

RUN FOR THE RIBBONS INC

Setting the pace in Thoroughbred Aftercare

FROM DREAM TO REALITY (2014)

- Run for the Ribbons Inc (RFTR) was founded as a 501c3 Thoroughbred aftercare organization dedicated to supporting the rehabilitation, retraining, adoptions and retirement of off-track Thoroughbreds (OTTBs).
- RFTR's Hunter/Jumper horse show series open to all breeds funded the needs of the horses in our program.



1ST FL TB TRANSFORMATION EXPO (2017)

- Inaugural Annual Florida Thoroughbred Transformation Expo; exclusively for OTTBs less than 3 years off the track
- 3-days at the Florida Horse Park
- 6 disciplines
- 32 entries



OPENING MORE DOORS (2018)

- Added Open division at the Expo for OTTBs more than 3 yrs off the track or unraced



BEST YEAR YET (2021)

- Fundraising success = \$25,000 in prize money (\$15,000 previously)
- Over 120 Thoroughbreds competed at the Expo!

"This bell rings for the love and respect of the Thoroughbred"



RING THE BELL & TAA (2023)



- RFTR became a Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance (TAA) accredited organization
- The Ring the Bell Program introduced to Tampa Bay Downs opening day in November
- 18 horses admitted through May 2024 (\$36,600 raised)



10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY (2024)

- 10 horses admitted from Gulfstream Park
- 45+ Thoroughbreds impacted this year
- 300+ Thoroughbreds impacted since 2014

ASPIRATIONS (2025 - FUTURE)

- Impact more horses
- Increase Expo prize money \$50,000+
- Equine-assisted Learning/Therapy
- Community pillar serving Thoroughbreds and people for generations to come

