

News from The Monkey College

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Independence Day!

We hope that you had a very safe and Happy 4th of July! Do you realize that your support of our program allows every day to be Independence Day for recipients across the country? Together, we can celebrate the unique brand of independence that our special service animals bring to people living with mobility impairments. You make this all possible: Thank you!

While many schools are on summer break, your tuition dollars are hard at work here at The Monkey College. Our service monkeys continue training all summer so they can be placed with a new recipient as soon as a match is made!

Would you like to share the special relationship our service monkeys and recipients have with a group in New England? Our presentation, "Living Permanently Enabled," is a special program for students that teaches them about resilience, safety, and compassion for others. Please [contact us](#) if you know of a group that might be interested.

P.S. If you haven't yet received your Save-the-Date for [The Monkey Helpers' Annual Food Festivale](#) on October 22, please let us know and we'll send you one right away!

Do you know someone who might benefit from having a service monkey? [Connect us!](#)



Living Permanently Enabled

Do you know about Helping Hands' Youth Education program, "Living Permanently Enabled?" It is a fun and lively 30 to 45 minute presentation focusing on disability awareness, traumatic injury prevention, and the concept of being permanently enabled in one's own life.

[Learn More About our Youth Education Program](#)

Meet the Monkeys!

Have you visited the gym recently? Our friends and donors around the world have made the Helping Hands Playroom a fun, activity filled space. When taking a break from training, our service monkeys love to "work out" in the playroom with different toys and tools like this giant blue yoga ball! Please enjoy the latest Meet the Monkeys episode, [Exercise Ball!](#)

[Watch all our episodes](#)



Task Training—Itch

Can you imagine having an itch on your nose and not being able to scratch it? Itch is one of the more complicated tasks that we teach our monkey helpers in The Apartment at The Monkey College. At the end of their training, monkeys will be able to gently scratch an itch on a person's face with a soft cloth using facial cues.

[Learn More](#)

And the winner is...

Thanks to everyone who voted for their favorite blooper—your opinion and participation is important to us!

Helping Hands monkeys are great at learning and performing tasks, but not always great at posing for pictures! Be sure to follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) to be a part of the fun and make your voice heard: vote for the image that will be featured in next month's blooper section!

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