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After the Homestretch-Arizona Launches Urgent "Water for Warriors" Fundraiser to Build Life-Sustaining Well for Retired Racehorses

Phoenix, AZ — **August 19, 2025** — After the Homestretch-Arizona (ATHA), a nonprofit organization dedicated to giving retired racehorses a second chance at life, has launched a critical fundraising campaign, **Water for Warriors**, to build a new well at its Desert Hills facility. The well is essential to ensure clean, reliable water for the horses who call ATHA home—many of whom arrive after careers on the racetrack, seeking healing and a second chance.

The total cost of the project is **\$45,000**, but thanks to a generous matching pledge, the first **\$10,000** in donations will be doubled—giving supporters a powerful opportunity to make their contributions go twice as far.

"Water is the foundation of care," said Michele Anderson, President of ATHA. "These horses have given their all on the track. Now, it's our turn to give them the stability and dignity they deserve. A new well isn't just infrastructure—it's a promise of health, safety, and hope."

The campaign comes at a pivotal moment for ATHA, which has seen growing demand for its services and a deepening commitment to long-term sustainability. The well will support daily hydration, medical needs, and overall herd health, ensuring that the organization can continue its mission with confidence.

ATHA is calling on individuals, businesses, and horse lovers across Arizona and beyond to help meet the goal. Every dollar raised helps fill the well and fuel the future for these equine warriors.

How to Help:

Donations can be made directly at <u>this link</u> or on our website <u>https://afterthehomestretchaz.org</u> or by contacting ATHA directly at 480-485-6477.

Together, we can dig deep—for the well, and for their future.