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**Type of organization:** Business **Number of Employees:** 99

**Category:** community

## **Challenge or Opportunity:**

Wire Belt has a strong commitment to our community. We formed a partnership with UpReach Therapeutic Equestrian Center located in Goffstown, NH. UpReach inspires hope, fostering independence and improving the physical, emotional, and psychological development of individuals with and without disabilities by partnering with the power of the horse.

## **Approach or Solution:**

The challenge of being a program focused on horses in NH is the winter weather. Wire Belt helped build their first walk-in shed in 2013. A walk-in shed is a three sided, covered, structure that allows the horses the freedom of longer stays outside during inclement weather. The materials were provided by Wire Belt as well labor.

## Impact:

The walk-in shed made an impact on the day-to-day operations at UpReach so they approached us again about building another one. However, this structure was a double size, back-to-back, shed that will provide a walk-in shelter to two additional paddocks. We love our partnership with UpReach and amazing work they do for individuals with disabilities