

**Dear EBI Friend,**

As we approach our 30 year anniversary and are coming close to the end of our fiscal year on June 30th, I'm reflecting on the many plans EBI has been able to put in place with the support of our community. You have made it possible for us to dream about and launch innovative programs, and to provide ongoing services and resources so important to our clients' well-being.



Your contributions make a difference! **We need your support by June 30th to reach the ambitious fundraising goal we set to address critical client needs that aren't covered by other sources of funding, and to move our programs forward.** With your contributions, EBI can make a security deposit for a client move, purchase food, provide a medical alert system, and cover travel expenses to last minute medical appointments, etc.

And, here's a small sample of agency-wide achievements this year:

- EBI emerged from Covid with reimagined employment services using virtual and in-person job exploration and on-the-job training
- In partnership with the YMCA and Berkeley City College, EBI developed an adapted child care apprenticeship program that will start this summer
- With a grant from the Department of Aging, we developed an expansive training program for direct support professionals
- We were one of three agencies in California selected by the Department of Developmental Services to pilot an assistive technology program

As you can see from these examples, **your gifts provide indispensable support** for both rapid responses to emergency client needs and program and organizational development efforts that keep us growing.

Thank you for sharing our vision to enhance the lives of more than 500 individuals with disabilities. **I hope you will assist our efforts, as generously as you can, to meet our goal by June 30th. We need your support!**

Thank you and have a wonderful summer,



Tom Heinz  
Executive Director



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