



## HOW YOU CAN HELP:

**\$443,000**

**PROJECT  
TOTAL**

**\$373,000  
RAISED**

**\$70,000!  
Capstone**

## Make a CAPSTONE GIFT!

Cupolas for Fresh Air	2	\$2500 ea
Pillars of Support	7 of 10	\$1500 ea
Corner Post Supporters (5)		\$500 ea
On the Rail Supporters (14)		\$150 ea

### Because there should be **NO LIMIT** on **FUTURES!**

Construction is underway on an enclosed arena where Turning Point Riders can ride no matter the weather. A Capstone of **naming opportunities** means friends and families can pledge support for as little as \$10 a month over the next 18 months to finish the Arena. Many options are already named, but some remaining options are shown on the right. Read all about the Arena and Capstone online at: <http://turningpointriding.org/Capstone>

## New Riders Meet Challenges

The demand for Turning Point classes has nearly **doubled** this Fall! Parents say their children with challenges need the consistency and the calm horses offer amid the adjustments Covid caused.

The Stillwater schools are sending elementary special education students to Turning Point for the first time and four new evening sessions have been added to address the waiting list.

Younger riders like **Lily Belle** (top) enjoy games like reining to grab puzzle pieces to reinforce riding skills and keep focused. While returning independent riders like **Reece** (bottom) are challenged by OSU students like **Bayleigh**, who gets academic credit in **Dr. Jennifer Jones Developmental Disabilities** class. Bayleigh is given Reece's goal for the session. She interacts with him to build social skills and then reports on his progress in a session debrief. Each semester, session goals promote independence and skills.

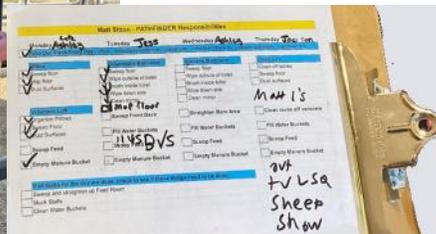


## Pathfinders Transition in Progress



Making sure every horse has a full bucket of fresh water is just one of the things on **Matt Sitton's** checklist. He works at Turning Point four days a week in the Pathfinders Transition program through Stillwater High School.

When he scoops feed according to the specific schedule for each horse, he's also working on math skills and fractions. His checklist is part of time management and setting priorities. Matt works with the new Facility Coordinator and OSU Interns to build a To Do list. They say he notices details and gets things done that aren't on his list. For instance, when cleaning stalls, he noticed the arena needed to be cleaned too, and so he did!



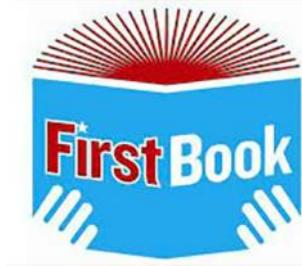
Matt Sitton is building a resume and job skills as a Turning Point Intern.

## BB is Back at the Boone!!

Bullet's mini me, **Baxter**, was the star of a special pre-game video showcasing his "day job" as a therapy horse. Baxter works on the HorseTales Literacy program and at **Wings of Hope** with families in trauma. He also helps seniors facing dementia. You can watch the video about the importance of mental health on the **Turning Point Facebook** page if you missed it at the game.



## Pi Phi Partnership: First Book Grant!



Literacy is major focus of the OSU Chapter of Pi Beta Phi. Several Pi Phi's volunteered at Turning Point's annual HorseTales Field day. So they nominated Turning Point for a \$1000 grant to buy even more books and together we won!!!

## Do YOU Have the Next Indy or Isaiah?

All the new riders means Turning Point needs more horses! Indy is the latest trial horse who was a cow horse and a trail horse in his last job. A good therapy horse is very sound, between 10 and 16 years old, well trained and usually very smart and curious. If you would like to donate or loan a horse to Turning Point for several years, email Rachel to for more information.

[rachel@turningpointriding.org](mailto:rachel@turningpointriding.org)



Great therapy horses come in all shapes and sizes but ALL have great emotional intelligence and like people.



### Mission:

Turning Point partners the magic of horses with tools to help people facing physical, mental, emotional or socio-economic challenges to build successful futures.

### Vision:

We believe individuals with challenges in any stage of life can build and sustain rewarding futures that contribute to our community.

### Values:

- Empowerment
- Belonging
- Future Focused
- Servant Leadership
- Equine Partners

## Waits Family Foundation Grant Funds Turning Point Strategic Plan

### Programs and Services

**Goal:** Provide high quality programs and services which support the needs of our community through the unique mission of Turning Point Ranch.

- Fully implement Stable Moments program by 2023
- Increase the number of schools served by 2 by 2024.
- Expand mobile-mini program to three additional clients by 2023

### Facilities

**Goal:** Continued enhancement and maintenance of facilities and equipment to support a PATH Premier Accredited Center serving our community at the highest industry standard.

- Complete the construction of the enclosed arena project by 2022
- Develop a funding plan for the acquisition of a truck.
- Develop a comprehensive plan for the acquisition, maintenance and retirement of all major equipment necessary for operations.

### Financial

**Goal:** Secure a strong and sustainable financial position for Turning Point Ranch through responsible fiscal stewardship, fundraising, grant sourcing and partnerships.

- Grow annual operating budget year over year.
- Establish \$100,000 endowment by 2026.
- Diversify funding through a sustainable grant writing program.

### Community Outreach and Awareness

**Goal:** Increase Turning Point Ranch exposure to maximize resources and meet expanding community needs.

- Increase public awareness of programs and services through community engagement and events.
- Implement and manage a comprehensive communication plan including social media, website and general media coverage.
- Foster productive external partnerships for support of programs and services.

### Staffing, Volunteers and Operations

**Goal:** Grow infrastructure, as well as, human and equine capital to support expanded programs and initiatives.

- Maintain status as a PATH Premier accredited therapeutic riding center.
- Ensure a steady pipeline of quality horses to support expansion of programs.
- Attract, develop and retain PATH certified instructors to maintain five at all times.
- Recruit, train and engage qualified volunteers to support the overall operation
- Expand staff to support ongoing growth in programming and facilities.

## RIDIN' SHOTGUN

2021 CLAY SHOOT for



## Early Sponsors:

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**Saturday, Oct 16**  
**Payne County Fairgrounds**

Course Design by:  
**LINDEN TARGET SPORTS**

Have a Blast and help Turning Point Ranch

Register a team at: <http://turningpointriding.org/Clayshoot> or call Vicki : 405-762-6206