

2021 Annual Report

2021 Board of Directors

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- Paul Nichols
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- Suzanne Prince
Community Volunteer
- Tiffany Ogle
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- Tim Hinson
Retired Executive

2021 STAR PROGRAMS

YEAR IN REVIEW

STAR shined bright as we delivered services to children and adults with physical, neurological and mental disabilities, youth and women considered at-risk, veterans with physical issues and/or PTSD and seniors with Alzheimer's or dementia. We accomplished this through our Changing STRIDES, Equine-assisted learning, Heroes & Horses, Mini's in Motion, Reflections, Stable Friends and Therapeutic Riding programs.

Our **377** volunteers provided a total of **13,844** hours of service with **38** equines, **18** staff to empower, **203** individuals from our community to be stronger in mind, body, and spirit. The Minis in Motion program engaged **1,222** people during their visits to memory care facilities and school programs.

Participant Primary Diagnosis	Autism	48
	Down Syndrome	13
	Cerebral Palsy	13
	Attention Deficit Disorder	12
	Developmental Delay	10
	Anxiety/Depression	4
	Intellectual Disability	3
	Seizure Disorder/Epilepsy	3
	Multiple Sclerosis	3
	Deaf/Visual Impairment	2
	Sensory Processing Disorder	2

PARTICIPANTS by COUNTY OF RESIDENCY

Knox.....	129
Loudon.....	63
Blount.....	24
Roane.....	14
Anderson.....	10
Sevier.....	3
Other*	2

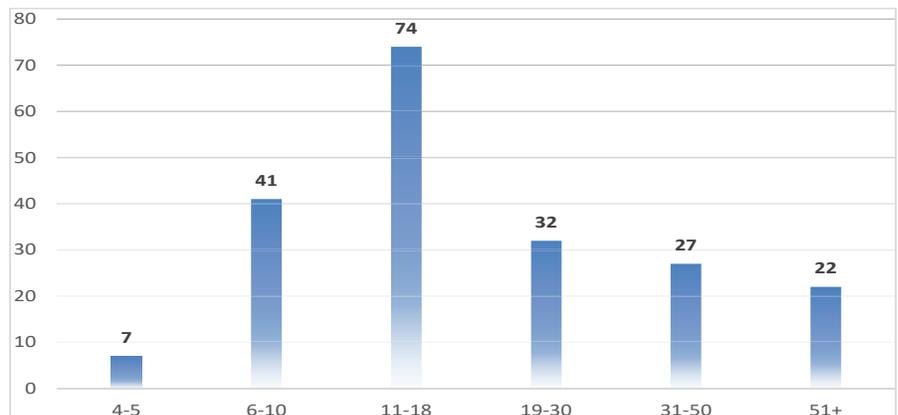
*McMinn, Monroe

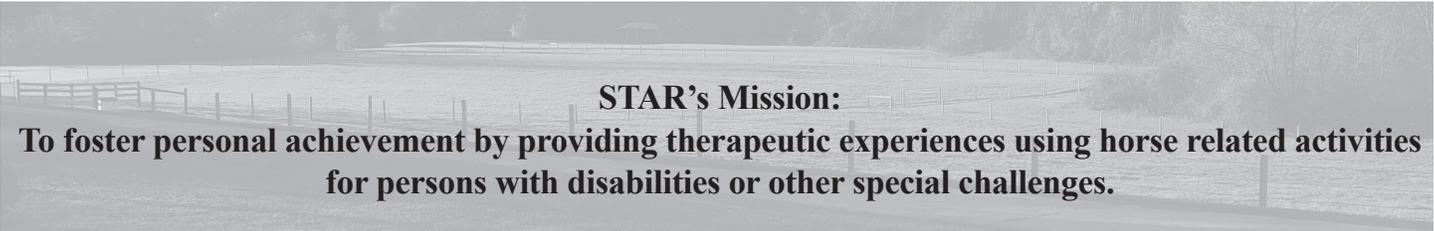


KEY STAFF MEMBERS

- Lynn Klimas Petr
Executive Director
- Shawn Snyder
Development Director
- Kristen Sanders
Director of Operations
- Brittany Ferrell
Program Director
- Chelsea Taylor
Director of Services

2021 Participants by age group





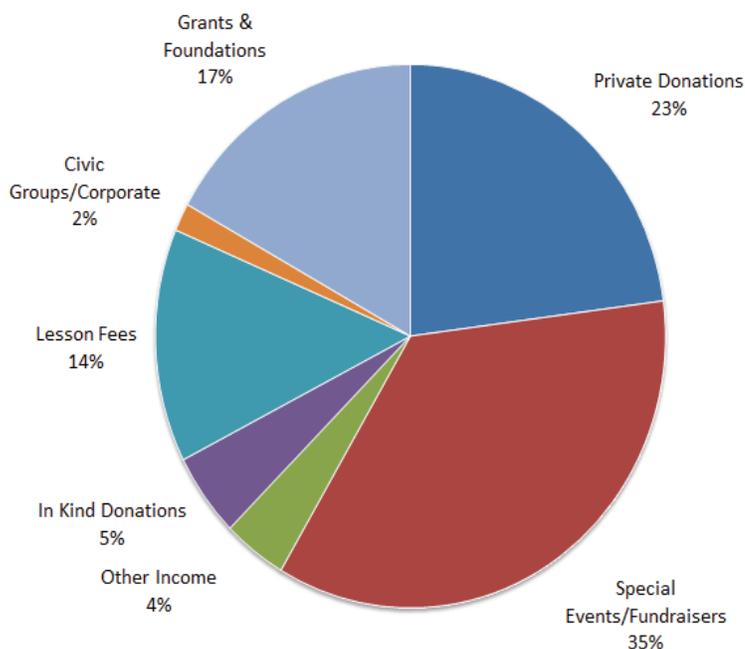
STAR's Mission:

To foster personal achievement by providing therapeutic experiences using horse related activities for persons with disabilities or other special challenges.

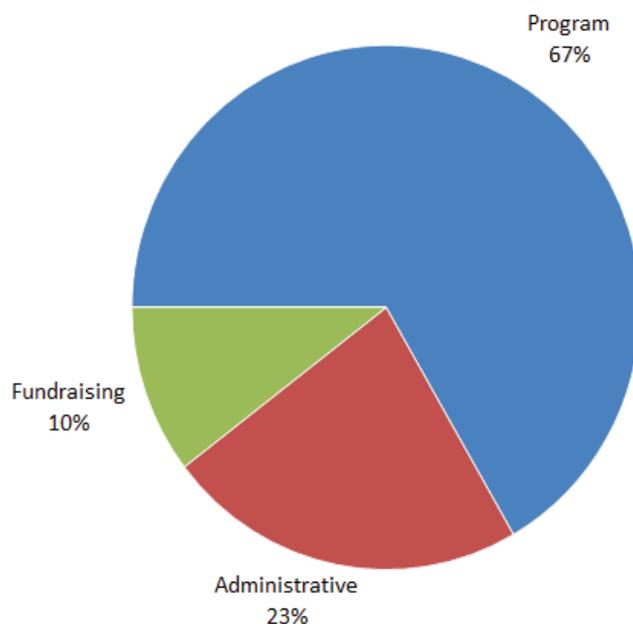
COVID Breeds Creativity

As COVID becomes a part of our daily lives, we discover new ways to protect our equine and human family members. We follow CDC guidelines and are embracing a new normal as we resume in-person classes and continue to provide excellent care for our horses. With our creative juices flowing, we collaborate and research new ways for our equine partners to enrich the lives of others.

2021 Sources of Operating Funds



2021 Operating Expenses



2021 HIGHLIGHTS

Held 44 workdays with outside groups who helped keep both facilities in order★Purchased two new gators with proceeds from a donor's gift ★Hired Megan Valle Borges in a new position as Program Coordinator★Started a new COVID response program Stable Friends in January which served 17 teenagers★Had some staff changes and maternity leaves that added pressure to still get the job done despite being short handed★Was able to hold our two largest events, Bridles & Blue Jeans and Songwriters in the Round, in person after being cancelled in 2020★Kicked off our Aligning STARs Capital Campaign with an event for donors in October at our South Knox location★Began installation of bird netting and spikes to prevent pigeons from roosting in areas of the facility★Blue Ridge Yoga held "Yoga with the Minis" event which was a fun fundraiser for STAR★Had 10 individuals attend Reflections which was the largest number since the program began in 2019★The Serving our Service (SOS) members group from Consolidated Nuclear Securities provided refreshments for our Heroes & Horses participants and volunteers each Friday as well as sponsoring the Minis visit to Ben Atchley Tennessee State Veterans' Home.

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