



### Greetings from the Executive Director

We know that you are bombarded with messaging from so many sources, asking you for many things including your support. This year especially you may be getting emails, texts, and phone calls all asking for your contribution for a candidate or a specific worthy cause. So, when I write that we are closing out September and coming to the end of our [Matching Gift Challenge](#) and we need your support to reach our increased (\$25,000) goal—I know that I am both asking a lot and competing with many other organizations. However, I truly believe that no matter who has contacted you recently none are quite as unique or trying to tackle two extremely important undertakings like we are doing.

Today I want to discuss one of our undertakings—our older monkeys. Our capuchins will always be the legacy of Helping Hands: Monkey Helpers. Our guiding light, as we move into providing services through innovative technology, will always be the capuchins who cared for so many adults around the country.

As you know, the [September challenge](#) supports all our monkeys, both post-service and in-service. These capuchins were partners to those living with mobility impairments for many years. Now in their older adult years, these monkeys need our support and care. We hope you will consider supporting with a [one-time gift](#) or through our [Adopt a Monkey](#) program.



Diane S. Nahabedian  
Executive Director



### November Lectures

We are trying something slightly different in November, and we hope you will join us. We are offering two Zoom lecture events. Both are free—just sign up!

#### Wednesday, November 2, 6pm



Join Dr. Taskin Padir for Explorations in Experiential Robotics.

In this talk, we will go over the four pillars of experiential robotics and discuss challenges and opportunities for research in achieving seamless human-robot teaming. The talk will highlight our prior and ongoing research projects on collaborative robotics in the home and workplace. Systems, and methods will be presented in deformable object manipulation, prosthetic hand control, humanoid robotics, and collaborative robotics.

[Learn More](#)

#### Wednesday November 9, 6pm



Journey through the Faces of the Rainforest with **Louis Perrotti**, director of conservation programs at the Rhode Island Zoological Society/Roger Williams Park Zoo.

Join Perrotti as he examines the biodiversity and fragility of the Amazon Rainforest and what he and the Roger Williams Park Zoo are doing to help the rainforest and the indigenous communities that live there to survive. He will also give us all helpful ideas on ways we can assist in saving the rainforest and the species that live within—including the capuchin monkey.

[Learn More](#)

Both discussions will help support the work of Helping Hands: Monkey Helpers as we pursue the benefits of innovative technologies to assist those living with physical disabilities and support our post-service monkeys.

### September Birthdays at the Monkey Living Center!

Join us in wishing our two birthday girls, Dorothy and Penny a VERY Happy Birthday!

*Did you know you can make a gift in honor of any occasion? Birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, and in memory gifts*

[Learn more](#)



Dorothy

Happy  
BIRTHDAY!



Penny

### EXCITING NEWS! You are making a difference!

We cannot thank you enough for answering our call this month! You have already helped us exceed our \$15,000 goal for the challenge—now generous friends have stepped up to **increase the match amount to \$25,000!**

If we can raise **\$25,000 by September 30**, it will be **MATCHED**, dollar for dollar.

Your generosity makes **TWICE** the **IMPACT** for your favorite monkeys!

Be sure to read the stories on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram and get to know Kukla, Kyla, and all our sweet post-service monkeys.

**There is still time to DOUBLE YOUR IMPACT—Join us today!**

[Make a Gift](#)

