald, Itsy Bitsy Spider, and Wheels on the Bus. Rhett uses sign language for his horse to "WALK ON" and high fives in the direction of a right or left turn.

"Rhett has been through a lot in his 5 years. He has Down Syndrome and is a cancer survivor! Every week, as a family (Dad and Mom are his side-walkers), we get to put those issues on the back burner for an hour. Rhett has grown so much at Savannah Station! He had a rough start with lots of screaming and crying, but with patience, structure, positive reinforcement, and consistency Rhett is now thriving. We have been inexplicably blessed by Savannah Station and the opportunity for Rhett to just be a kid and have fun! He smiles and laughs now."

JOE AND KEELY MALLORY, SAVANNAH STATION PARENTS AND VOLUNTEERS





## THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN: A CASE FOR SUPPORT

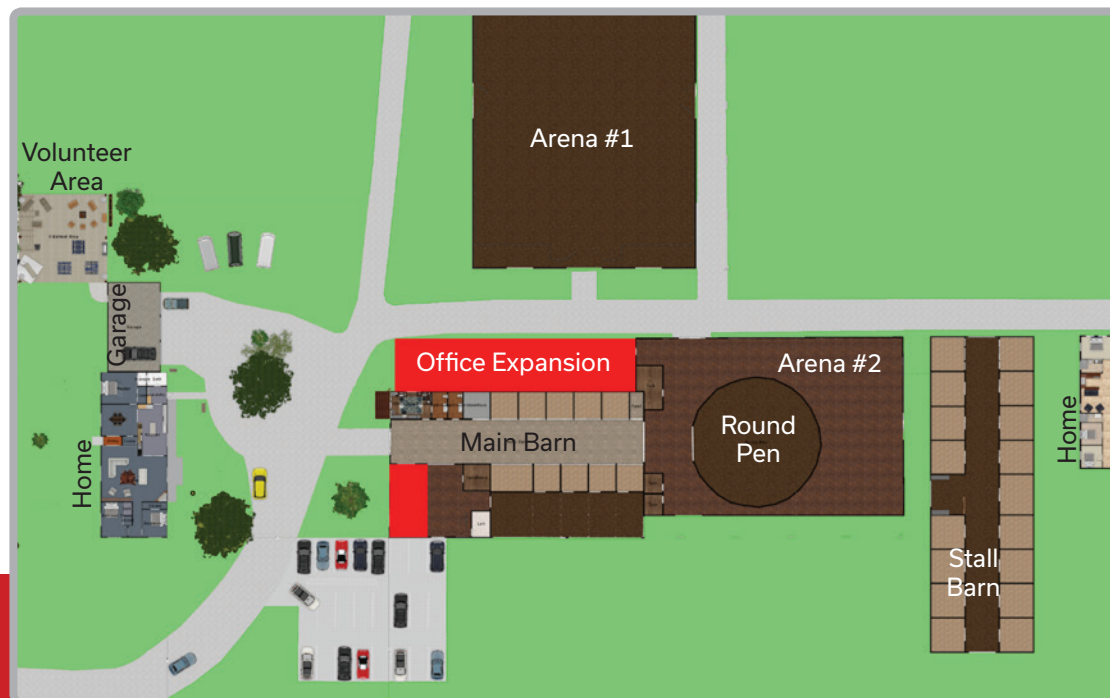
Savannah Station started as a mobile program. For the last three years, we rented space in a large facility. With huge dreams in our hearts, and too many riders on the waiting list... expansion was necessary!

Doors began to open with the property of our dreams becoming available and a generous donation from a Savannah Station supporter. We stepped forward with faith in our hearts and purchased our forever home.

Now, we enter the campaign stage to raise additional funds to cover the costs of the loan, operating expenses, and the necessary facility improvements to accommodate our riders' needs. Our goal is to fully upgrade Savannah Station Riding Center, making it a state-of-the-art therapeutic riding center. The current property includes 20 acres of

*"For those of us who work and volunteer here, the mission of Savannah Station Riding Center is our ministry, our calling, and our passion. We are joyous about the possibilities and promises of this beautiful property, and are proud to be able to offer you a place with us in its future and success."*

DAVIDENE HUMPHREYS  
 VOLUNTEER



land with two indoor riding arenas and a round pen, a main barn with 10 stalls, a secondary stall barn and two modular homes. Initial improvements involve making the entire property fully ADA compliant and cleaning and upgrading existing buildings; adding bathrooms, viewing areas, classrooms, office space, volunteer gathering space, parking space, inside and outside fencing and safety rails, as well as acquiring the necessary equipment to support the horses and care for the land and buildings.

Future plans, as funds are made available, will allow for more horses and pasture space, UTV, a garden, an electric entrance gate, a sensory trail for trail riding, and we could go on and on... there are so many dreams we want to see realized. The potential for extending Savannah Station's horizons and outreach is endless.



## PROPERTY BENEFITS AND OPPORTUNITIES

### LOCATION

"There are three things of utmost importance to the success of any business... location, location, and location!" Our new property is located in Yukon, Oklahoma, the fastest growing area in the state of Oklahoma and just 10 miles from the greater Oklahoma City area. This location will facilitate an increase in volunteers and riders who can easily access the riding center.

### EXPANSION

For years, we have dreamed of expanding our programs to include seniors, veterans, physical therapy, occupational therapy, counseling, community outreach programs, a competitive show team, and more. These often under-served groups can all be given hope and encouragement through connection with our wonderful horses.

### SET FOR LIFE!

This location is a perfect long-term fit for our program. It can truly be our forever home. There is space to DREAM here in ways we never thought possible!

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# A forever HOME for LILLY



"Where is Lilly? Where is Lilly?" Lilly's teachers sang countless times over 5 years, waiting for her to respond back with no success. Lilly, non-verbal and on the Autism spectrum, had yet to find effective treatment ... until Savannah Station.

Riding in the Savannah Station program, Lilly has shown true progress. She now has a place to feel safe and a new-found friend in Tule, the horse she rides. One day, after riding, she returned to school and something amazing happened. When Lilly's teachers sang, "Where is Lilly? Where is Lilly?" Lilly found her voice for the first time. She responded, "Here I am! Here I am!" The power of therapeutic riding is truly amazing. Thank you, Savannah Station, for helping my daughter find her voice and providing a place where she can feel comfortable to be herself.

SHEILAH MANTOOTH, SAVANNAH STATION PARENT

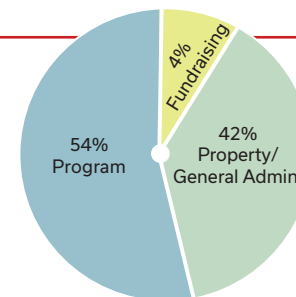


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### YOUR GIFT WILL LAST A LIFETIME

Savannah Station is grateful for your generous donation and returns the favor!

- 1. Financial Benefit:** Savannah Station is a 501C3, so you or your business will benefit financially with a tax deduction for your donation. Tax ID#47-1943254
- 2. Recognition:** Use this opportunity to advertise yourself and/or your business by taking advantage of a naming opportunity. Plaques will display sponsorship on the property and you will be listed on our website and other appropriate advertising.
- 3. Family:** This is a home-town organization. It is in your back yard. You have an open invitation to our fundraising events and our annual graduation celebrations.
- 4. Miracles:** Miracles happen every day at Savannah Station, and they will continue to happen because you and others with a giving heart like yours, are making it possible.



#### WHERE YOUR GIFTS ARE USED

2021 Total Expenses: \$252,562.

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#### GIVING OPTIONS



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**ONLINE**  
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*"The name Diamond Arena was chosen to show the riders how precious they are. Diamonds are the most precious of gems, formed under heat and pressure to become priceless. Just like our riders, encouraged, refined and developed to sparkle and shine just like priceless diamonds."*

-David and Patricia Stone

## NAMING OPPORTUNITIES

When you invest in a naming opportunity—whether in tribute, for a business, or in your own name—you are supporting the life-changing program of Savannah Station, leaving a permanent legacy for generations to come! Below is a sample of our naming opportunities. Our complete list is on our website as well as the paper insert.

### Pay Our Mortgage Note

**Legacy Sponsorship** .....\$284,000  
A Forever Home— free and clear!

### Main Barn

.....\$100,000  
Welcomes you to Savannah Station and is the housing for our herd of healers.

### Tractor with Front Loader and Hay Spikes

.....\$30,000

### Sensory Trail

.....\$10,000  
A riding trail with interactive activities

### Main Barn Stalls (10)

.....\$5,000 each  
Individual stalls for each of our healing team members.

### Hay Storage

.....\$1,000  
Holds a large supply of winter forage.

## FOCUS AREAS OF GIVING

At Savannah Station there are several different areas where your donations can make a big impact:

### Capital Campaign:

The land and buildings of our Forever Home provide the solid foundation for our program to flourish. Without solid structures and safe pastures, stalls and arenas our program cannot exist.

### Naming Opportunities:

As part of the Capital Campaign, donors have the opportunity of naming a variety of buildings, pastures or other items that are essential to the program.

### Program/Operations:

Savannah Station is here to change the trajectory in the lives of a special needs family by providing Hope and Healing through the amazing power of the Horse.

### Grants/Foundation Sources:

Your assistance in getting Savannah Station in front of the right fundraising contacts and sources is a terrific way to help further the mission.

## OUR GOAL



Have you ever experienced a "Yee-Haw" moment? Meet Savannah! One of her first rides at Savannah Station was on a horse named Tequila. Savannah struggled with verbal communication and did not like to pick up the reins, but that day she did. She held the reins up with one hand, raised the other in the air, and yelled "Yee-Haw!" Then she put the reins down on Tequila's neck in their "proper place" according to her. Over the past 5 years, Savannah Station has given her the freedom and confidence to use her reins properly and ride without fear. She doesn't even realize she is learning!

DAVID AND PATRICIA STONE, SAVANNAH STATION GRANDPARENTS AND VOLUNTEERS



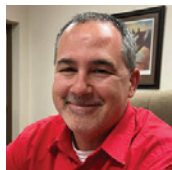


## BOARD OF DIRECTORS



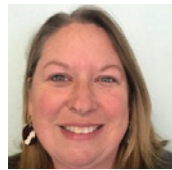
**Tomas Manske, Chairman**  
Rancher and Professional Auctioneer, lives in Yukon, OK

■ Tomas Manske grew up on a farm and ranch in Northwest Oklahoma raising cattle and cereal grain crops and helping with the family auction business. After college, he continued a career in different levels of education from teaching high school and as a 4-H youth educator to serving in leadership roles in non-profit youth organizations. With the majority of his tenure being in the Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service for 24 years. He also has experience working with volunteers, foundations and other non-profit organizations, and enjoys incorporating technology to streamline processes and outcomes. Tom was recently elected as a Canadian County Commissioner.



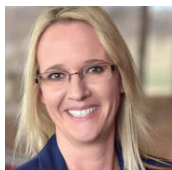
**Jeff Sullins, Vice Chairman**  
Vice President of Compliance & Risk, WEOKIE Federal Credit Union, lives in Oklahoma City, OK.

■ Jeff has served on the Board of Savannah Station on and off since it was formed in 2013 and is currently serving in his second term as Vice Chairman. He represents participating families on the Board as his daughter, Lindsey is a participant in the program. He has been employed with WEOKIE Federal Credit Union since 1995. He also volunteers a great deal of his time to Special Olympics Oklahoma.



**Niki Fanning, Secretary**  
Bohannon Insurance professional and business owner, lives in Yukon, OK

■ Niki is a native to the Yukon community, and she firmly believes in giving back to the places that she cherishes. She is a local business owner, works for a local insurance company, and has children that are very active in the community. For Niki, Savannah Station fits with her passions and is a great way to give back to the community.



**NikKi Henley, Treasurer**  
Controller and Corporate Secretary, Hall Capital LLC, lives in El Reno, OK

■ Nikki joined the Savannah Station board in 2022. She is a CPA and was honored as an Oklahoma Society of CPAs Trailblazer Award winner in 2022. She and her husband Adam have one son, Jace. Nikki's favorite things are spending time with her family, fishing, and all things OSU.



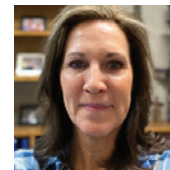
**Athena Captain, Member**  
Founder/ CEO of Athena Captain Coaching, lives in Oklahoma City.

■ Athena has successfully led sales teams for over twenty years, experience she uses to help others through her speaking and coaching business. Director of Sales and Business Partner at Turner & Son Homes. Her drive has led to her receiving the honor of Prosperity Bank's Women of the Year Finalist in 2014 and was named one of the Top 50 Women Making a Difference in 2020. Within the community, Athena is a Co-Founder of Savannah Station Therapeutic Riding Program, in honor of her daughter Savannah and is a board member of Oklahoma Family Network.



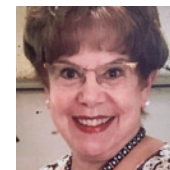
**Scott Hamilton, Member**  
Independent Contractor, lives in Yukon, OK

■ Scott is an Independent Contractor working in residential construction handling marketing, sales and estimating for fire and water loss claims. Scott previously owned an Insurance Agency in Bethany, OK for 17 years. Scott and his wife, Sonya have been married 39 years. They have four adult children and four grandkids. Scott enjoys painting, playing guitar and collecting Classic Rock vinyl records.



**Julie Huber, Member**  
Chief Financial Officer, El Reno Public Schools, lives in El Reno.

■ Julie has been in education 27 years. She oversees the district Federal Programs. She has been a member of the El Reno Wranglers for 25 years. She is married to Craig Huber and has two daughters; Catherine and Caroline. She enjoys spending time with her family and riding her horse.



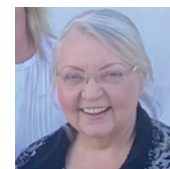
**Davidene Humphreys, Member**  
Retired, Writer, Speaker, Impact Lifestyle Ministries, lives in Oklahoma City

■ Davidene, the eldest of four children, grew up in California, Colorado and Oklahoma. She and her husband, Kent, met in high school and married in college. They have three children and eight grandchildren and one great grandchild. She and Kent were in business and ministry together until his death in 2013. They wrote 17 books and were presenters in 15 countries. Davidene loves nature, animals, walking, reading and traveling. But her greatest loves are God and family.



**Michelle Shaw, Member**  
Office Manager, Canadian County Water Authority, lives in Yukon, OK

■ Michelle has been active in business and community for many years, serving on the Patriot Project Fundraising Committee of Southwest Covenant School for nine years.



**Sandra Tyler, Member**  
Licensed Professional Counselor, Burke Haven Group, lives in Oklahoma City, OK





# A forever HOME for BEAUTY

Beauty is a black, quarter-horse mare rescued in 2008. She was not beautiful at the time, but her eyes held the promise of a better future. Today she is a well-loved therapy horse—beautiful inside and out! Her riders, especially the little girls, love her kind and gentle spirit. One rider claims “Bewty” is her twin sister because they both have dark hair. Beauty is a natural at tuning into her riders, knowing intuitively when to make them work a little harder to be her leader.

Allison rides Beauty each week and says, “Riding Beauty is the highlight of my week. Once our session has ended, I can’t wait until I can ride her again. Beauty is gentle and patient with me. I love her so much, and I laugh when she sneezes.”

The contentment and fulfillment seen in Beauty while she is working clearly communicates she knows this is exactly why she was made. It is a beautiful thing and thrills this mama’s soul.

ANDI HOLLAND,  
OWNER OF BEAUTY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



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## OUR STAFF AND LEADERSHIP



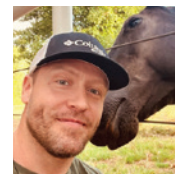
**Andi Holland**  
Executive Director | PATH Intl. Instructor  
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■ Andi has a Bachelor’s in Communication. She is a PATH Intl. Certified Instructor and became the Executive Director of Savannah Station in 2017. She brings 33 years of experience in non-profit management, helping guide Savannah Station through an exciting time of advancement. Andi feels privileged to lead an organization that utilizes the amazing gifts of the horse to impact the lives of all who come in contact with them.



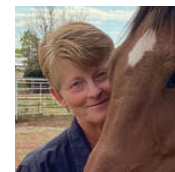
**Blu Phillips** | Program Manager | PATH Intl. Instructor

■ Blu has a Bachelors of Fine Arts in Graphic Design/Marketing. Blu started as a volunteer in the therapeutic riding world 13 years ago and became a PATH Intl. Certified Instructor in 2019. Blu says, “I fell in love with the mission of pairing a horse with a child who has special needs. If one day with a horse can make such a difference in a child then.... I AM IN.”



**Tyler Gamble** | Facilities Manager

■ Tyler is married to Brooke and father to three beautiful boys. Tyler is motivated by the desire to serve others and part of that included service in the U.S. Army. In 2011, he deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He says, “The mission here is incredibly special and I am truly humbled to be a part of it. The future is so bright for Savannah Station and there is no better time to be a part of it all.”



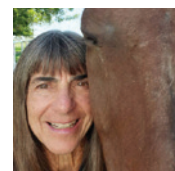
**Chris Watson** | Office Assistant

■ Chris was born and raised in Oklahoma. After working many years in the medical field in both Oklahoma and Colorado, she retired in Oklahoma. Chris heard about Savannah Station and became a volunteer in January of 2019. “Savannah Station is such an amazing place. I am humbled by the opportunity to be a part of it. I thank God everyday for Savannah Station and the wonderful people here.”



**Theresa Tyler** | PATH Intl. Instructor

■ Theresa has been involved in the horse world for more than 20 years. After attending God’s Bible School & College, she began working toward her ultimate dream of sharing the love of horses and using their special gifts to impact others. She joined Savannah Station in 2018 and became a PATH Intl. Certified Instructor in 2020.



**Patricia Stone** | PATH Intl. Instructor - I.T.

■ Patricia has been involved in Savannah Station since its inception in 2013, and has seen what this program can do to help others. She has a Bachelor of Science degree in Geology. Pat worked in a preschool and was a Texas Master Naturalist. Pat wants to become a certified instructor so she can be more involved in this amazing program. She is excited to see all that the Lord will do in the future!



# A forever HOME for LINDSEY

Galloping down the hall, Lindsey couldn't wait to tell her dad about horse class: "A HORSE!" "WHOA!" "WALK ON!" Lindsey had so much excitement, she could barely contain herself. Moments like this continue to encourage us to help Lindsey find her passion in life.

Lindsey was born with a rare genetic condition called Mowat-Wilson Syndrome. She has overcome numerous surgeries, countless hours of physical, occupational and speech therapy, seizures, sensory issues and GI issues just to name a few.

At Savannah Station, Lindsey has found a place to belong! The program and the horses provide immeasurable benefits. She has gained balance, self-confidence, independence and an immense passion and love for riding.

Therapeutic Riding brings a peace and a sense of security found in no other treatment. We are so grateful Lindsey now has a forever home at Savannah Station to continue to live out her dream.

JEFF AND KELLY SULLINS  
SAVANNAH STATION PARENTS,  
VOLUNTEERS AND BOARD MEMBER



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## A NOTE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Thank you for your interest in Savannah Station Therapeutic Riding Program and for taking the time to review this important information about our Forever Home campaign. We are grateful for your support.

Imagine a young organization like Savannah Station even daring to dream of owning an incredible horse facility like this, in the perfect location, that in one fell swoop sets the program up for life. It is nothing short of miraculous! This property allows Savannah Station to dream big, big dreams. Immense program expansion with multiple therapeutic riding classes all taking place at the same time in three different arenas! Reaching out to provide numerous school systems therapeutic riding services for their Special Education students. Looking to future equine-assisted program services for veterans and senior adults and even incorporating horses in occupational and physical therapy. The possibilities at Savannah Station are truly heart melting, mind blowing and endless!

From the beginning, Savannah Station has been God's program. He has opened countless doors, brought the right people with the right skills, resources and abilities together, and given each of us a passion to change the lives of those with special needs through one of His most amazing creations, the horse. We are in for the ride of our lives. Hope you will join us!

With excitement,

Andi Holland, Executive Director

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**CARROT CLUB  
LEGACY SPONSORSHIP**  
\$284,000

Pay Our Mortgage  
Note Opportunity

**CARROT CLUB  
DIAMOND**  
\$100,000+

THANK YOU! We were gifted \$200,000 from  
a Savannah Station Anonymous Supporter.

**CARROT CLUB  
PLATINUM**  
\$50,000+

**CARROT CLUB  
GOLD**  
\$25,000+

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\$10,000+

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\$5,000+

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COPPER**  
\$1,000+

**CARROT CLUB  
FRIENDS**  
\$1+

thank you

Thank you to each and every one of you for supporting us. We are excited about what is to come as we keep serving the community through the soul of a horse.



Our incredible team of horses

Thank you to our amazing Savannah Station family. You are the best!

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