Rising Tide Merges with Martha’s Vineyard Community Horse Center
The two non-profit organizations share common goals — connecting people with horses

West Tisbury, MA (February 1, 2018): Rising Tide Therapeutic Equestrian Center (RT), serving the island community since 2007, has merged with Martha’s Vineyard Community Horse Center (MVCHC). The merger between RT and MVCHC will allow the expansion of therapeutic programs that empower individuals through connection with horses. The two organizations will continue as MVCHC.

MVCHC is a year-round facility that offers affordable programs to help individuals build leadership and communication skills, self-esteem and personal awareness through interaction with horses.

“We are very excited about the merger with Rising Tide to continue their meaningful work,” Sarah Nixon, president of the board of MVCHC. “It is a natural fit for both organizations. Together we have an opportunity to make an even greater impact to those with special needs on the island.”

Rising Tide helps physically, emotionally and learning disabled children and adults improve their quality of life through equine-assisted activities and therapies. “Our programs needed more space, more horses and a year-round solution,” said Susan Fieldsmith, board president of Rising Tide. “The large facility at MVCHC offers a tranquil, spacious environment that is ideal for our kids. And, the state-of-the-art, heated indoor arena will allow our programs to run all year.”

“It is our ultimate goal to grow the therapeutic equine programming. Through our merger, we’ll offer improved and expanded services to reach a larger population of the island community,” Sarah McKay, Executive Director of MVCHC.

About MVCHC: Martha’s Vineyard Community Horse Center is a 501(c)3 organization. MVCHC mission is to provide a year-round center that offers affordable programs that build leadership skills, communication skills, self-esteem and personal awareness through interactions with horses. The MVCHC, located in West Tisbury, is state-of-the-art and environmentally sustainable. It includes a 14-Stall Barn, Indoor Arena and Outdoor Ring. For more information, please visit www.mvhorsecenter.com.