

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

**KIM CORNWELL**  
EPIC CEO



EPIC (formerly PARC) is very proud and thankful to our founding parents, families, advocates, and community leaders who believed that people with intellectual and developmental disabilities could have a career, live with minimal support or independently in the community, and have a full and meaningful life.

After 70 years, we continue to partner with our families, advocates, community, and business leaders to provide education, training, coaching, residential and other supports so people with disabilities can work, volunteer, and get involved in their communities.

Some of our successes over the past year are that we've partnered with over 37 different employers to employ people with disabilities, and 60 Host Home Providers contract with us to provide the opportunity for people with disabilities to live in a private home rather than a group home environment.

As the needs and interests of people change, so will our programs. For 70 years we've been proud to be an innovative and adaptive asset to the areas we serve. We have decided to extend the commemoration of EPIC's mission and our 70th anniversary through this next year. We invite you to follow along and celebrate with us into 2021.

## ! POINSETTIAS **SALE**

### POINSETTIAS SALE

READY THE FIRST WEEK  
OF DECEMBER

Shop Online at  
[EPICci.square.site](http://EPICci.square.site)

\*NOT EVERY COLOR AVAILABLE IN EVERY SIZE

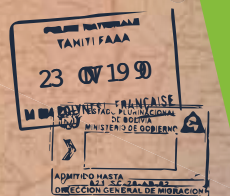


## ! BON **APPÉTIT 2021**



### Save the Date **March 25, 2021**

Get ready for a **Hybrid Bon Appétit Event** featuring delicious dishes that'll take you around the world, as we celebrate 10 years of raising funds to empower and inspire people with disabilities.





# EPIC MISSION AND VISION

At EPIC we enrich the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. We envision a world where people with disabilities are respected, engaged in their communities, and have every opportunity to achieve their personal best.



Celebrating EPIC's History with throwback posts every week!

## ! upcoming EVENTS

### TINSEL THE TOWN (HOLIDAY SHOPPING)

NOV 20<sup>TH</sup> | 5 - 9 PM  
NOV 21<sup>ST</sup> | 10 AM - 2 PM

Par-A-Dice Hotel Casino

### HOLIDAY POP-UP

HOURS VARY

EPIC Store at the Shoppes  
at Grand Prairie

### WINTER CLASSES

FEB 8<sup>TH</sup>

Virtually

### BON APPÉTIT HYBRID EVENT

MARCH 25<sup>TH</sup>

Peoria Marriott Pere  
Marquette & Virtually

### PEORIA WINGFEST

POSTPONED TO  
JUNE 6<sup>TH</sup>

Festival Park

Be sure to follow us on social media or check our website to stay up-to-date on new and changing events.

## ! GIVING TUESDAY

This Giving Tuesday we challenge you to help us raise \$70,000 in celebration of our 70 years of service.

Create your own Giving Tuesday fundraiser on Facebook today!

#EPIC70kChallenge  
#GivingTuesday

\$70k for 70 years

Celebrate with Us!



## ! EPIC NEWS

### Our newsletter is now going digital.

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

Sign up today and receive information about EPIC right on your computer, tablet or mobile device.

[EPICCi.org/subscribe](https://epicci.org/subscribe)



## ! EPIC THROWBACK

### We've been part of EPIC stories for the last 70 years.

Follow our social media platforms to experience EPIC's history each week. You never know who will be featured.

#ThrowbackThursday



## ! GIVING TREE

The Giving Tree program provides an opportunity for both EPIC staff and community members to purchase gifts for EPIC participants who would not normally receive a gift during the holidays.

Consider "adopting" an individual or house this season.

Gifts can be dropped off to EPIC at 1913 W. Townline Rd. until **December 18th**.

For more information contact 309-689-3611 or **Megan Williams** at [mwilliams@epicci.org](mailto:mwilliams@epicci.org)



## WHY I GIVE



Scan the QR Code to Watch "The Value of Hiring Someone from EPIC"

Hover your smart device camera over the QR Code or visit [Youtube.com/EPICPeoria](https://Youtube.com/EPICPeoria)

