

Dear Friends.

We are thrilled to bring Compassion Café, a nonprofit organization providing meaningful, paid employment for teens and adults with special needs, to Long Beach Island, New Jersey. Opening spring 2021, Compassion Café will offer part-time summer employment to adolescent and adults with disabilities in a small, coffee shop setting, while partnering with local business.

How can you help?

Visit us early and often to see our extraordinary staff in action! This year, our café will be located at 309 Centre Street in Beach Haven, NJ, where we're being generously hosted by Barry and Nicole Baxter of Barry's Do Me A Flavor—a popular lunch, dinner and ice cream destination. We will be open Mondays through Thursdays from 7:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. for hot and iced coffee, tea, lite breakfast fare, and dog bakery items (homemade by our staff!).

Become a Compassion Café sponsor and help support our inaugural season! Donations provide the café with everything needed to facilitate a real restaurant setting: ordering food, aprons, sanitation, advertising, and much more! But the majority of donations go directly to funding payroll for our staff of adolescents and adults with disabilities. Our mission's objective includes a goal of offering employment to all who seek it, and to provide joy, purpose and a meaningful experience to our staff members. With this, we estimate wages for each part-time employee to be \$1,500 for the season—and we need your help!

We are offering three levels of sponsorship in support of our mission:

Starfish: \$5,000 and above

Sand Dollar: \$2,500

Sea Glass: \$1,500

All sponsors will receive recognition on our printed in-café menus and website.

If you are considering becoming a sponsor, or would like more information, please email us at compassioncafelbi@gmail.com or talk to any of our Board of Trustee members.

We are beyond grateful for your consideration of becoming part of our Compassion Café Club, and the role you can play in creating positive experiences for our employees and their families.

With love and believing in possibilities for all,

Sue Sharkey & Erin Sharkey Co-founders