



2022 IMPACT REPORT



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MVHR MISSION

Mountain Valley Horse Rescue (MVHR)'s Mission is to rescue, rehabilitate, and rehome abused, neglected, abandoned, and unwanted equines. MVHR also works to reduce cases of equine abuse and neglect through community education and outreach.

MVHR VALUES

- Every equine is cared for, valued and respected as an individual.
- The welfare and needs of each equine are first and foremost.
- We offer lifetime consultation for adopters of our equines and we will always take back an equine who has been adopted from MVHR.
- Every person with whom MVHR interacts is respected and valued as an individual.
- We value our unique position to be able to teach to and connect people with equine welfare, care issues and skills.
- MVHR actively participates in and contributes to our broader communities.
- We support the Western ranching, farming, cultural and historical roots of our communities.
- The land in our care will be managed, with the intention of long term improvement and sustainability, by employing best practices to balance equine use with 1) wise use of resources, including water and soil; 2) respect and coexistence with wildlife; and 3) maintaining visual appeal.

Dear Fellow Horse Lovers and Advocates -

Looking out the window of the new office space in the Robin's Nest training facility, my heart is warmed by the summer camp children braiding ribbons into the manes of horses, our college interns leading previously uncatchable horses over obstacles, and our new caretaker walking a horse back to its corral after a bandage change. I say more and more often how busy we are here at the ranch, and each time it is more and more true. But also true is that with each of these busy moments comes a story that keeps MVHR inspired to continue our work on these long, busy days, focused on deepening the impact you make possible.

The Horses - The successful but discarded racehorse lowering his magnificent long neck to nuzzle a child's hand; the quivering shoulder of a never before touched horse stilling under its first gentle scratch; an injured and frightened new intake allowing doctoring of its wounds and learning to trust its caregivers as it recovers. These are the seemingly small but deeply significant moments that regularly remind us of the big impact you make possible in the lives of each of these horses and for our world overall, where more kindness, empathy, and compassion is always needed.

Our Community - The school children who ask to eat lunch next to the corrals, so they can get right back to scooping when they're done eating; the breathless child who relaxes into the saddle and lets a brilliant smile emerge; the senior citizen who lifts a hand from their walker to stroke a horse nose, conjuring memories of horses they have known throughout their lives. The generosity of our community, but also the generosity of the horses always gives us pause. The impact that you make in the lives of these horses gives them the opportunity to make an impact in the lives of people. It is a beautiful Journey of Hope for all, made possible by you.

The Ranch - Since we first set foot on the ranch, it has been a space of love, generosity, and kindness first shared with MVHR and the horses by its previous owners. This space was made possible, and now has been expanded and enhanced by a chain of generosity: family foundations helping fund the purchase of the property and now the capital improvements; service groups who have tackled big projects to allow MVHR to care for more horses; and individuals who have hammered a nail or harrowed a pasture to keep the ranch running day to day. Your impact has created and sustained this beautiful, peaceful place where the horses find space to make a Journey of Hope and where they share it with each individual from our community who visits along their own Journey.

This is all made possible by you, and your impact is amazing. Please share a moment with us to reflect on 2022 in the following pages. And then saddle up as the Journey continues in 2023, with the Robin's Nest facility now online, the intake and ICU barn undergoing renovations, and the MVHR staff evolving, all to better provide for the horses on their Journeys of Hope. We are so grateful to make these Journeys with you, who make it all possible, and look forward to continuing to share with you the impact you make for the horses, each and every day.

With deepest gratitude, and excitement for the Journey ahead,

Shana M Devins
Executive Director



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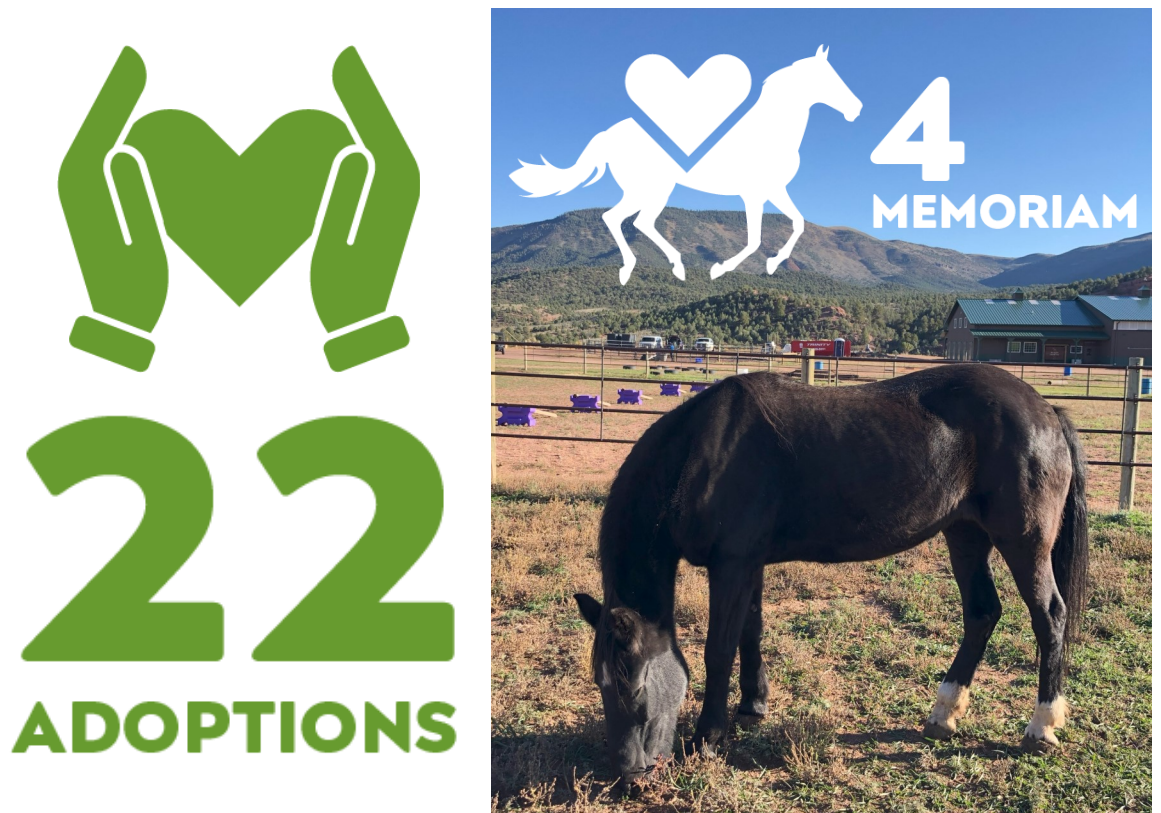
Mountain Valley Horse Rescue is located in McCoy, CO. MVHR is one of the only horse rescues on the western slope and our services are provided wherever a horse is in need. We rely on volunteers, foster homes, donations, and sponsorships to provide for the horses.

Horse rescues do not receive any federal funding, and it costs approximately \$6,000 per year for the basic care of one horse.

The horses at MVHR are loved and cared for throughout their lives, with a safe place to return any time it is needed, even after adoption. Their care is ongoing, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 52 weeks a year.

You can join us in providing this reliable daily, weekly, monthly, and yearly care by becoming a MVHR sponsor.

MVHR RESCUE HERD



MVHR COMMUNITY



 **1599**
VOLUNTEER
HOURS

 **\$31.9K**
VALUE OF COMMITTED
VOLUNTEER TIME

 **88**
MINI
HORSE
HEROES



 **342**
SUMMER
CAMPERS

 **825**
NUMBER OF KIDS
IN EQUINE
PROGRAMS



VOLUNTEERS THE HEART OF MVHR

Mountain Valley Horse Rescue could not exist without our amazing and dedicated volunteers.

Our goal is to provide each volunteer with an experience that connects you to our rescue horses and keeps you coming back. And best of all, no horse experience is needed!

MVHR provides introductory and ongoing training to help you develop horsemanship skills allowing you to spend time with the horses in a variety of roles based on your interests. We want your experience at MVHR to be meaningful and fulfilling. **Want to spend time with the horses? Sign up to volunteer!**

MVHR's Volunteer Program is generously sponsored by the Herota Family

LEAVE A LEGACY

All horses at MVHR have a safe place to return any time it is needed, even after adoption. Their care is ongoing, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 52 weeks a year.

Please join us in our ongoing effort to make this safe place and a safe future for horses possible. 100 years from now, you can still have an impact on the care of horses in need.

Create your legacy by making a planned gift to MVHR. Through a planned gift, you will be a part of making an everlasting difference in the lives of rescue equines long into the future.

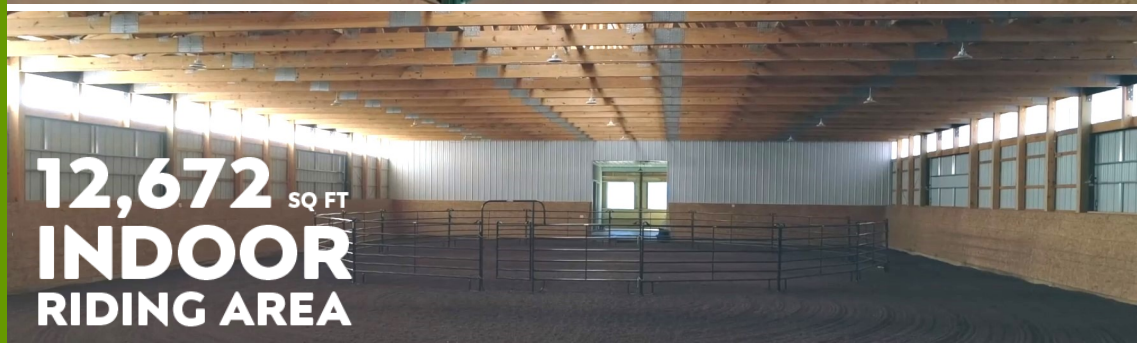
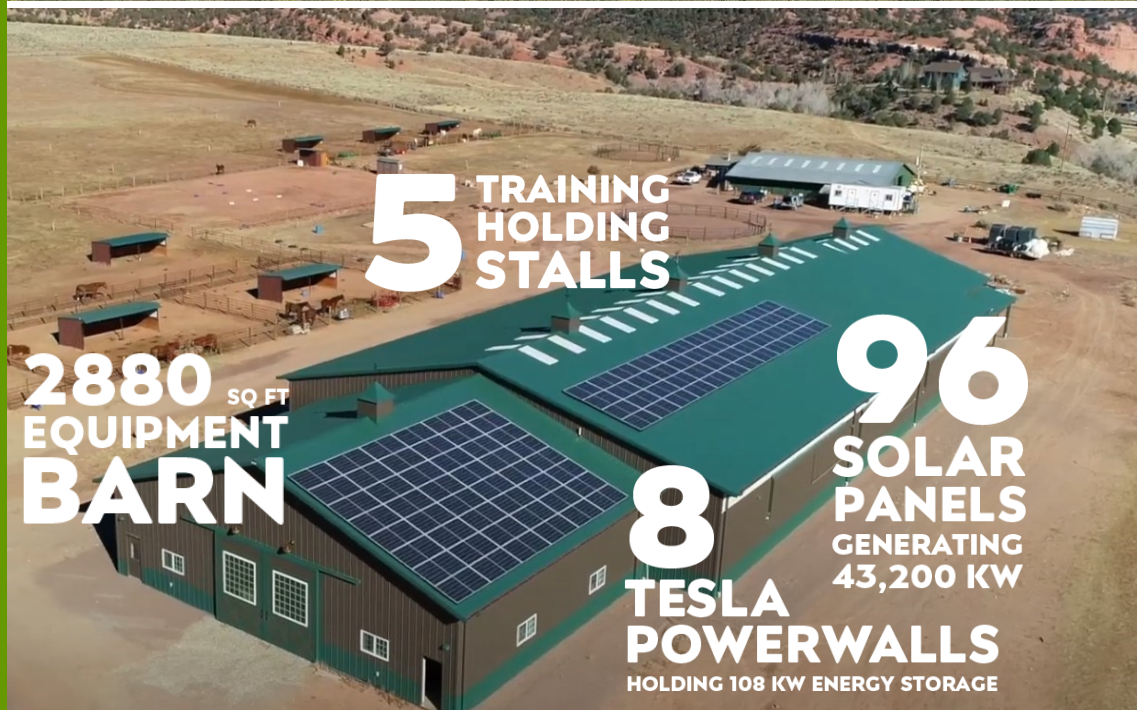
Lend your Hopeful Heart to Helping Horses by making a legacy gift to MVHR!

For more information, contact Marleen at marleen@mvhr.net

MVHR RANCH

2022 focused on the completion of Robin's Nest, the new sustainable training facility generously donated by the Rhea Bigelow Charitable Trust, a Legacy to Robin Rhea Bigelow. Since we moved into this barn in the Spring, it has made a tremendous impact for the horses that need our help. Providing year-round training will increase adoptions, allowing us to help more horses annually.

Save the Date ~ Grand Opening: September 23, 2023.



2022 FINANCIALS

INCOME	
Fundraising	\$343,071
Equine Care/ Programs	\$128,452
Facilities	\$29,362
Total Operating	\$500,885
Capital Campaign Contributions	\$465,221

EXPENSES	
Fundraising Support	\$84,839
Equine Care/ Programs	\$229,963
Facilities/ Administration	\$194,353
Total Operating	\$509,155
Capital Campaign Expense/ Loan Payments	\$816,807

MVHR has received several grants, which are reported within the Fundraising Income section above. Detailed financial reports and IRS form 990 are available at www.guidestar.org. Guidestar/Candid has awarded MVHR with the Platinum Seal of Transparency for financial reporting. Financial reports are also available through www.coloradogives.org or by contacting our Executive Director, Shana Devins.



THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS

The following list of donors is a compilation of those people and organizations who contributed to Mountain Valley Horse Rescue between January 1, 2022 and December 31, 2022. We have carefully reviewed this list for accuracy and consideration of those who wish to remain anonymous. If you find an error or omission, please accept our apologies and contact us at (970) 653-0185.

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