



# Eagle Mount Bozeman: Point Paper

*Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2014*

**Mission Statement:** Eagle Mount Bozeman is committed to provide quality therapeutic recreational opportunities for people with disabilities or cancer, and to provide support for families of participants so that *"they shall mount up with wings as eagles."* (Isaiah 40:31)

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## **Programs offered (Fiscal Year 2013 - 2014):**

- Adaptive Skiing
  - Bridger Ski—eight week alpine ski program at Bridger Bowl
  - Big Sky Ski—season-long adaptive skiing at Big Sky, Moonlight Basin, and Yellowstone Club
  - Cross-country Skiing and Snowshoeing at Bohart Ranch
- Therapeutic Horsemanship – held year round at the Eagle Mount Bozeman Cyndi Fonda Dabney Riding Arena
  - 32 weeks of Therapeutic Horsemanship
  - 2 one-week horsemanship camps
  - 10 week spring Special Olympics Equestrian training
  - Includes therapeutic riding, sport/skill riding, mini horse experience
  - Supports 14 weeks of Hippotherapy offered by cooperating therapists
  - Hosts two PATH On-Site Workshop and Certification sessions
- Ice Skating (October – November) at Haynes Pavilion
- Aquatic Therapy
  - Held at Eagle Mount's Tim and Mary Barnard Aquatic Center
  - Classes scheduled to meet specific needs
  - Young At Heart – Senior therapy program
- Adventure Days
  - 8 week session offering a wide variety of adaptive sports for participants with developmental disabilities
  - Cycling – staff supported destination rides for independent riders
- Big Sky Kids (camps for young people with cancer and their families)
  - Spring Fling – family ski weekend at Big Sky Resort
  - Adventure Camp – 10 day camp in late June for children (ages 11 – 18) and one parent, held at Buck's T-4 Lodge
  - Camp Braveheart –for children ages 5 – 10 and their families
  - Young Adult Retreat – for individuals ages 16–23 who have had cancer
- Horticulture – weekly, February – September
- Saturday Night Out – monthly respite program for families of participants age 13 to 22
- Kids' Night Out – monthly respite program for families of participants age 5 to 12

**Funding:** Eagle Mount is funded exclusively through private funds; we do not accept government funding. Our fees are very modest, and we never turn anyone away if they cannot pay. We are grateful beyond measure to the individuals, foundations, and businesses who make a difference in the world by supporting our work.

**Regions Served:** Our programs are open to anyone who qualifies, regardless of their place of residence. Sixty-five percent of our participants come from Bozeman and the surrounding area, 20% are from elsewhere in Montana, and 15% are from all over the U.S.

**Facilities:** Eagle Mount Bozeman's 19-acre campus includes a Therapeutic Horsemanship Center, an Aquatic Therapy Center, a greenhouse and accessible gardens. Winter sports programs are held at our partner ski areas: Bridger Bowl, Big Sky, Moonlight Basin, Bohart Ranch, and the Yellowstone Club. Rafting, kayaking, and fly fishing take place on the Gallatin, Yellowstone, Madison, and Jefferson Rivers.

## Program Enrollments: Participants and Volunteers

2013 - 2014 Program Totals			
Program	Vol. Hours	Volunteers	Participants
Adaptive Ski - Total	9,126	442	287
Alpine - Bridger Bowl (1,058 Lessons)	5,882	285	176
Alpine - Big Sky (505 Lessons)	2,619	111	74
Nordic and Snowshoeing	625	46	37
Adventure Days - Total	495	57	78
Eagle Explorers (ages 13-18)	116	8	14
Eagle Explorers (ages 18-23)	61	5	16
Eagle Mountaineers (Adult)	20	5	16
Tiny Trekkers (ages 5-8)	36	4	10
Bridger Bounders (ages 9-12)	40	4	11
Hand Cycling	222	31	11
Adventure Days Interns	850	2	
Aquatic Therapy - Total	2,442	309	793
Fall Session (13 Weeks)	824	77	202
Winter Session (8 Weeks)	454	60	187
Spring Session (8 Weeks)	312	82	193
Summer Session (8 Weeks)	852	90	211
Therapeutic Horseback Riding - Total	4,727	504	274
Session V (Fall/Winter 2013)	498	83	32
Session I (Winter 2014)	837	93	50
Session II (Spring 2014)	492	82	29
Special Olympics Training	200	8	13
Session III (Summer 2014)	972	108	67
Horsemanship Camps	720	18	14
Session IV (Fall 2014)	1,008	112	69
Big Sky Kids - Total	10,861	473	166
Spring Fling Weekend	631	77	82
Camp Braveheart	2,671	111	30
Adventure Camp	6,284	204	39
Young Adult Retreat	1,105	72	11
Summit Aviation Flight Camp	170	9	4
Horticulture	482	26	15
Ice Skating	268	29	35
Saturday Night Out	387	86	75
Kids' Night Out	147	42	40
EMBLEM	196	9	20
<b>Total Program Statistics</b>	30,001	1,979	1,783



Eagle Mount is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization based on a nineteen-acre campus in Bozeman, Montana

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