

THE ROUND UP

A Message from our Founder



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Happy new year! 2015 was quite a year for Leaps & Bounds, we celebrated our 5 year anniversary, settled into our new, large clinic space, added 10 new staff members, and purchased a new ranch location! Over the next few years, we will be growing our therapeutic riding and PT/OT and ST services on the new ranch, and constructing our clinic building onsite, to complete the long time vision of housing all services in one location. This is literally a dream come true for me, and I am so happy to have you all on this journey with us.

Leaps & Bounds started as a very small and modest practice 5 years ago, when I just wasn't sure if there was truly the need in our community. In 2015, we provided over 10,000 therapy and therapeutic riding visits to more than 400 children, showing us that there is most definitely a need in our community. Wow. Friends of Leaps & Bounds, our 501c3 non-profit organization doubled our fundraising goal thanks to our amazing spring event, Saddle Up for Pediatric Therapy, our Fall Festival, individual and corporate giving, and the tireless efforts of our volunteers! Friends has helped support the #1 barrier to the highly-evidence based treatment strategy, hippotherapy, by covering 2/3 the true cost of each session. **We are the ONLY center in the state to accept insurance as reimbursement for this treatment technique, keeping costs low for all families we serve and providing assistance to the most needy.** It is truly an honor to serve families right here in my home town, and I am incredibly fortunate to have the most dedicated, knowledgeable, and specialized team of staff, volunteers, and supporters who help us realize our vision of providing specialized therapy services to all children in need! Thank you for being part of the Leaps family, cheers to helping special kids grow by leaps & bounds in 2016!

Thank you for your support,

Friends of Leaps & Bounds Mission

Friends of Leaps & Bounds Pediatric Therapy Inc, is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt non-profit corporation. It was founded by four members of the community who noticed a severe lack of access to specialty medically-necessary therapy services for children with disabilities in the Inland Empire.

Don't forget to "Like" us on Facebook and sign up on Amazon Smile & iGive to help support Leap's each time you shop!



Spotlight on Nancy Nelson, Volunteer

Nancy has been volunteering at Leaps since January 2015. She joined the team and hit the ground running by side walking along with horse handling. Nancy gives so much of her time to our special kiddos and always has a smile on her face. Nancy and her husband have lived down the street for years and always wondered what went on! We are so lucky to have Nancy and her amazing years of experience working with horses! Thank you so much Nancy! Do you know someone who would like to volunteer, please email Ashley at ALadd@LeapsPediatric.org to find out when the next Volunteer Orientation is.



Introducing the Leaps Ranch!

Leaps & Bounds is proud to announce that we have purchased our very own ranch. We have been so fortunate to those who have supported us in our large endeavor. The Leaps Ranch is a second location as we continue to grow and offer more therapy sessions.

The ranch is located is on 3.4 acres with a large lighted arena, 2 turnouts, hot walker, and 40 stalls. The entire ranch is covered in large shade trees that make most afternoons very cool and comfortable.



COMING SOON

Leap's Ranch Open House

We will be hosting an Open House to introduce the Leap's Ranch and some of the new four legged therapists too.

Details to come!

What is Therapeutic Riding?



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November Rider of the Month

Leaps & Bounds is proud to offer two different programs that use four legged therapists to help children grow. Therapeutic Riding uses equine-assisted activities for the purpose of contributing positively to cognitive, physical, emotional and social well-being of people with disabilities. At Leaps & Bounds we offer group and private lessons to children of all different skill levels and special needs. Our therapists frequently collaborate with the Therapeutic Riding instructor to ensure that the rider is receiving the best experience. If you are interested in learning more about Therapeutic Riding, please call our office at (951) 340-0431 or email our instructor Amanda: AJohnson@LeapsPediatric.org

Thank you

Beacon Hill Assembly of God



On Sunday, September 20th, 2015, Pastor Rene Parish and Beacon Hill Assembly of God presented Friends of Leaps & Bounds with a generous donation to help the special kiddos of Leaps! Board Members Dr. Jaimie Gilliam and Sharon Smith represented Friends of Leaps and spoke to the congregation about our mission and how much this gift means to us! We were able to offer several therapeutic riding full 1 year scholarships to children and families in need. Pastor Rene visited both the clinic and Smith Family Ranch and was able to observe a hippotherapy session. She was able to witness firsthand the passion of the therapists, volunteers, and staff along with the joy and growth of our special kiddos when riding a horse. We are so thankful to Beacon Hill Assembly of God and their generous gift! We look forward to working with Pastor Rene and her church in the future!

Featured Horse

We are so excited to introduce, Thor, Leaps & Bounds very first therapy horse. Thor has been working in our program since June 2010 when Dr. Cassandra Sanders-Holly first opened Leaps & Bounds. Thor is a Norwegian Fjord who is known for his strong frame and calm presence. He is favorite at the ranch because of his smooth ride along with his cool Mohawk!

Thor has a condition called “ring bone and side bone” that requires him to wear very special shoes to keep him comfortable. He is also has regular check up’s to ensure that he is pain free. Thank you to everyone who contributed to Thor’s Go Fund Me account. But we still have a little ways to go! If you are interested in donating to our amazing four legged friend, please visit us online at the ‘Featured Horse’ page.



Save the Date

June 4th, 2016

Saddle Up for
Pediatric Therapy



Thank you to our Donors & Supporters!

We cannot say “Thank You” enough! We are so fortunate to have such amazing individuals, businesses, and corporations supporting our mission and our kiddos. We simply could not do it without their help! In 2014 we had several amazing donations and we would like to thank those donors!

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As always we want to thank our “Legacy” Sponsor Brent, Sharon, and Cari Smith. Thank you for opening your beautiful home and making this dream come true!

Snapshots of our Fall Festival on October 17th, 2015!

