



Rainbow
Acres

Annual Report

2025



LIVES WITH PURPOSE, SUPPORTED BY COMMUNITY

ABOUT RAINBOW ACRES



Mission

Rainbow Acres, a Christian Community with heart, empowers persons with developmental disabilities to live to their fullest potential with dignity and purpose.

Vision

Rainbow Acres strives to be a model Christian community rooted in unconditional love, excellence in care, and lifelong programs and services for persons with developmental disabilities, their families, and individuals with critical needs—while maintaining a strong and sustainable financial foundation.

From Our President

Last year was full of transitions. We bid farewell to eleven Ranchers, most because we could no longer meet their medical care needs. We said “Well done!” to two retiring senior leaders. We strengthened our educational team, promoted several staff, and welcomed new talent. Three new horses arrived, marking the return of horseback riding.

Most importantly, we gained ELEVEN new Ranchers, more than in any year I can recall. That’s eleven more families we now serve. Eleven more Ranchers who have come to grow and thrive, discovering and living out their life purposes. Their joy, questions, experiences, and expectations push us to do even better for all 79 Ranchers.

At lunch a few days ago, I paused to look out over the dining room. I saw a pair of new Ranchers engaged in vigorous, happy conversation. I saw new Ranchers surrounded by long-time Ranchers, fully-engaged and integrated into the life of the Ranch. And I saw a reserved newcomer actually crack a smile talking with one of our more “ornery” veteran Ranchers.

As I think of that moment, I am grateful for you. You made that moment happen. Your support makes possible the many moments when Ranchers’ lives are changed and supported in varied ways.

Thank you for being part of God’s work here, as this community supports every Rancher to live out their own life of purpose.

With Gratitude,



PAUL HIGGINS
President & CEO



A Word From Our Chair

As I reflect on 2025, I pause with gratitude for how far Rainbow Acres has come and for the countless lives shaped by this ministry. From humble beginnings—when early Ranchers wrote home about stars visible through fragile trailer roofs—Rainbow Acres has grown through each season with a steadfast commitment to love, care, and community.

This year marked a turning point. Amid transition, the Board and senior leadership focused intentionally on sustainability—strengthening our facilities, supporting staff, and ensuring a stable future for the Ranchers we serve. The steady leadership of CEO Paul Higgins has brought clarity and direction as Rainbow Acres enters its next chapter.

Stewardship through thoughtful planning is a sacred responsibility. We are honored to safeguard not only Rainbow Acres' legacy but its future potential for transformation. Thank you for standing with us in 2025—a year marked by renewed promise, faithful leadership, and shared hope for what lies ahead.



KARLA DYE

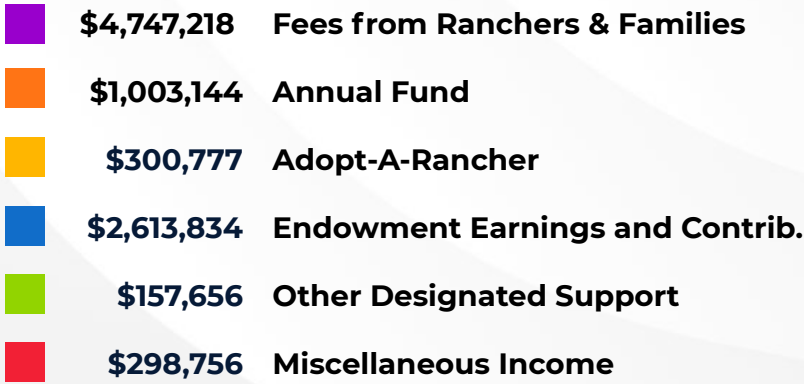
Board of Trustees, Chair



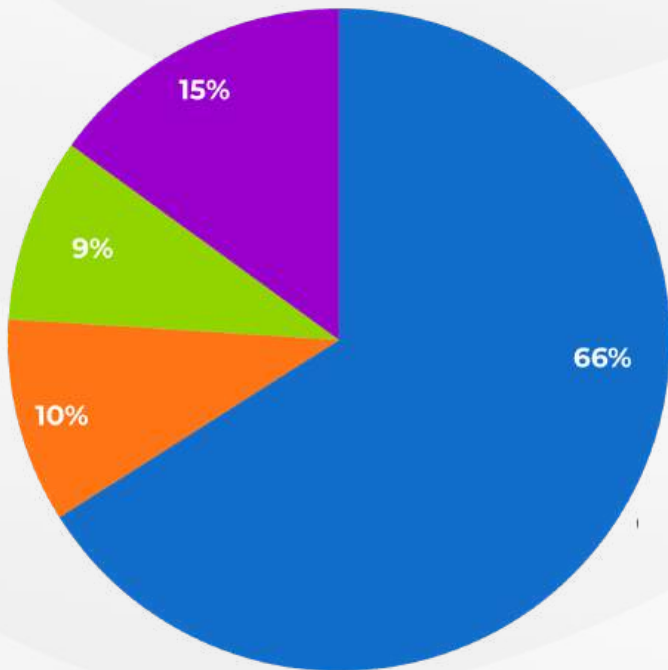
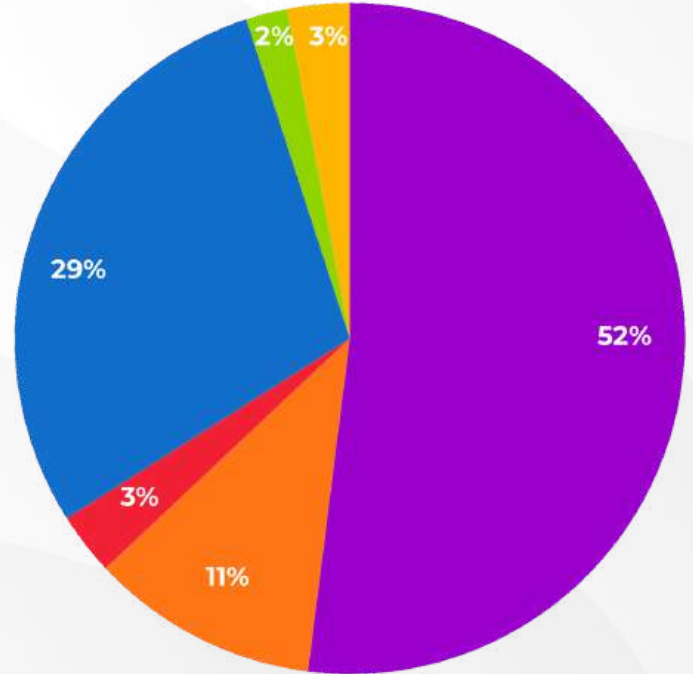
Finance

Where Stewardship Meets Mission

2025 Income



\$8,589,413



2025 Expenses



\$7,787,365

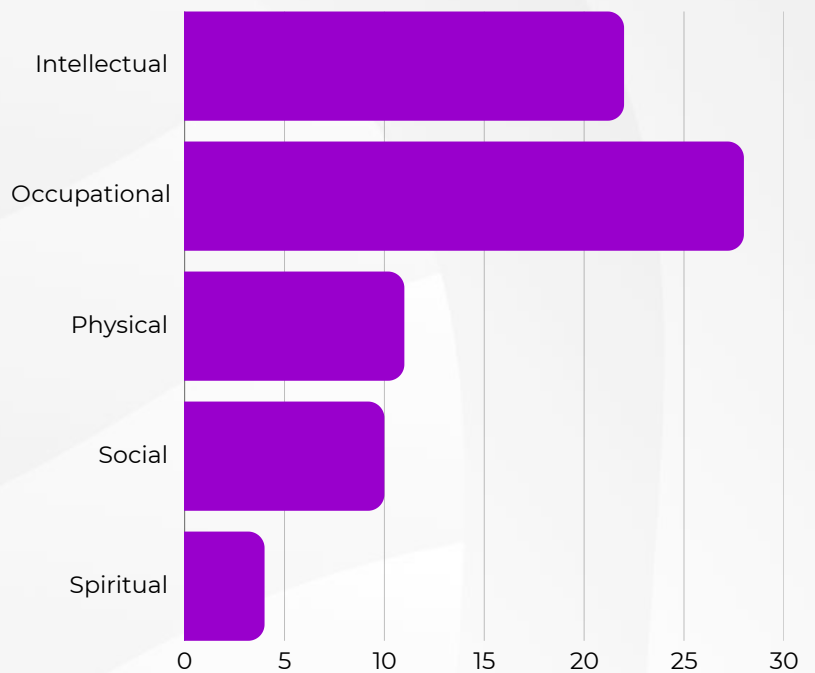
Thank you for being part of our community that surrounds and sustains Rainbow Acres. Through shared commitment, partnership, and compassion, we continue building a place where empowerment, dignity, and purpose flourish. Together, we ensure that every Rancher is supported, valued, and connected.

Rainbow Programs

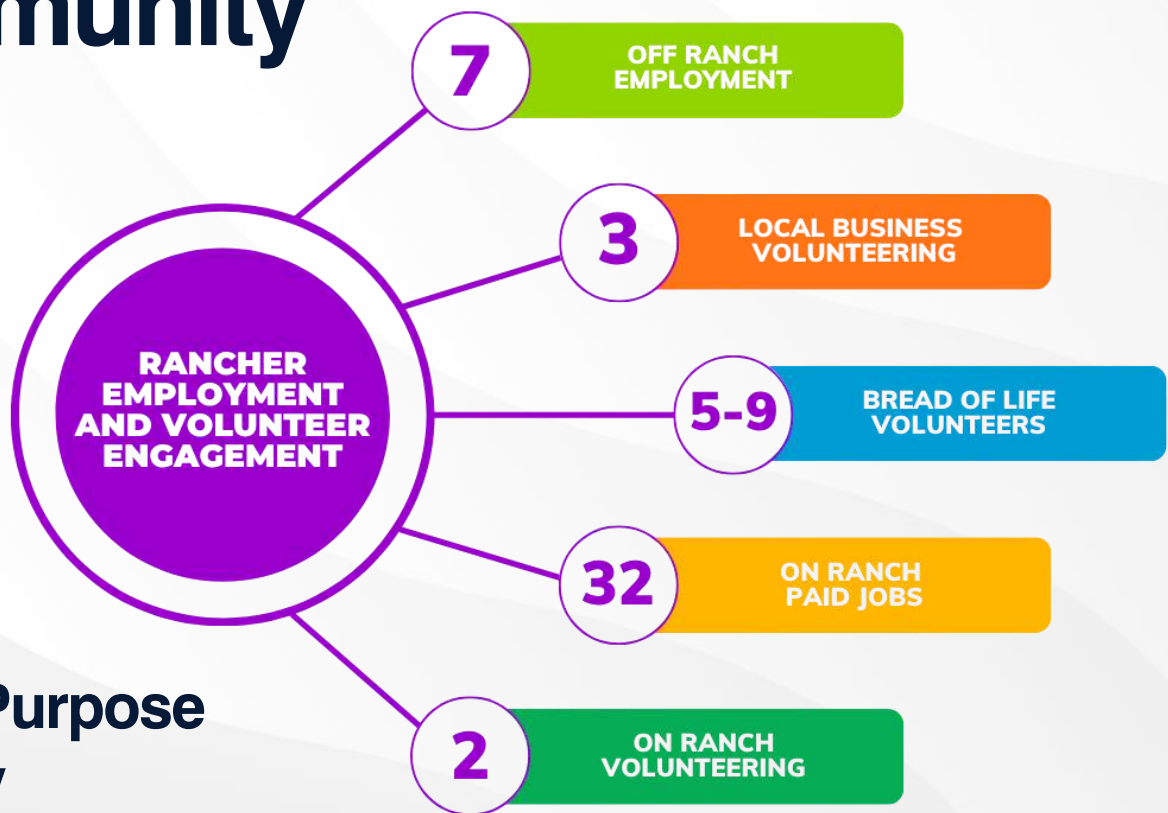


Opportunities for Growth in Every Area of Life

- **Intellectual classes** that promote learning and life skills
- **Occupational classes** that build job readiness and creativity
- **Physical classes** that encourage health and activity
- **Social classes** that foster friendships and connection
- **Spiritual classes** that support faith and personal growth



Strengthened by Community



Finding Purpose Everyday

At Rainbow Acres, purpose grows through meaningful work, growing independence, and deep community connections. Ranchers build confidence through on-ranch jobs, off-site employment, volunteer service, and shared community experiences. Each Rancher affirms their ability to contribute to and belong within our community. Supported by staff, neighbors, and partners throughout the Verde Valley, every step forward reflects the power of community in helping individuals live full, purpose-driven lives.



Companion Animal Therapy



Joel Eliot joined Rainbow Acres in September 2025 as the Animal Science and Horsemanship Educator, helping relaunch the horseback riding program alongside his wife, Deeana. The program has been well received, with several Ranchers participating in weekly horsemanship and animal science classes, as well as regular riding sessions.

In addition to the horses, Ranchers engage daily with other animals, including miniature burros and goats, fostering meaningful connections and hands-on learning experiences. Many also assist with barn responsibilities, building valuable skills and a sense of purpose.

The program was proudly featured during Friends and Family Weekend with a riding demonstration, and continued improvements to the barn and arena are underway to enhance safety and expand opportunities for Rancher involvement.

Healthy Lives, Purposeful Futures



In 2025, the Health & Wellness team managed more than **350,000** medication check-ins, supporting **83** Ranchers with personalized care and daily wellness routines, including approximately **919** scheduled medications each day. With on-site primary care serving nearly **70** Ranchers, access to three local counselors, no-cost Northern Arizona University speech services, psychiatric support through Spectrum Healthcare, and a specialized pharmacy partner focused on developmental disabilities, Ranchers benefit from a deeply integrated system of care.

Together, these partnerships ensure that health, independence, and emotional well-being are supported—empowering each individual to live a healthy life rooted in purpose and strengthened by community.

Building a Sustainable Future Together



We made strong progress in facilities, sustainability, and community engagement this year. The solar project reached **90%** completion, generating an average **30%** energy savings, while housing improvements included completion of the Hoover remodel and the start of renovations at Koinania. Greenhouse restoration, 15 new raised planter boxes, reduced propane usage, and ongoing water-conservation efforts further strengthened environmental stewardship.



Community support was essential to this progress. Seasonal SOWER volunteers contributed **2,040 hours** of maintenance and construction work, while church mission groups provided **11,504 volunteer hours** supporting Ranchers and campus operations. In addition, two Ranchers actively served on the maintenance team—reinforcing purposeful work made possible through a strong, supportive community.



Dan & Linda Lunt, faithful volunteers for over 14 yrs.

Grateful for our Community

As we reflect on this past year, we are deeply grateful for the unwavering support of our Rainbow Acres community. Because of you, individuals are not only cared for but truly empowered to live with purpose, dignity, and belonging. Your generosity creates a place where meaningful connections flourish and every person is valued. Together, we are more than a community—we are a home where lives are enriched and purpose is celebrated each day. Thank you for making this mission possible.

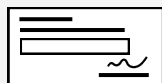


We are deeply grateful to Carriage Manor for over 20 years of faithful support through your Angel Tree program. Your continued commitment has brought joy, dignity, and a sense of being truly known to each Rancher at Rainbow. Year after year, your generosity ensures that every individual is remembered and celebrated in a meaningful way.

Thank you for being such a special part of our community and for making the holidays brighter for every Rancher. Your kindness has made a lasting impact that we cherish more than words can express.

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