



In the midst of these uncertain times, we hope that you and your families are safe and healthy. If you have not heard, given the status of the COVID-19 virus, we are taking careful steps to ensure the health and safety of our recipients, monkeys, and staff. At this time, we are not accepting inquiries and are suspending placements. If you would like further information about how Helping Hands: Monkey Helpers is addressing the situation, [please visit our website](#). In the meantime, we hope that this email will bring some smiles and goodwill to your inbox.

In this issue, you will read about the Helping Hands’ training staff, learn about our eCards, ruminate on the importance of companionship, and see the return of Monkey Bloopers. As always, thank you for your continued support of our work!

P.S. You may have noticed that you didn’t see an eNewsletter from Helping Hands in March. That’s because we are shifting Monkey Business to a bi-monthly publication! Stay tuned for the next edition in your inbox in **June**.

While administration staff works from home, we want to send a big THANK YOU to Helping Hands’ training staff! Our monkey helpers require daily care and our training staff comes into the Monkey College every day to ensure that our monkey helpers continue to receive everything they need. Our Monkey Helpers still need meals, baths, and playtime! All are currently healthy and we are taking additional safety measures to ensure that it stays that way. **THANK YOU!**

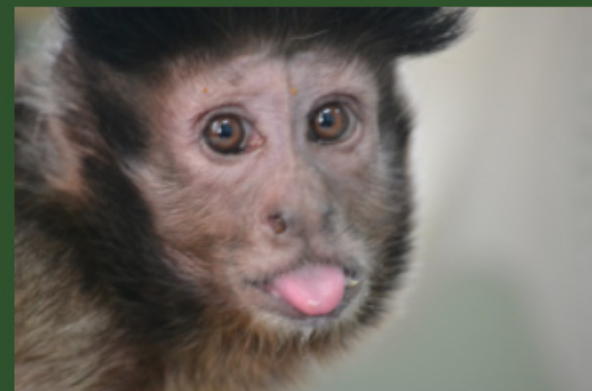


Did you know that HH has a large selection of eCards on our website? Use our images of cute monkey helpers to show thanks, wish a happy birthday, or just because! Now, more than ever, we could all use that virtual connection. When you send an eCard from Helping Hands, you create joy and share our mission. It’s fun and it’s free! (And we don’t capture you or your friend’s email.) Try it out today!

Companionship is on all of our minds as we stay connected to our loved ones and communities. In addition to greater independence and hope, Helping Hands and our monkey helpers provide recipients with the priceless gift of companionship. With an attentive and affectionate monkey helper, our recipients are defined more by what they have gained than by what they have lost. It is impossible to calculate the value of this transformation. As monkey helper recipient, MaryKay, says about her helper, Amy:



"When I saw Amy’s face for the first time, I fell in love. I think deep down I knew this was going to be a new beginning for both of us."



Tongues out! Helping Hands monkeys are great at learning and performing tasks, but not always great at posing for pictures. We’re bringing back monkey bloopers to bring a smile to your inbox. Stay tuned for more!

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