

# Perks Family Equine Center

## DONOR OPPORTUNITIES

An array of possibilities exists at the Perks Family Equine Center for donors interested in opportunities or philanthropic support. Donor opportunities provide a way for you to leave your legacy or make a tribute or memorial gift in honor of someone special. We invite you to consider the following opportunities available at Perks Family Equine Center.



### **Indoor Equine Center** – PERKS FAMILY FOUNDATION

The 35,272 square feet Indoor Equine Center allows for year-round programming and regulation of environmental factors such as temperature and sounds that significantly impact an individual's ability to participate in Equine Assisted Learning and Psychotherapy.

### **Horse Barn** – \$500,000

Home for the therapy horses. Equipped with the latest amenities, creating a comfortable and safe haven for our equine partners.

### **Main Indoor Arena** – THE BLAZER FOUNDATION

The indoor arena allows for year-round programming and regulation of environmental factors such as temperature and sounds that significantly impact an individual's ability to participate in Equine Assisted Learning and Psychotherapy.

### **Outdoor Programming Arena** – RICK & LANA ENGEN

Private outdoor round fenced arena connected to the new indoor riding arena to provide logistic continuity moving from indoor to outdoor environments as deemed necessary by providers/facilitators. Individual, family therapy and small group sessions will be the focus in this area.

### **Welcome Portico** – \$100,000

The outdoor space that serves as the gateway to the Perks Family Equine Center.

### **Wing of Horse Stalls** – \$100,000

Four horse stalls with accessible features will provide ample space for individuals to retrieve their horses and tack, and take part in other program activities occurring as part of the learning process.

### **Welcome Entry Drive** – SMITH CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

A half-circle entrance welcomes everyone to the center, allowing four-season drop-off.

### **Gathering Room** – BERGSTROM, INC. CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

Welcoming area of the facility where visitors will start their experience before entering the indoor arena. Parents or other observers will wait in this room during programming. There are windows in this space where observers will be able to see into the arena.

### **Break Room** – \$50,000

A comfortable and spacious break/lunch kitchen area where those working with and serving participants can comfortably recuperate, re-energize, eat, or relax before additional sessions begin. Includes refrigerator and locker storage.

### **Classrooms One & Two** – KIWANIS

This space supports learning activities and allows for multiple groups to rotate through the building simultaneously. The classroom provides a sequenced step to the introductory learning components. The classroom area will have windows for observation by support staff, counselors, and therapists.

## **Waiting Room – \$25,000**

A comfortable and welcoming space that provides respite and promotes positive experiences.

## **Breakout Indoor Arena – WILLIE D. & BETTY M. ELLIS**

Private indoor arena is directly adjacent to the large indoor arena. This breakout arena will provide continuity of the therapeutic process moving from a large space to a more intimate space with the horse. It provides a safe quiet space and processing area with the horse as an alternative to the traditional office environment which encourages youth to open themselves to conversation in a less intimidating and clinical space.

## **Program Room Area (off main arena) – NORTHWESTERN ILLINOIS BUILDING TRADES COUNCIL & ROCKFORD UNITED LABOR**

This area will have windows for viewing into the arena, and will be for activities that do not include horses.

## **Horse Stalls – \$25,000 each (3 remaining)**

### **WENDY & ROGER FISHER**

Four horse stalls with accessible features will provide ample space for individuals to retrieve their horses and tack, and take part in other program activities occurring as part of the learning process.

## **Open Office – \$20,000**

A shared environment fostering teamwork to achieve clients' goals.

## **Program Office – \$20,000**

Where cutting-edge equine programs and initiatives are developed, refined, and brought to life.

## **Therapy Horses – \$15,000 each (7 remaining)**

### **CHAD & SARA ANDERSON, MIKE & KIM GAFFNEY, KANEY FAMILY CHARITABLE FOUNDATION, JIM & PAM KEELING, DOUG & MARY PERKS, SUE THOMAS**

Specific horses selected for this program with physical soundness, gentle temperament, and the ability to tolerate a good amount of attention.

## **Program Grooming Area with Four Bays – \$10,000 each (1 remaining)**

### **BRENT & SHARON BRODESKI, MIKE & KIM GAFFNEY, GARY RABINE**

Accessible space with lighting/sound controls to alleviate unwanted sensory stimulation during learning activities.

## **Pipe and Rail Protective Fencing – \$8,000**

Beautifully-designed fencing connected to the Indoor Equine Center to create a safety barrier for participants and horses. Includes access gate for foot traffic to the park.

## **Counseling Rooms – SUSIE & BRENT BERNARDI, MIKE BROSKI**

Designated rooms with quick access from the arena where a counselor or therapist can meet with a participant or family to debrief or continue the session after facilitated activities with the horses. The room also serves as a calming space to regroup based on individual sensory or emotional safety needs.

## **Veterinary Prep Area – ELLARD FOUNDATION**

Designated space near the horse stalls where LEC and veterinary staff can record equine needs, medications, and feed program information. This will also provide a safe place to secure equine medications and any training tack not meant for youth programming.

## **Tack Room – JOHN & PAM LIGHTY**

Centrally located, accessible room to secure tack, horse accessories, and program equipment.

## **Vestibule/Information Desk – KANEY FAMILY CHARITABLE FOUNDATION**

Main welcome area for the center. All visitors will be greeted by staff immediately upon entering the center.

## **Wash Bay – WINNEBAGO COUNTY**

Heated wash area where our equine partners receive essential day-to-day care, which adds to their overall health and wellness.



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