Dear Friends,

Happy New Year! We've made it to 2022! My hope is that you feel a sense of renewed energy and enthusiasm for the upcoming year. We've got some exciting plans for ECE® Aid this year and I can't wait to share them with you in upcoming newsletters. But first, I think it's useful to look back and consider this past year.

Below you'll find information on the 2021 ECE® Aid Annual Report. As a supporter of ECE® Aid, please take a moment to read over the report. You'll find information about where your donor dollars have gone and those who were assisted this past year. I welcome you to take a moment to reflect on the accomplishments and impact we've made together. I hope you enjoy the report and that it will inspire you to continue to support our mission at ECE, as well as take pride in how you've contributed to making a person's educational and/or professional aspirations a reality.
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From Afghanistan to Zimbabwe, we were able to assist folks from 33 different countries in 2021. Though we didn't reach our fundraising goal, a total of 119 individuals still received an ECE® Aid fee waiver. Additionally, our Healthcare Response and Afghanistan Emergency Response were both implemented to assist with the U.S. healthcare system as well as the emergency situation that occurred in Afghanistan. You will also read about Nigerian ECE® Aid recipient Victor and his path to the U.S. education system.

At times the continuing pandemic and the news cycle from 2021 may have exhausted you, frustrated or saddened you, scared you, or even contributed to feelings of monotony and boredom. However, as Margit Schatzman, ECE® President, asks in this year's report, "How do we harness these natural human reactions and transform them into something positive and productive?" Supporting ECE® Aid is one small answer to this question. Ultimately, it is participating organizations and supporters like you that make this all work. As Margit states, "We share our energy and our hope with you." I couldn't agree more.

I wish you a healthy and safe 2022!

With gratitude,

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