

GREEN ACRES INTERACTIVE THERAPY



Green Acres Ranch has always been about children and animals, particularly horses. Founded in 1957 by Dr. Harold West, a pediatrician from Whittier, CA, it was an ideal place to raise his children and a herd of beautiful Arabian horses. The ranch encompasses 50 pristine acres in the picturesque Valley de los Caballos (Valley of the horses) in Temecula, CA.

Green Acres continues as a family-run operation under the guidance of owner Margaret Rich and her two children, Katherine and Roy.

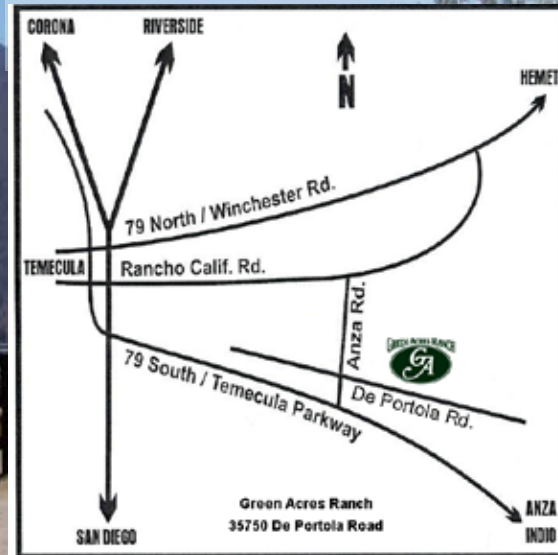
Every person, no matter what the challenge, can benefit from contact and communication with animals.

We provide a safe, tranquil environment for children to experience and enjoy.



PROGRAM BENEFITS

- Emotional
- Sensory
- Living Skills
- Knowledge
- Physical Control
- Social Interaction



Providing a positive physical, emotional, social and sensory experience



AFFILIATIONS & CERTIFICATIONS

Visit our website at www.greenacresranchinc.com/gait for affiliations, certifications, staffing, prices, and schedules.

STAFF PROVIDES

Consultation with a Physical Therapist, Occupational Therapist, Speech Therapist, Adapted Physical Education Instructor, and Therapeutic Riding Instructor. NARHA Certified.

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A place where children can express themselves and their feelings through interaction with animals.

PROGRAM 1

HANDS ON WITH SMALL ANIMALS

Ducks, Chickens, Exotic Birds, Goats, Dogs and Cats



Children can experience the sight, sound and feel of farm animals through hands-on interaction.



They can learn the responsibility of caring for a dependent creature.

PROGRAM 2

HANDS ON WITH LARGE ANIMALS

Horses, Cattle, and Llamas

Children will be exposed to caring for horses including grooming, leading, feeding and bathing.



Children have the opportunity to learn about the care and feeding of other large animals such as cattle and llamas through direct contact.



PROGRAM 3

THERAPEUTIC RIDING

Horses

Therapeutic Riding offers people with special needs untold benefits. It is a unique program that strives to improve muscle strength, flexibility and range of motion. The rhythmic motion and body contact of the horse encourages relaxation, improved circulation and respiration. The rider's interaction with the horse encourages concentration and stimulates the brain as well as improving balance, coordination and spatial orientation.



The emotional connection unites the mind, body and spirit of both rider and horse.