We hope that you will support this program by announcing the date, we will also announce guidelines. We are not collecting applications yet, but hope to announce a start date soon. Once we are collecting applications, we will only consider those who are in need of the device. We understand that everyone needs something a little different, so we have set up a need-based and device-focused program. We will not provide a device that cannot be covered by any type of insurance. We are raising funds, so we can implement the Assistive Device Program as quickly as possible. Second, the program will focus on those who are living with disabilities. It is not just about the person who needs the device, but also about the environment they are living in. An assistive and/or adaptive device could be an adaptive utensil for cooking or a device that helps see in the dark, open or lock the front or back door to someone’s home, or helps with a task that an individual finds difficult to do on their own. Technology that is not covered by insurance and an individual or family cannot afford one of these could benefit from this program.

It is 2022 however, and we do have a plethora of innovative technologies to assist those living with disabilities. My father marveled at his electric wheelchair, and tried to understand the joys of a desktop computer in the early 1990s. He died in 1993 so did not really live to see these technologies. He would joke that he wished he could invent a robot to take care of some of his daily needs as he became less mobile. That is what our Assistive Technology Program, a portion of our Innovative Technology Strategy, aims to accomplish. Helping Hands: Monkey Helpers to make it possible for everyone to participate, if they want, in today’s world.

Join us on April 6 for a monkey bath!

Would you like to see the wonderful tricks our monkeys can do? Join us for a monkey bath! We will have the opportunity to ask questions of an expert present from the Boston Zoological Park. All proceeds from the event will go to support the New England Primate Conservation. If you are interested in other naming opportunities at The Monkey Living Center, please email juliet@monkeyhelpers.org.

Birthday Round-up at the Monkey Living Center!

Please join us in wishing our monkeys who were born in March a very Happy Birthday Round-up at the Monkey Living Center! Join us on April 6, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. to help celebrate my father’s birthday! We will have the opportunity to ask questions of an expert and see some wonderful tricks performed by our monkeys. We will also be celebrating our sweet monkeys who were born in March.

If you are interested in other naming opportunities at The Monkey Living Center, please email juliet@monkeyhelpers.org.

Join the Helping Hands Development Committee!

Join the Helping Hands Development Committee! We are actively seeking candidates interested in fundraising to work alongside senior staff, volunteers, and board members on our Development Committee. Specifically, we are looking for people who have fundraising, marketing, and/or event planning skills and are willing to reach out to introduce us to potential donors/funders. We were so honored this month to dedicate another play space here at the Monkey Living Center. We were so touched when they wanted to name one of our new spaces - you can see the monkeys really love playing in the Ingrid & John Robechek! If you are interested in other naming opportunities at The Monkey Living Center, please email juliet@monkeyhelpers.org.

SAVE THE DATE for a special online event on March 26, 2022!

Do you know you can make a gift in honor of anyone’s birthday? Join us on March 26, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. to help celebrate the birthday of Tucker, Marty, and CJ! We will feature a birthday party for the three of them while our special guest soaks in the tub. Tune in at www.monkeyhelpers.org/live to see the fun proceed. If you are interested in other naming opportunities at The Monkey Living Center, please email juliet@monkeyhelpers.org.