Letter from the President

As 2021 approaches its end, I find myself reflecting on the challenges of the year, but also on many moments of hope and joy. The challenges are apparent; the continuing pandemic, the workforce crisis, the financial strains of continuing to attract and retain quality staff, the shortfalls in government funding. The feelings of hope are because, despite all of these challenges, we are still here and fully on-mission. We have been providing full in-person services for the entire year, our students and adults are still making progress and working towards achieving their potential, and we have had such extraordinary support from you, our larger NLG community. The joy is all around here at NLG. From my desk I can hear staff and students singing (Sugar by Maroon 5), laughing, and joking, and celebrating every single achievement.

Our amazing staff has adaptably and creatively continued to provide excellent services to our students and adults throughout the challenges of the year. They deserve the undying gratitude of our community. Our Nurses in particular have served heroically this year.

A highlight of the Fall was our 19th Give them Wings event on October 16th! Our hybrid celebration highlighted the impact NLG has had on the families we serve and I was so appreciative of the generous support we received, especially the wonderful match challenge put up by the Atamian Family, and the extraordinary response of the attendees to that match. These funds are so essential to allowing us to continue our mission. I ask for your continued generous support for our upcoming Annual Appeal.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for supporting us during this unending crisis and allowing us to continue to change the outcome for individuals severely affected by Autism. Thank you for all you do to support NLG!

Liz Martineau
President

Upcoming Events

Annual Fund—2022 Kickoff
November

Giving Tuesday
November 30th
Support NLG through our Facebook Fundraising Campaign

Gift Card Orders
November–December
Download RaiseRight and order gift cards from your phone

For more information on events and ways to help, contact Emily Wheet Emily.wheet@nashobalearninggroup.org
Thank you to everyone who participated, donated, sponsored, or attended our Auction on Saturday, October 16th. Our first hybrid event was a huge success! The evening included TJ and Kerri Winick sharing their gratitude for how NLG worked with their family through virtual learning and COVID. We presented a video, created by Kerri Winick, that highlighted our students and staff. Conor Beswick, sibling to an NLG student and Boston Marathon runner for NLG, spoke of his fun loving sister and how much NLG has meant to their family. CEO Liz Martineau discussed the impact of COVID on NLG’s workforce and the financial gap caused by increased compensation costs. A very generous $100,000 match from The Atamian Family kick started our Fund a Need, and many families joined in to make generous donations that raised the Fund A Need to a record level of $359,000!

Thanks to the generous support we have received, we raised a record breaking $500,000 after expenses, by far the most successful Give Them Wings Auction yet!

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Halloween at NLG
Boston Marathon

Congratulations to the 2021 NLG Boston Marathon Team! NLG was extremely grateful for their commitment to raising money on behalf of NLG, and we thank them from the bottom of our hearts for their fearless contributions. Special thanks to all the friends and families that donated to support NLG and our incredible team of runners. The team raised a total of $40,313!

Left to Right: 
Nicole Pelosi, Friend of NLG
Rebecca Raymond, NLG Staff Member,
Conor Beswick, Sibling of an NLG student

Bike to the Beach

This was NLG’s second year participating in Bike to the Beach, a 100 mile bike ride to raise funds and awareness for Autism! Five riders were part of NLG’s team raising over 5K to support our programming for individuals with Autism. We were happy to have two NLG fathers, a staff member, and additional NLG friends on our Bike to the Beach team!
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