

# Giddy Up Riders

OF KANSAS CITY!

## WHO WE ARE:

GIDDY-UP RIDERS OF KANSAS CITY IS A COMMUNITY-ROOTED SADDLE CLUB FOUNDED IN FEBRUARY 2024 BY CEO AND PRESIDENT, MANETTE NORRIS. WE ARE DEDICATED TO EDUCATING AND EMPOWERING OUR COMMUNITY BY HONORING AND PRESERVING THE RICH LEGACY OF BLACK WESTERN CULTURE.

WE PROMOTE DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION IN EQUESTRIAN SPACES WHILE UPLIFTING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF BLACK COWBOYS AND COWGIRLS— ESPECIALLY BLACK WOMEN IN THE EQUINE WORLD. THROUGH EDUCATION, OUTREACH, AND HORSEMANSHIP, WE ARE COMMITTED TO CREATING AN INCLUSIVE RIDING EXPERIENCE THAT FOSTERS CONNECTION, PRIDE, AND PURPOSE.

## OUR MISSION

THE MISSION OF GIDDY-UP RIDERS OF KANSAS CITY IS TO PRESERVE AND PROMOTE THE RICHNESS OF BLACK WESTERN HERITAGE WHILE FOSTERING KNOWLEDGE, INCLUSION, AND EXCELLENCE IN EQUINE DISCIPLINES.

WE TRAIN AND EMPOWER RIDERS OF ALL AGES THROUGH HANDS-ON HORSEMANSHIP, CULTURAL EDUCATION, AND ANIMAL-ASSISTED THERAPY. OUR PROGRAMS, COMMUNITY EVENTS, AND YOUTH-LED INITIATIVES CREATE A SAFE, WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT WHERE EVERY RIDER—YOUNG OR OLD—FEELS SEEN, SUPPORTED, AND CELEBRATED.

## OUR PURPOSE

TO PRESERVE A LEGACY OF PRIDE, HORSEMANSHIP, AND HEALING— BUILDING CONFIDENCE, COMPASSION, AND COMMUNITY BONDS, ONE HORSE AND RIDER AT A TIME.

“HONORING THE PAST. EMPOWERING THE PRESENT. RIDING FOR THE FUTURE.”

