



Brooklyn's Early Childhood Program for All Learners 1723 Eighth Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11215 • Phone (718) 290-2700 • Fax (718) 290-2800 www.tlckids.org

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Dear TLC Community and Friends,

For thirty years, Therapy and Learning Center (TLC) has provided the finest quality educational and clinical services to a diverse group of Brooklyn's children with developmental, physical, medical and linguistic needs. Its reputation has been unsurpassed in the field of preschool special services due to the collaborative, professional spirit of our students, families, staff and administrators.

This spirit has never been more evident than in the past few year as we all faced uncharted circumstances due to the pandemic in our lives. Everyone in the TLC family worked tirelessly to provide the best possible services for our students. Bravo to everyone who worked together to provide support to our children and families via remote/hybrid learning. Now we have faced even greater challenges as our program has reopened with students and staff working "in person".

TLC has incurred extensive expenses to assure the health and safety of all our students, families and staff. They include, but are not limited to, building renovations and sanitary procedures which may be reimbursed eventually by governmental funding, but also a wide range of extraordinary programmatic expenses beyond our control and reimbursement. All these are certainly affecting our overall budgeting, cash flow and operating expenses. It is therefore, for that reason that we are reaching out to you for your continued support of TLC students.

Our appeal will hopefully be wide ranging and successful as our previously planned fund-raising efforts had to be postponed, negatively compromising our fiscal efforts. We are reaching out to everyone in our TLC family: our Board of Directors, all our business associates, as well as our community contacts.

Your voluntary participation in this fundraising effort will be most appreciated. We certainly acknowledge and understand that many of you have been negatively impacted, both financially and emotionally by recent events. However, we ask you to consider helping our students in whatever way you can as well as extending our appeal to your own families, friends, neighbors and business associates for their potential donation.

All donations, large or small, will be most welcome. Our current goal is to raise between fifteen and twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25K) in the next few months to help defray our extraordinary current and ongoing expenses.

As a government approved, tax exempt, not for profit organization, TLC will promptly forward to each donor a receipt outlining their participation in this fundraising effort.

All contributions can now be easily made by directly accessing the TLC website at https://www.tlckids.org/us/donate or via direct mail (payable to Therapy and Learning Center) forwarded directly to:

Therapy and Learning Center
1723 Eighth Avenue

Brooklyn, NY 11215

Attention: Karen Arkin, Executive Director

You may also expedite donations to TLC by utilizing Amazon smile for all your Amazon purchases/deliveries by designating "Therapy and Learning Center, Brooklyn, NY" as your charity. This is another easy way for you, your family and friends to support our program.

Thank you, in advance, for your consideration and support of Therapy and Learning Center.

Most gratefully and sincerely,

James J. Mara, M.S., P.D.

President, TLC Board of Directors

Karen Griffoul Arkin, LMSW, SBL

Executive Director, TLC