

2020

ANNUAL REPORT



NYTHA - OUR MISSION

For over half a century, the New York Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association (NYTHA) has represented the interests of Thoroughbred owners and trainers at New York Racing Association (NYRA) tracks. NYTHA was founded with the objective of serving as a collective voice for New York's horsemen, and to improve and increase the effectiveness of its constituents in the day-to-day business of racing. Today, NYTHA serves as the New York State Gaming Commission's recognized representative of owners and trainers, striving to advocate for all horsemen and to gain public recognition of horse racing as a vital industry, deserving support, cultivation, and preservation.

The heart of NYTHA's mission is threefold:

- **To provide assistance and benevolence to the Backstretch Community;**
- **To safeguard horsemen's financial and political interests; and**
- **To advance and fund equine health and welfare reform, research, and aftercare**

Recognizing the backstretch workers as the foundation of the Thoroughbred industry, NYTHA is wholly committed to working with the not-for-profit organizations at New York's racetracks to create a safe and healthy environment for the thousands of men and women who dedicate their lives to caring for the horses.

Our organization is laser focused on equine welfare. NYTHA is a founding member of the Mid-Atlantic Strategic Plan to Reduce Equine Fatalities, spearheaded the National Uniform Medication Program, and works daily with our owners and trainers to provide secure retirement for our horses.

In everything we do, NYTHA is duty bound to promote and protect the racing industry to the benefit of the horsemen who are its lifeblood.



AQUEDUCT

**BELMONT
PARK**

SARATOGA

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Dear NYTHA Members,

The NYTHA Board of Directors is proud to present our 2020 Annual Report. The challenges we faced the past 12 months have been unprecedented. This report will only scratch the surface in describing NYTHA's response, but we should all be proud of the organization's staff and their performance in the face of Covid-19 and a significant reduction in revenue. The report also showcases our ongoing programs supporting the backstretch workers, trainers, owners, and the equine athletes that participate at NYRA tracks.

Beyond our Covid-19 response, the past year has been driven by significant accomplishments; continued lowering of worker's compensation costs, improved communication and coordination with NYRA, leading the Mid-Atlantic Strategic Plan to reduce our breakdown rate to the lowest in the country, as well as hiring Will Alempijevic as our new Executive Director.

However, we are not without challenges. More specifically, the supply and cost of labor has become increasingly difficult for our trainers to manage. Restrictive federal immigration policies have choked the supply of workers, and heightened enforcement of the labyrinth of state labor rules has vastly increased the amount of time required to manage these employees. Challenging in a different way, but just as ominous, is our dwindling pool of owners. We must improve the value proposition for owners or they will continue to flee the sport.

For the coming year, we are going to keep our goals simple and clear:

1. Work to Improve the Business Model for Trainers – Items such as developing a health insurance program and creating new pools of workers to draw from.
2. Improve the Ownership Experience – Improving communication and customer service from NYRA.
3. Develop a Strategic Plan for the Health and Welfare of the Backstretch Community.

The NYTHA Board remains stalwart in protecting and promoting our industry. Our Board works tirelessly for our common good and deserves acknowledgement for their dedication. On all our behalf, I thank them for their time, ideas, and efforts for the betterment of the sport.

We have been racing horses for a very long time and we are committed to having the best and safest place to race horses in the future. We at NYTHA are playing a small yet vital role in that advancement by supporting our backstretch workers, representing the interests of Owners and Trainers, as well as promoting horse racing in New York.

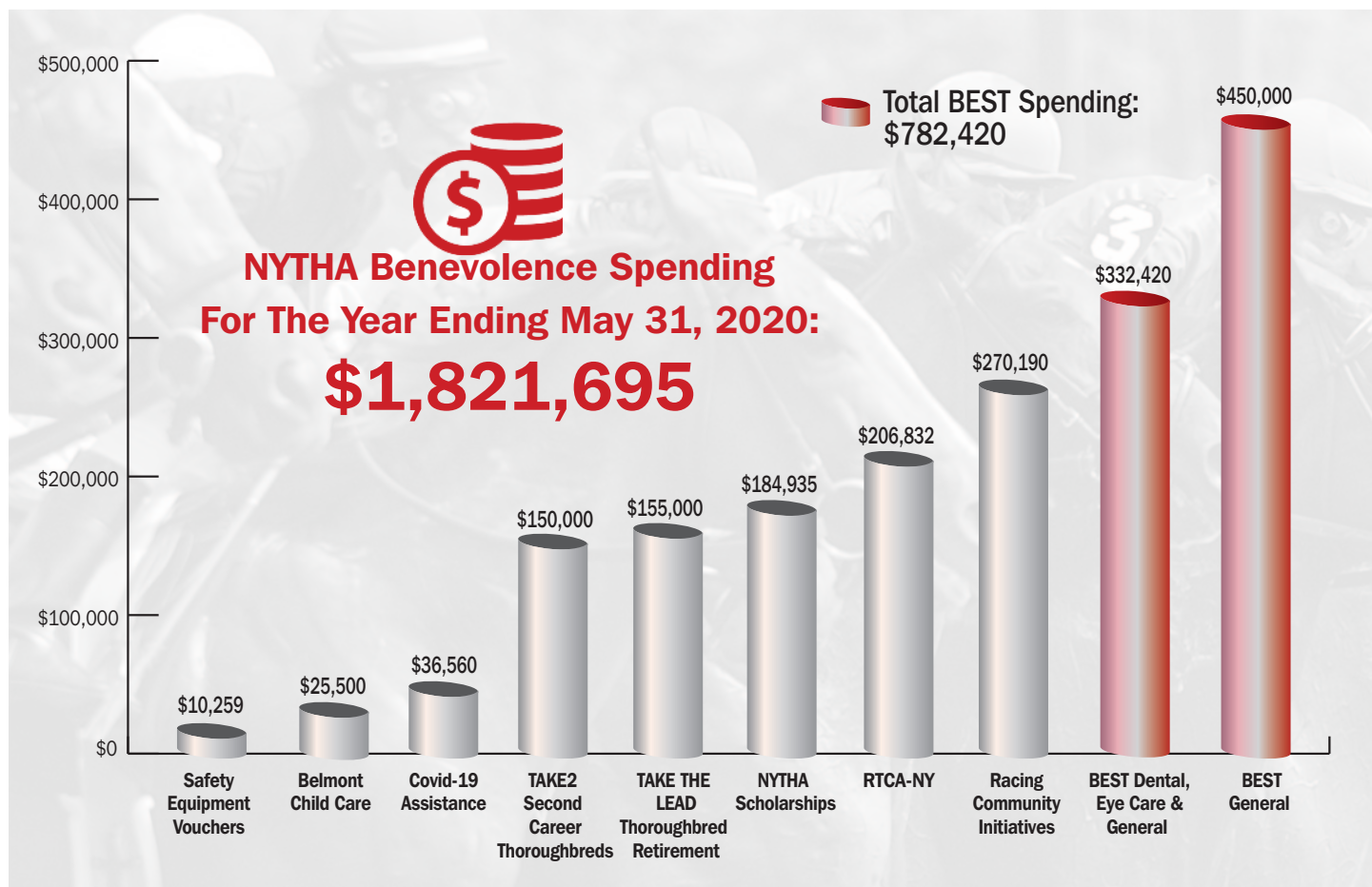
Sincerely,

Joe Appelbaum
President

BENEVOLENCE OVERVIEW

NYTHA's Benevolence Program for backstretch employees accounts for the organization's largest single expenditure. The services supported by NYTHA donations include health care clinics; substance abuse counseling; eyeglass and dental care coverage; English as a Second Language classes, computer labs, and the Groom Development Program; scholarships and college financial aid consultation; and recreation programs. The goal is to improve the quality of life for the dedicated people who care for the horses.

BENEVOLENCE SPENDING



* Racing Community Initiatives includes Lunch Vouchers , Equine Aftercare, Permanently Disabled Jockeys Fund, etc.



The non-profits we partner with include:

BEST

NYTHA's largest expenditure each year is for the Backstretch Employee Service Team (BEST). BEST has provided health care and social services to the members of the backstretch community since 1991, offering fully licensed drug and alcohol counseling, as well as primary care clinics at Belmont and Saratoga that are completely free of charge to the workers. The organization brings in professionals to help workers with health insurance enrollment, and tax preparation via the IRS-sponsored program known as VITA. This program has helped 206 workers collect more than \$400,000 in tax refunds.



Since 2010, NYTHA has contributed \$5,704,923 to support the work done by BEST.

In 2019, BEST services included:



957

Individual backstretch workers treated at the primary care clinics at Belmont & Saratoga



2,611

Visits to the primary care clinics



5,500+

Meals served to backstretch workers



17,000+

Articles of clothing distributed to the workers & their families



Backstretch Education Fund

NYTHA donates more than \$25,000 annually to fund the Community Center at Belmont Park, which provides access to laptop computers and computer training for the workers, giving them the ability to connect with loved ones through video calls, email and social media. NYTHA also underwrites the English as a Second Language course, held every Monday and Tuesday in the Belmont Recreation Hall, with a \$30,000 grant annually. More than 1,400 workers have completed the course. BEF was founded in 2004, and NYTHA has been its main supporter since its inception. In 2019, BEF partnered with BEST, which now manages its programs.



Race Track Chaplaincy of America – New York Division

In addition to spiritual guidance, the New York division of the Race Track Chaplaincy of America offers support as diverse as citizenship classes, food drives, clothing drives, school supplies for the children of backstretch workers, household goods, and recreation for the workers and their families. Recreational activities run the gamut from soccer and bowling leagues to trips to the theater, amusement parks and sporting events; from crafts and fitness programs to seasonal festivals and parties. All of these programs are focused on enriching the lives of the people on the backstretch.



Belmont Child Care Association

NYTHA has been a supporter of the Belmont Child Care Association (BCCA) since its creation in 1999. BCCA operates Anna House, a model child care center for backstretch workers. Open 365 days a year, Anna House cares for and helps to educate 100 children, ages six weeks to six years, on a daily basis. BCCA also offers after-school tutoring and a summer reading camp.

EQUINE AFTERCARE OVERVIEW

NYTHA created TAKE THE LEAD to ensure safe haven for the racehorses retiring from New York Racing Association tracks. The program partners with Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance-accredited organizations to provide New York's retired racehorses with rehabilitation and retraining placements. TAKE THE LEAD arranges for a veterinary exam, finds a suitable placement, gets all of the paperwork completed, pays transportation costs from the track, and makes a financial contribution to offset the cost of retirement.



The very first \$20,000 TAKE2 Finals were held in 2019, drawing 38 Thoroughbreds from 13 states to compete for the Rick Violette Memorial Hunter and Jumper Awards.

The TAKE2 Second Career Thoroughbred Program Inc. is committed to promoting and developing second careers for racehorses when they have retired from the track. Launched in 2012, TAKE2 is sponsored by NYTHA and co-founder New York Thoroughbred Breeders Inc. (NYTB), as well as supporters from the racing and breeding industries. The Program funds prize money and year-end awards in hunter and jumper classes restricted to Thoroughbreds, and introduced the \$20,000 TAKE2 Hunter and Jumper Finals last year.



Offered at just eight horse shows in three states in its first year, TAKE2 has grown to include more than 360 horse shows nationwide. TAKE2 highlights the success of Thoroughbreds as show horses. The goal is to create a market for retired racehorses, paving the way for secure futures beyond the racetrack. More than 1,800 Thoroughbreds have competed in TAKE2 Hunter and Jumper classes.



A Record Year For TAKE THE LEAD!

A record 133 racehorses were retired through the TAKE THE LEAD Thoroughbred Retirement Program last year.

That smashed the previous mark of 98, which was set in 2017. TAKE THE LEAD, which was created by the New York Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association in 2013, also celebrated its 500th retirement last year, and hit the 600 milestone by the end of the term. The total number of TTL retirees through its first seven years now stands at 603.

The popular New York-bred Uncle Sigh was a member of the current TAKE THE LEAD graduating class. The veteran finished 14th in the 2014 Kentucky Derby and went on to a very productive career that saw him win seven of his 42 starts and \$648,686. He made his final appearance at Belmont Park in September of 2019. Retired to ReRun, Uncle Sigh enjoyed a couple of months of R&R before being adopted by Chelsea Crozier of New Jersey. The 9-year-old is now living the life on a farm in the Garden State.

"He has been so much fun to get to know," said Chelsea. "At first he was aloof to everyone, but day by day we have slowly peeled away his tough guy exterior to find the goofy, inquisitive, and cuddly dude that he is. Each day he is learning new things about us and we are learning new things about him, such as he is very particular about the brand of peppermints that he will eat."

The organization's president, Rick Schosberg, is also the "boots on the ground" at Aqueduct, Belmont and Saratoga, personally overseeing each and every retirement.

"The past year has been a true representation of how the New York horsemen and women have realized the full benefits of our TAKE THE LEAD Program," said Schosberg. "The record number of retirees proves the ease of the process, and the high percentage of sound but 'noncompetitive' candidates show that the owners and trainers are indeed embracing the 'retire one race early' concept that is the core of our mission."

A 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization, TAKE2 and its sister program TAKE THE LEAD are co-funded by members of the Thoroughbred industry around the country: New York Thoroughbred Breeders, Inc.; New York Thoroughbred Breeding and Development Fund; Thoroughbred Horsemen's Associations in Illinois (through Galloping Out), Maryland (through Beyond the Wire) and Pennsylvania (through Turning for Home); Ocala Breeders' Sales Company; and the Empire Racing Club. TAKE2 is a 2019 TCA grantee.



New York Strong: Racing Unites To Fight A Pandemic

The year 2020 has been one like no other. Belmont Park was at the epicenter of the Covid-19 crisis in the state of New York, straddling the borders of Nassau and Queens, two counties hardest hit by the virus. But New York racing wasted no time in coming together to rise to the challenge.

By March 10, the New York Racing Association had assembled a task force that included representatives from NYRA, NYTHA, the Backstretch Employee Service Team, and the New York division of the Racetrack Chaplaincy of America. The “Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Plan” was developed quickly. The task force, chaired by NYRA Senior VP Martin Panza and including NYTHA Executive Director Will Alempijevic, Chaplain Humberto Chavez, BEST Executive Director Paul Ruchames, and NYRA team members Glen Kozak, John Clyne, Brooke Hawkins, Tim Kelly, Bill Napolitano, and Tatianna Torres, was mobilized to ensure the health and safety of the backstretch community.



The first case of Covid-19 at Belmont was confirmed on March 19, and racing was immediately suspended. Alempijevic believes that decision was key to containing the virus on the backstretch.

“We would like to thank everyone from all around the country who reached out in support of our food pantry and our other efforts on behalf of those we serve. From donations large and small, to handwritten notes, phone calls and prayers, we have been overwhelmed by the gestures of kindness toward the backstretch community.”

- Chaplain Chavez

“The industry's complete focus shifted to keeping our backstretch as safe as possible,” Alempijevic said. “It was a critical move made at a critical time with tremendous benefits to the outcome.”

There was a myriad of details that required laser focus.

“We had to develop track-wide policies, such as the necessity of wearing protective gear, and messaging strategies as well,” Ruchames said. “We had to fulfill the demand for disposable gloves, masks, medical supplies, food, and clothing for those in quarantine or unemployed. We needed to ensure that all

who needed medical care got it, and that doctor's orders were followed as much as possible by backstretch patients. Most important, we had to take responsibility for the implementation of quarantine recommendations.”

Over the next three months, a total of 86 backstretch workers tested positive and were placed into quarantine, either in their homes off track, or in the dorms on the Belmont backstretch. The Chaplaincy was there to make sure that, while they might be isolated, they were not alone.

"We were able to deliver meals to those in quarantine, both on and off the track," Chaplain Chavez explained. "The deliveries incorporate three meals per day, as well as snacks for every day of the week, and were delivered in packages assembled by our team twice per week."

BEST and the Chaplaincy joined forces to keep the lines of communication open as well.

"Everyone in quarantine was contacted by text and by phone multiple times per week," Ruchames said. "If anyone needed counseling, we were able to provide it via telephone sessions."

Added the Chaplain, "It's tough to give comfort without being able to offer a hug or to visit in the hospital. We do the best we can from a safe distance or over the phone, and we are also the lifeline for families calling in from other countries to check on their loved ones. The situation could be as overwhelming for me as it was for everyone, but I am grateful for the gifts from God that are my faith and my family and the team here on the track."

NYTHA was integral to the team. The organization stepped up to contribute over-the-counter medications, thermometers and hand sanitizer, as well as 200,000 masks and gloves for the workers, and funded a negative pressure room so the BEST Health Center on the Belmont backstretch could continue to operate. NYTHA Director Rick Schosberg was invaluable, tirelessly coordinating distribution on the backstretch. One of his clients, Robert Jacoff, generously donated 3,000 N95 and 5,000 surgical masks to the cause.

The efforts of the LIFQHC, which operates the BEST Health Center at Belmont, were essential to the crisis response. "The staff responded with determination, expert medical intervention, and courage," Ruchames said. "Early on, like medical care providers everywhere, they lacked sufficient personal protective equipment, but chose to continue working to serve the ever-increasing patient population even though they themselves were at risk."

Thanks to the incredible dedication and diligent work of so many, only five workers required hospitalization. Sadly, the racing community lost one member when Martin Zapata, who worked for trainer Tom Morley, passed away from Covid-19 on April 7.

"That was the toughest moment," Alempijevic said. "We are all deeply sorry for his family's loss."

The members of the racing community came together to aid Martin Zapata's family, and each other, in the face of an historic challenge. "The horsemen and women have been great partners," Alempijevic said. "They responded exceptionally to the protocols put in place. Without their help and support, it would have been difficult to disseminate the proper information about socially distancing, facial coverings, and staying home and getting help from the BEST Clinic. Our industry is famously fragmented, but here we showed everyone - in particular ourselves - we can achieve so much more by working together."

"I would like to thank everyone. NYRA kept the track open through it all. Owners were patient and paid bills on horses that weren't running. Trainers looked after their horses and kept their staff employed. BEST, the Chaplaincy, the Clinic provided care for people. We needed everyone's help and support, and we got it."

- Will Alempijevic

"I am profoundly grateful for the efforts of NYRA and NYTHA and so many others - United Way of Long Island, Valley Stream LIJ Hospital, Premise Health and its team of EMTs, Thoroughbred Charities of America (TCA), and the dozens of racing fans and concerned citizens who donated to our efforts."

- Paul Ruchames

SCHOLARSHIP OVERVIEW

NYTHA provides scholarship grants, as well as transportation and books, to backstretch workers and their immediate dependents. Our students have gone on to become veterinarians, nurses and surgical technicians, teachers, pilots, police officers, business analysts, and accountants. One young woman recently earned her Master's Degree in Social Work from Adelphi University, another is working toward her Doctorate in Physical Therapy from NYIT, and a third will attend the prestigious The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine in the fall.

NYTHA



distributed a total of \$189,235 to 41 students in 2019.



has assisted 484 students to realize the dream of a college degree since 2008.

The schools attended last year include Adelphi University, Brooklyn College, Cornell University, Hofstra University, Ithaca College, Lehman Community College, Molloy College, Monroe College, Morrisville State College, Nassau Community College, New York Institute of Technology, Queensborough Community College, St. John's University, Stony Brook University, York College, and SUNY Albany, Brockport, Buffalo, Oneonta, and Old Westbury in New York, and out-of-state schools including Florida Atlantic University and Walden University.



“Nancy demonstrates what it means to be a NYTHA Scholarship student. She is a single mom who attended classes at Nassau Community College and maintained a 3.4 GPA while raising her son and working part-time. She graduated from the Surgical Technology Program in May 2020. She would tell me from time to time that she was struggling, but she never gave up. I am so proud of her, and of all our students!”

- Dionne Johnson, NYTHA Business Manager and Co-Chair of the Scholarship Committee.



ADVOCACY OVERVIEW



NYTHA represents the owners and trainers racing at the NYRA tracks, addressing the issues big and small that impact New York's horsemen. At the top of that agenda is safeguarding VLT revenue, which has spurred significant growth for the racing industry in New York, creating jobs and increasing revenue for the state while maintaining a purse structure that makes racing more economically viable for owners. We also are focused on maintaining a robust year-round racing schedule, and creating solutions to challenges involving Department of Labor and Immigration regulations and requirements.

NYTHA ensures that horsemen's voices are heard on topics such as:



**EQUINE
SAFETY AND
WELFARE**



**SPORTS
BETTING**



**BELMONT
PARK
REDEVELOPMENT**



**PROTECTION
OF RACING
DATES**



**MEDICATION
AND RACING
REGULATIONS**

NYTHA works in conjunction with the State Legislature, Executive Branch, NYS Gaming Commission, New York Racing Association, New York Thoroughbred Breeders, local and national racing industry groups and academic institutions to achieve our collective goals.

Our recent successes include:

- In conjunction with NYRA and the NYS Gaming Commission, adopting policy and protocols that have helped **drive down workers' compensation premiums more than 47% since 2017**;
- **Successfully lobbying for New York Jockey Injury Compensation Fund legislation** that creates a collateral fund from the NYRA purse account and allows the NYJICF to move to a high-deductible workers' compensation policy designed to reduce costs and pass on savings to horsemen;
- **Launching a program to pay the NYJICF stall charge** for the first 12 stalls, a savings of more than \$7,000 for every trainer;
- **Implementing a claiming surcharge to help fund NYTHA's Thoroughbred retirement program**, TAKE THE LEAD, ensuring safe and healthy retirement for NYRA's racehorses;
- Working with New York Equine Medical Director Dr. Scott Palmer to create and implement the Mid-Atlantic **Strategic Plan to Reduce Racehorse Fatalities**, collaborating with fellow Mid-Atlantic industry stakeholders to develop Best Practices and adopt policy and regulations that will enhance the safety of the horses and the integrity of the sport;
- **Regaining the vote for** Horsemen and Breeders on the NYRA Board;
- **Successfully lobbying for a mandated contract** between Horsemen and Breeders and NYRA that protects winter racing dates;
- **Establishing a Split Sample Program**, funded by NYTHA, at NYRA tracks.



NYTHA Board Member Rick Schosberg and Sen. Joseph Addabbo Jr. at NYTHA's Annual NY Horse Power event in Albany



Sen. Anna Kaplan and RTCA-NY's Karen Chavez



Senate Majority Leader and Temporary President Andrea Stewart-Cousins and NYTHA President Joe Appelbaum



NYTHA Executive Director Will Alempijevic, Assemblywoman Carrie Woerner & NYTHA President Joe Appelbaum

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The New York Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association, a 501(c)(6) not-for-profit trade association, is funded by New York statute, Section 228 of the Racing, Pari-Mutuel Wagering and Breeding Law (PML). The statute mandates that the New York Racing Association withhold 2% of purses as payment to NYTHA. It further requires that NYTHA budgets funding for equipment for equine drug testing, benevolence programs, and contributions to organizations that provide necessary services to backstretch employees. NYTHA spends approximately 60% of its annual revenue on benevolence programs.

"Ensuring that the programs for our backstretch workers and our retired racehorses have the necessary funding is our mission and our mandate," NYTHA President Joe Appelbaum said. "To that end, we maintain conservative reserves, just two-thirds of our annual budget, so we can meet unexpected demands as they arise." The Covid-19 crisis had a significant impact on the NYTHA budget in fiscal 2019-20, both in terms of funding and added expenditures, including PPE and other supplies for the backstretch and a negative pressure room for the BEST Health Center at Belmont Park.

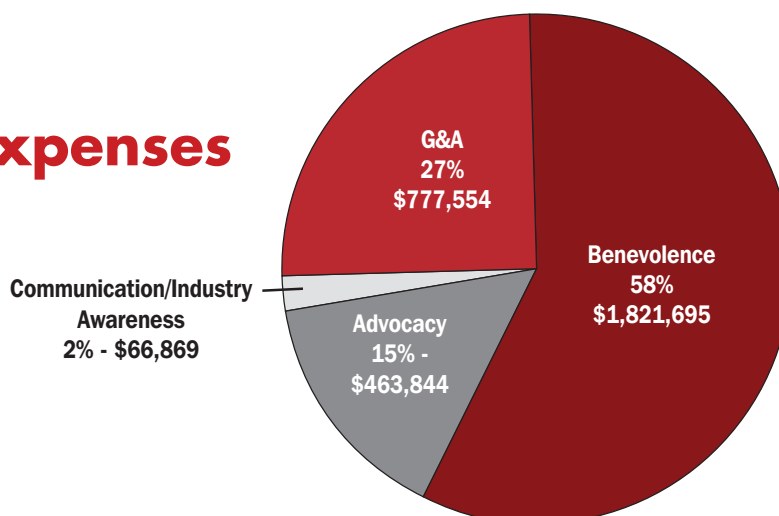
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

New York Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association, Inc. May 31, 2020

	2020	2019
Assets		
Current Assets*	\$6,947,326	\$3,061,227
Furniture and Equipment - Net	185,989	256,067
Total Assets	\$7,133,315	\$3,317,294
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Current Liabilities*	\$4,285,577	\$128,612
Net Assets	2,847,738	3,188,682
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$7,133,315	\$3,317,294

*In November 2019, NYTHA entered into an agreement with NYRA in an industry-wide effort to assist in the reduction of workers' compensation insurance cost for those trainers who train at NYRA racetracks. By transferring \$4.15 million from the purse cushion, NYTHA was able to enter into a letter of credit arrangement with a local bank in order to establish the required collateral to assist the New York Jockey Injury Compensation Fund in implementing a high-deductible workers' compensation plan and thereby lowering workers' compensation insurance costs. Thus, NYTHA increased its current assets and current liabilities by \$4.15 million in the fiscal year ending May 31, 2020.

NYTHA Total Expenses \$ 3,124,962



STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

New York Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association, Inc. For The Year Ending May 31, 2020

	2020	2019
Revenue:		
Aqueduct Fall	\$449,798	\$427,754
Aqueduct Winter/Spring	384,471	596,528
Belmont Fall	580,589	521,387
Belmont Spring/Summer	497,195	856,605
Saratoga Summer	797,802	785,285
Investment Income	74,163	49,337
Total Revenue	\$2,784,018	\$3,236,896
Expenses:		
Advertising & Promotion	\$4,350	\$6,550
Benevolence/Benevolence Depreciation	1,821,695	1,715,773
Donations & Gifts	17,183	4,945
Dues/Registrations/Subscriptions	99,767	70,930
Equipment Rental	7,074	7,422
Fundraising & Meetings	18,876	28,931
Industry Awareness/Outreach/Ownership Development	37,016	42,796
Insurance	86,040	58,168
Membership Communications	6,498	39,071
Miscellaneous	1,090	1,100
Newsletter	306	1,114
Office	14,979	13,339
Personnel Costs	409,592	373,016
Payroll Taxes	32,755	27,809
Postage & Delivery	3,398	3,382
Printings & Mailings	1,329	2,388
Professional Fees	485,864	425,430
Promotions	22,165	17,353
Retirement	14,605	13,047
Telephone	6,714	6,244
Travel	33,078	21,598
Website	588	590
Total Expenses	3,124,962	2,880,996
Change In Net Assets	\$(340,944)	\$355,900

COMMUNICATION

NYTHA is dedicated to keeping its membership informed on the issues that impact New York's horsemen and women and the Thoroughbred industry as a whole.

MEMBERSHIP SERVICES COORDINATOR:

Membership Services Coordinator Kathy Locke works directly with our owners and trainers to help meet any needs they may have, from hospitality to logistics to answers to questions on just about any racing-related topic. She is responsible for coordinating communications. You can reach Kathy at klocke@nytha.com, or at (516) 309-2334.

BULLETINS:

NYTHA sends out regular Bulletins and Newsletters aimed at providing the latest information from NYTHA, NYRA, the NYS Gaming Commission, the State Capitol and from our benevolence partners. Highlights include profiles of NYTHA Board members, features on NYTHA-funded programs and initiatives, and upcoming events for the New York racing community. If you are not on the email list, please contact us at info@nytha.com and we will add you. Bulletins and Newsletters are posted on our website and available in the NYTHA Office and the NYRA Racing Office.

NYTHA WEBSITE:

NYTHA.com features information about the organization and the work we do. The site also offers links to in-depth information on aftercare initiatives, racing rules and regulations, horsemen's resources, and industry news and advisories.

SOCIAL MEDIA:

To keep up-to-date on the latest on the New York racing scene, follow NYTHA on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, @NewYorkTHA.

START A CONVERSATION:

We welcome visitors to the NYTHA Office at Aqueduct (around the corner from the Racing Office), Belmont Park (in the Clubhouse Lobby) and Saratoga (on the main track backstretch, by the 5/8 pole). Executive Director Will Alempijevic (walempijevic@nytha.com), Business Manager Dionne Johnson (djohnson@nytha.com), Executive Assistant Lee Buonagura (lbuonagura@nytha.com), Membership Services Coordinator Kathy Locke (klocke@nytha.com), and Backstretch Coordinator Maria Cristina Silva (msilva@nytha.com) are at your service. We recognize that the horsemen are the lifeblood of our industry, and our door is always open.

TEXT SERVICE:

Trainers competing at NYRA tracks receive timely texts from the NYTHA office to keep them informed of advisories, news, and events that assist them and their staff.

WEBINARS:

Coordinated webinars exclusively for NYTHA members are conducted regularly with NYRA Senior Level Executives to connect on and discuss important industry-related topics.

It Pays To Race In New York!



**\$5.3
BILLION**
NY'S EQUINE INDUSTRY
ECONOMIC IMPACT



**\$2.2
BILLION**
NYRA RACING
ANNUAL HANDLE



42,400
FULL-TIME JOBS
SUPPORTED BY NY'S
EQUINE INDUSTRY



**34 GRADE
I RACES**
AT NYRA RACETRACKS
IN 2019



\$82,456
NYRA AVERAGE
PURSE PER RACE
IN 2019

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