

June 2017 Training and Education Update: T & E Offering Results for FY 2016-17:

During early summer of 2016 we reviewed the profitability of each of our training and education workshops and events. We assessed all based on mission, strategic focus, demand and resources required (staff, volunteer, equine) and based on results of our findings, adjusted some of these offerings. These adjustments included offering some events every other year, or 'on demand' based on industry need.

The number of individuals attending training and education opportunities at High Hopes throughout this past fiscal year totaled 178.

- 2 OSWC (PATH Intl On Site Workshop and Certification)
 - 37 total number of candidates in attendance
 - 24 of 37 pursued certification
- 2 ESMHL (PATH Intl Equine Specialist in Mental Health and Learning)
 - 35 total number of candidates in attendance
 - All 35 pursued skills testing component
- ATC (PATH Intl Approved Instructor Training Course); 2 10-12 week courses offered
 - 9 candidates attended (Israel, Denmark, California, CT)
 - 8 of 9 achieved certification. One candidate pending.
- Additional 'Certification 'On Demand' opportunities provided
 - 4 PATH Registered level certification
 - 1 PATH Advanced level certification
- Offered newly developed workshop in April 2017 – 'Beyond ESMHL' to provide further educational opportunity for PATH ESMHL candidates.
 - 18 candidates attended
- High Hopes provided consulting services to 3 individuals/centers in the industry
- Other High Hopes workshops offered served an additional 71 individuals throughout the year

Other Business:

- Interest for PATH Intl Approved Instructor Training Course scheduled to begin in August 2017 has been strong, with 3 candidates (NV, NJ, CT) receiving early decisions. In addition to further interest from individuals in the US we have had additional inquiries from candidates in Israel, Singapore and Tanzania. Interest is for both the August 2017 and January 2018 courses.
- Will be adding a 'Behavior Management' Workshop to our list of High Hopes educational workshops for PATH Instructors in this coming fiscal year.
- Johnson & Wales University in Providence is moving forward with plans to offer a 'Specialization in Equine Assisted Activities and Therapies' with an anticipated offer date to begin the fall of 2018. The university has hired an individual to head up this program and teach the PATH Instructor Training Curriculum. She will be completing the PATH Intl Approved Training Course here at High Hopes during the August 2017 and January 2018 courses (flexibility offered to accommodate her teaching schedule at the university). High Hopes is again in discussions with JWU to provide the hands on learning and teaching components required for instructor certification for those students who decide to pursue PATH Intl. certification after completion of the specialization. We will be developing a MOU with JWU by summer of 2018.
- Equus Effect – facilitator training for individuals with an interest in working with Veteran's will again be offered at High Hopes in January 2018.