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PATH Intl. Disaster Relief Fund Helps to Stem the Tide of Flood Damages

Denver—We have all seen the pictures and watched the videos on the nightly news of the flooding taking place in Texas, Oklahoma, Colorado, Nebraska and Kansas. Many places are reporting the wettest May on record. The costs in property damages and crop loss are overwhelming while the loss of human and animal life is heartbreaking. While we watch the news and wonder what we can do, many organizations take in money to help those affected.

The PATH Intl. Disaster Relief Fund was created to help centers affected by such disasters. The purpose of the fund is to assist PATH Intl. Member Centers with an immediate need in funding expenses not normally covered by operating insurance after natural or man-made catastrophic disasters.

While it is still too early to tell how much damage the heavy rains and flooding have done to PATH Intl. Centers, it is never too early to help. Your donations to the PATH Intl. Disaster Relief Fund will help centers rebuild. Visit www.pathintl.org and click the Donate Now button at the top of the page. Questions? Email [Cher Smith](mailto:Cher.Smith@pathintl.org). Thank you for your generosity.

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About PATH Intl.:

The Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International® (PATH Intl.®) was formed in 1969 to promote safety and optimal outcomes in equine-assisted activities and therapies (EAAT) for individuals with special needs. At 852 member centers, more than 58,000 children and adults may find improved health, wellness and a sense of pride and independence through involvement with horses. Therapeutic horsemanship at member centers may include hippotherapy, equine-facilitated mental health, driving, interactive vaulting, trail riding, competition, ground work and stable management. Through a wide variety of educational resources, the association helps individuals start and maintain successful EAAT programs. There are nearly 53,000 volunteers, 4,544 instructors, 7,733 equines and thousands of contributors from all over the world helping people at PATH Intl. Member Centers.