MESSAGE FROM ERIN STAUDER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

60 years ago, Gateway first opened its doors to serve the Baltimore community. Since then over 2,500 students have passed through our classrooms on their educational journey. As we reach such an incredible milestone in our history, I am blown away by how far Gateway has come and the ambitious plans we have moving forward!

This fall we have a series of events that reflect the many faces of HASA! In just a few weeks, our Silent Disco offers an absolutely unforgettable experience that I can’t wait to try myself! In November, A Very MOD Affair celebrates 60 years of excellence in Gateway School. ASL Storytelling rounds out our calendar of fall events. ASL Storytelling is a rich cultural tradition in the Deaf community, and we at HASA are so excited for our FOUR ASL Storytelling events this year!

Thank you for your support of HASA and all the work we do. We could not possibly make a difference without you, and I hope to see you at one of our exciting fall events to express my thanks in person!

#HustleforHASA
Do you love to run? Meet friends? Celebrate communication? You can #HustleforHASA through fundraising, advocacy, or social sharing projects. Our first group fundraiser is the Across the Bay 10K on November 5. To join, email lalbers@hasa.org.

Fall ASL Events
It’s going to be a busy autumn season! ASL classes, an ASL Storytelling session (October 5) and a Silent Disco event (September 15) are all in store as we gear up for Deaf Awareness Week at the end of September. Learn more about our events at hasa.org.

Hearing Aid Legislation
On August 18, The president signed landmark over-the-counter hearing aid legislation into law. To read HASA’s take on this legislation and our views on how it might affect access to communication and the affordability of devices, visit hasa.org/otchearingaids.

GIVING
Your generosity is greatly appreciated by the 4,000 infants, children and adults served by HASA each year. Please consider supporting our work through:

check • credit card • recurring gift • memorial/honor gift • gift-in-kind • matching gift from your company • endowment gift • online donation • will/bequest • gift of stock

All contributions are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. For more information, contact Tammy Black, Director of Development & Communications, at 410-318-6780 or tblack@hasa.org.
HASA’s FIRST FRANCES SCHOLARSHIP WINNER GRADUATES!

When you meet Chris, you’d never guess that this handsome, unassuming pre-teen inspired HASA’s largest gift in its history, a gift that established an endowment that has grown by more than $200,000 since its inception.

Before coming to Gateway, Chris attended five different schools in just six years; none of them met his needs or addressed his family’s long-term concerns about his progress. Chris was getting by in public school, but he wasn’t equipped with the tools that he needed to thrive, develop, and grow.

Chris started attending Gateway in 2013 and immediately, he and his family felt right at home. Once HASA’s Board met Chris and his family, they were inspired to figure out a way to help more kids just like Chris.

An anonymous donor contributed the initial funds for the Frances Scholarship Endowment Fund in 2015. That first year, there were enough funds to help only one student: Chris. In fact, he was the lone scholarship recipient until his graduation from Gateway. This fall, he’ll begin middle school in New Jersey, where he’s recently moved with his family. This year, the fund will provide scholarships to four students.

If you’d like to learn more about the fund or how you can help, call 410.318.6780 or email tblack@hasa.org.

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