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ECE[®] Aid Newsletter

A charitable initiative developed to provide free evaluation reports for vulnerable and displaced populations.

Dear Friends,

Happy Halloween! ECE loves this season because it's a tradition in our office to dress up in costumes for the holiday. Staffers, kids, pets, you name it... there's always a surprise around the corner. Plus, who doesn't like to snack on candy while typing up evaluation reports or answering all your questions about our services?

October is also a fairly busy season for conferences. You'll find more about this below as I think it's important to show how active we are as an organization. From providing insights in the profession of credential evaluation to assisting colleagues who are part of the greater international education community, ECE takes pride in being an industry leader.

Finally, as the end of the year approaches, I provide some numbers for you about the successes of ECE[®] Aid in 2022 so far, as well as what support is still needed for our

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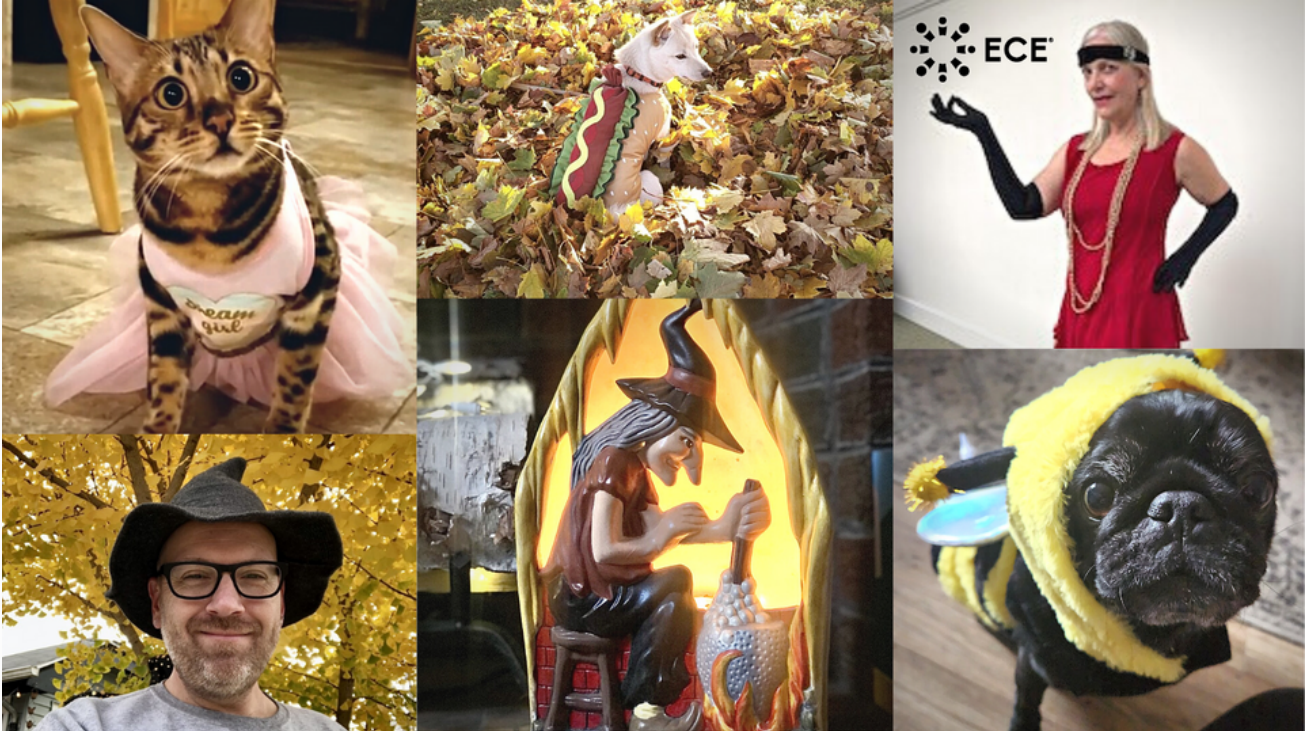
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eligible fee waiver recipients. With your help, we can continue to provide assistance to refugees and other displaced folks from around the world.

See you in November!



Unlock the Knowledge

Traditionally, autumn is a busy conference season in international education, and ECE delights in spreading the word about the good work we do every day.

This October we sent representatives to attend and present at conferences in Albany, NY; Corpus Christi, TX; Minneapolis, MN; Glasgow, Scotland; and of course, in our very own Milwaukee, WI.

Conferences are a great way for ECE to showcase our expertise as well as share the knowledge and importance of credential evaluation. ECE presentation topics this year ranged from what credential evaluations are to challenges we face as evaluators as well as challenges our clients encounter while obtaining correct documentation.

You can probably guess that ECE® Aid is always a big topic that international educators like to know more about. And this October was no different. Within a matter of weeks, new organizations and higher education institutes were emailing me about becoming participants of ECE® Aid and sending referrals for fee waivers.

With more participants comes more referrals, and with more referrals comes more need for funding and donations (I know, it's not the funnest thing to talk about).

Which brings me to...



Views from NAFSA Region V conference in Milwaukee, WI

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We know there are so many causes to support as the end of the year approaches. In an effort to continue to keep our valued donors like you aware of what we use your crucial donations for, here are some exciting numbers:

- For 2022, we have reached almost 90 completed credential evaluations, so far.
- Almost half of the completed evaluations this year were donated by ECE for emergency response efforts.
- In total, ECE® Aid has provided close to 675 free credential evaluations since 2016.

With the good numbers, we must also look at the not so great news. During the ongoing COVID pandemic our donations have dropped off a bit. There are about 60 people on our waiting list that are patiently looking forward to their turn for a fee waiver. We also have quite a few folks waiting for emergency funds from Afghanistan and Ukraine.

And here's where I have something very important that I'd like to ask you:

Do you work for an organization or corporation that looks for philanthropic ways to donate money to worthy causes?

If you think your employer would be interested in a year-end gift, a matching donation, or other way to assist us through a corporate responsibility program, please have a representative get in touch with me. [Simply click here.](#)

I would love to speak with representatives about how we can create a partnership that works for both of us, and ultimately, for those we serve through ECE® Aid.

As we are quickly approaching the end of 2022, let's find ways to work together to assist as many people as possible.

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