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Capital Campaign update for the AbilityFirst Long Beach and Lawrence L. Frank Centers

August 2020

Dear Friends,

Despite today's challenges, our capital campaign for planned renovations at the AbilityFirst Centers in Long Beach and Pasadena is moving forward. In fact, the campaign is more important today than ever. When completed, the centers will become **flagship locations in their respective communities providing up-todate facilities for our changing programs.**





Richard R. Frank Co-Chair

Thanks to your support, we have raised 77% of our \$5.9 million goal. A recent generous gift from The Ahmanson Foundation helps push our project towards completion. We are happy to announce that construction will begin in two phases, with Pasadena starting in August 2020 and Long Beach to follow in 2021. Since the work at the Lawrence L Frank Center is a little less complicated and permitting is further along, it's a logical location to start while plans and funding continue to develop in Long Beach.

In the architect's rendering below you can see floor plans for the Long Beach Center showing space for new programs and an expanded teaching kitchen where children and adults can learn important skills and practice safe food handling and meal planning. Our swimmers will benefit from a completely renovated swimming area and our Supported Employment program participants will thrive in this updated space. We are so excited for the possibilities before us.

Thank you for your support! We will continue to keep you updated as our campaign progresses.

Thank you, Gloria and Richard



Long Beach Center, Architectural Rendering

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