



Dear Potential Sponsor:

Refuge Services of Lubbock, Texas provides equine therapy services to children and adults with special needs and disabilities, at-risk youth, and veterans on a weekly basis. The mission of Refuge Services is to provide a therapeutic setting for physical therapists, occupational therapists, speech-language therapists, or licensed mental health professionals to come together to incorporate horses into their treatment plan.

Refuge Services Inc. is a public, non-profit organization established in 1999 to provide services to the whole person: body, mind and spirit. Refuge Services Inc. provides Hippo-therapy (**H**), Therapeutic-riding (**TR**) and Equine Assisted Psychotherapy (**EAP**) to approximately 160 clients and their families per week.

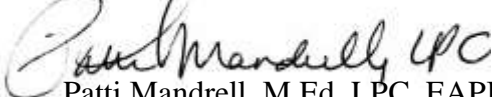
On March 30, 2019, Refuge Services will host a 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration and will host our 10<sup>th</sup> Annual “**Boots and Buckles**” Benefit at the Lubbock Civic Center. In 2018, we raised approximately \$61,000 with about 300 in attendance. Being met with much enthusiasm, we have a monumental and historic event scheduled for 2019. Our fundraising goal for 2019 is \$1,000,000! This is an important event! Many children, veterans, and families depend on our services. Being a non-profit organization, donations are tax deductible. Refuge is looking for corporations that want to partner with us to help raise the funds for handicapped children to experience the freedom and joy of walking for the first time with the help of their horse friend. Donations also help veterans transitioning back into civilian life. Here is a testimonial from one of our veterans...

*“For someone in the military like me, it is hard to swallow my pride and say I need help. This was a safe environment to open up and talk. Sometimes the horses talked for me and helped show me the path to help my marriage.”*

Attached is a sponsorship form that explains partnership opportunities more extensively. This is also an advertising opportunity. This event will be advertised via social media, television, internet, radio, paper, and posters in public locations. We anticipate a full house at 700 to be in attendance. Steak dinner by Top Tier Catering and live music by Templeton Thompson of Nashville! We will have a live and silent auction as well. We guarantee a memorable evening!

For more information about our services check out our website at [www.refugeservices.org](http://www.refugeservices.org) and email me or call me at (806)790-6664 to discuss this possibility further. Thank you so much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

  
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