



### a message from **OUR CEO**

As you may have heard, IDHS is once again extending the date that our day program services must remain closed. The original date was supposed to be September but after backlash from guardians and providers like EP!C, we have been granted a soft opening on August, 3rd.

Our staff has worked tirelessly to get our Townline facility ready for services including, but not limited to, directional signage, professional cleaning, personal dividers, and additional personal protective equipment. EP!C DSP staff have been working with individuals in our residential programs to get them acclimated to wearing masks, social distancing, and increased personal hygiene. We are ready to welcome people back into our building again and we know the people we support are in need of coming back to work and to having their routines again.

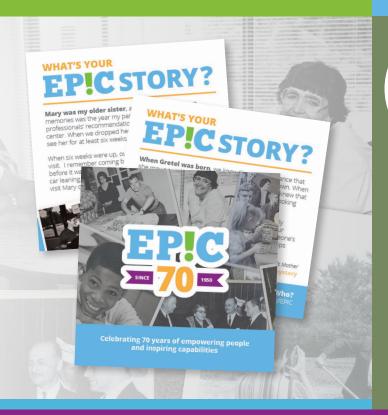
On a more positive note, we can't thank those enough for participating in our Bon Appétit LIVE event on June 11th. We went from planning a culinary event for 550 people to hosting a virtual evening with over 1,000 supporters tuning in. With the end of our fiscal year approaching it was imperative we host our signature event before June 30th. While we didn't raise as much as we would have with a physical event, the outpouring of support was overwhelming! If you missed the event, you can watch it anytime from our YouTube channel. If you would like to make a contribution, donations are still being accepted at **EPICci.org/donate** – just select Bon Appétit Post-Event when making your gift.

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Celebrating 70 years of empowering people and inspiring capabilities. Discover personal testimonials that help tell the story of EP!C.

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### BON APPÉTIT 2020



PRESENTING Advanced Medical - Transport of Central Illinois Two Brothers UnityPoint Health - Methodist / Proctor

PLATINUM Associated Bank

DIAMOND Cullinan Properties, Ltd. Hediger & Meyers

**EMERALD** Architectural Design Group **Busey Bank** 

EP!C

#### CityLink Clifton Larson Allen Davis & Campbell, L.L.C. G&D Integrated Health Staff Kuhl Insurance Maui lim McMahill & Sons Mike & Natalie Unes **MUIR Omni Graphics** Par-A-Dice Hotel Casino Pekin Insurance Professional Benefit - Administrators

Thanks you

**EMERALD**, Continued

Heinold Banwart, Ltd.

Professional Therapy

OSF HealthCare

-Services, Inc

VoiceSpring

RUBY

CEFCU

#### 1913 W. TOWNLINE ROAD PEORIA, IL 61615 PHONE: 309.691.3800

### **KIM CORNWELL**



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# FOR SUPPORTING OUR VIRTUAL EVENT WHICH RAISED CRITICAL FUNDING FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES.

#### **RUBY**, Continued

**River City Construction** Simantel The Grid Group Unland Companies

#### SAPPHIRE

**Bard Optical** Caterpillar, Inc. Farnsworth Group Heights Finance Corporation Hilltop Wealth Management - of Raymond James IT360 Kouri's Pub Lariat Steakhouse Mutual of America - Financial Group Preckshot Compounding - Pharmacy RSM US LLF Technicraft The Center for Health - Ambulatory Surgery Center, LLC

#### **SAPPHIRE**, Continued

Uftring Auto Group Vonachen Services, Inc.

#### PEARL

**Eurest Dining Services** F&M Bank Illinois Automobile - Dealers Association Keith Boswell - Services, Inc.

#### **IN-KIND**

**Bremer Jewelry** GP Miller Floral Jenna Kathleen Portraits Peoria Marriott - Pere Marguette Pita's Mediterranean - Wraps **RK Dixon** WMBD

#### EPICCI.ORG - JULY/AUG 2020 NEWSLETTER

### **EP!C MISSION AND VISION**



during Bon Appétit LIVE

### upcoming **EVENTS**

EP!C **GOLF OUTING** ULY 20<sup>TH</sup> 9:30 AM

## **EP!C** NIGHT AT THE **BALLPARK** CANCELED

EPIC JOB FAIR

### EP!C 70TH **BIRTHDAY BASH**

POSTPONED **DATE TBD** 

### 70k for **70 YEARS**



### VE'RE **GOING DIGITAL**

#### Our newsletter is now going digital.

If you receive a physical copy we encourage you to sign up with an email to receive our bimonthly newsletter electronically. Otherwise the physical newsletter will only be produced quarterly.

Sign up today and receive information about EP!C right on your computer, tablet or mobile device. **EPICci.org/**subscribe



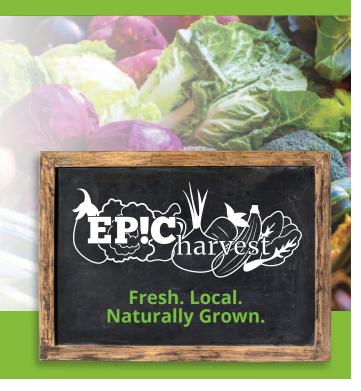
### HARVEST CSA

### **FEED YOUR FAMILY & YOUR SOUL**

Our Harvest garden is growing. Now is the time to sign up for a CSA share this season. We have options that fit your family or business with a full share consisting of a pick-up every week for roughly 16 weeks, or a half share with pickup every other week. You will receive fresh, local, naturally grown produce harvested days or hours before you take them home.

Skip the store and register for your CSA share today at **EPICci.square.site** 

Pickup days are **Tuesdays 2:00-6:00 PM** or Saturdays 8:00 AM-Noon.



### EPIC FUNDING

Earlier this year we were one of only 17 organizations across the nation to receive a grant from the Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation. With that funding, we were able to purchase four accessible bikes that arrived just before we had to shut down our offices. Two are side-by-side where both can pedal/steer and two that are tandem with a wheelchair seat attachment in the front.

During this pandemic, our Activities Coordinator, Angie has put in over 121 hours of riding to keep people active and entertained. She gets daily requests to go on a ride and for some, it's been a great incentive for not only a healthier lifestyle but rewards for good behavior.

We can't wait to come back and be more active while allowing everyone to have the independence and experience of riding a bike.



#### PEORIA **WINGFEST**

**OCT 4TH** 1:00 - 5:00 PM

Festival Park

### **HARVEST POP-UP**

SATURDAYS 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM



# EPIC JOB FAIR 1913 W. Townline Road Peoria, IL 61615

#### Wednesday, August 19th 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Life is short – enjoy where you work! Receive paid training with over \$12/Hour wages. Apply inperson with on-the-spot interviews, or apply now at EPICci.org

Attendees will be required to follow COVID protocol; please bring a mask.

