



*The* **SheaCenter**  
for Therapeutic Riding

## 2008 highlights

■ Served more than **525 children, teens, and adults** with over 72 different diagnosed disabilities through our hippotherapy and therapeutic sport riding programs.

■ Initiated a **pilot speech and language therapy program** and hired a part-time speech-language pathologist to provide speech hippotherapy services for our clients.

■ With a generous seed grant from the RichLynd Fund, we launched the **Heroes on Horseback** pilot program in collaboration with a team of six therapeutic riding center representatives to serve wounded soldiers from Balboa Naval Hospital's C5 Unit. This grant enabled us to implement this special pilot program at no charge to any of the service members.

■ Offered **three weeks of summer equestrian programs** at the Shea Center in 2008 for children of military families from Camp Pendleton thanks to the RichLynd Fund and the Weingart Foundation. One week in particular was a collaborative partnership held at The Shea Center for children with special needs in the CAMP FLASHH program out of the Armed Services YMCA at Pendleton.

■ **Collaborated with local organizations** including: Capistrano Unified School District's RH Dana Exceptional Needs Facility, Vocational Visions, New Vista School, and the MS Society.

■ Partnered with seven Southern California universities by offering **internships and other field experience opportunities** for students pursuing degrees and careers in physical therapy.



■ Celebrated the Shea Center's **30th anniversary** and three decades of improving the lives of children, teens, and adults with disabilities through our therapeutic horse-related programs.

[www.sheacenter.org](http://www.sheacenter.org)

# Our Mission in 2008

## Our Clients

The youngest client at The Shea Center is two years old. Our oldest client is 76 years old.

**TOTAL NUMBER OF CLIENTS SERVED IN 2008: 525**

**85%** of clients are under age 18

**15%** of clients are over age 18

**31%** of our clients have a physical disability

**49%** of our clients have a cognitive disability

**20%** of our clients have both a physical and a cognitive disability

**45%** of our clients are male; **55%** percent of our clients are female

### TOP 10 DIAGNOSES TREATED AT THE SHEA CENTER

A total of 72 different diagnoses were seen in 2008 with 75% of our clients falling into the following top 10:

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|---|--------------------------------|--|
| 1 Autism Spectrum/Aspergers Syndrome <b>26%</b> | 4 Down Syndrome <b>5%</b>      | 8 Epilepsy <b>2%</b>                                 |
| 2 Cerebral palsy <b>21%</b>                     | 5 Mental retardation <b>4%</b> | 9 TBI (traumatic brain injury) <b>2%</b>             |
| 3 Developmental delay <b>8%</b>                 | 6 Multiple sclerosis <b>3%</b> | 10 Speech delay/sensory integration issues <b>2%</b> |
|   | 7 Rett Syndrome <b>2%</b>      |  |

## Our Volunteers & Staff

■ Number yearly volunteers: **450 with over 15,000 hours** of service, including lessons and events

■ Number of volunteers per session or week: **200 on average**

■ 52% of our volunteers are **under age 18**

■ 48% are **age 19 and over**

■ 87% of our volunteers are **female**

■ 13% of our volunteers are **male**

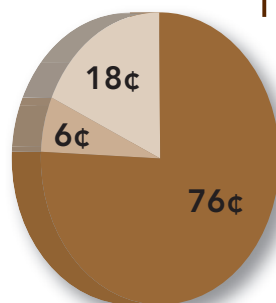
■ 13 **full-time** staff

■ 12 **part-time** staff

■ 24 **horses in service** to our clients



## For every dollar donated to The Shea Center in 2008:



■ **76¢** was spent on programs for our 525 clients

■ **6¢** was spent on management and general operating expenses

■ **18¢** was spent on fundraising for the Center

2008 audited financial statements available on our website at [www.sheacenter.org](http://www.sheacenter.org)



# Your Support in 2008

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THE J.F. SHEA THERAPEUTIC RIDING CENTER IS DEDICATED TO IMPROVING THE LIVES OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES THROUGH THERAPEUTIC HORSE-RELATED PROGRAMS.

In 2008, 733 donors supported the Shea Center. We appreciate every donor who supports our mission and recognize the following donors who gave \$5,000 or more to the Shea Center during 2008:

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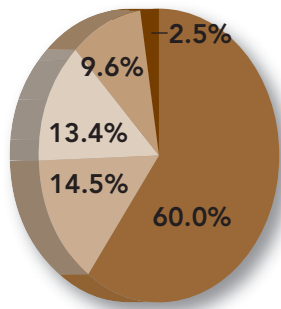
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The Shea Center relies on charitable gifts, foundation grants, and event sponsorships from our many generous friends in the community to support our therapeutic riding programs and to ensure that our services are as accessible and affordable as possible.

*Thank you to our generous donors who provided more than 84% of our operating revenue in 2008:*

- 60.0% EVENTS
- 14.5% GRANTS/DONATIONS
- 13.4% PROGRAM FEES
- 9.6% DRIVE TO RIDE FUND
- 2.5% OTHER