

ERIN'S HOPE

FOR FRIENDS

NATIONAL OFFICE

ERIN'S HOPE FOR FRIENDS IS ON A MISSION TO CREATE LASTING RELATIONSHIPS THROUGH JOYFUL INTERACTIONS FOR AUTISM SPECTRUM TEENS AND YOUNG ADULTS.

VISION:

TO FUNDAMENTALLY CHANGE THE LIVES OF OUR MEMBERS BY PROVIDING A SAFE, LOVING, AND FUN PLACE FOR THEM TO CONNECT WITH OTHERS, BUILD RELATIONSHIPS AND HAVE FUN. WE DESIRE TO SCALE E'S CLUB TO NEW LOCATIONS, EVENTUALLY SERVING THE ENTIRE POPULATION OF LEVEL-ONE AUTISTIC TEENS AND YOUNG ADULTS GLOBALLY. BY OUR 10-YEAR ANNIVERSARY IN 2026, OUR GOAL IS TO OPEN 10 NEW E'S CLUB LOCATIONS.

Values

- **Anti-bullying:** We believe in proactive prevention of bullying through safe, social environments.
- **Awareness:** We believe in fostering awareness and providing educational opportunities for both our neuro-typical and neuro-atypical populations.
- **Lasting friendships:** We believe just one friendship can change the course of one's life.
- **Acceptance:** We believe in the promotion of the acceptance of all individuals.

Whom We Serve

We serve level 1 autistic teens and young adults ages 12-24, with our programs expanding to members age 32 within the next year. Our in-person programs are available in the Atlanta metro area, while our virtual programs are accessible to members nationwide.

What We Do

We provide a safe environment where our members can meet, hang out and make friends. We have organized low-stress activities to help foster social interaction. It's about creating an environment where they can be comfortable, be themselves, make friends, and hopefully feel normal.

Your Dollars at Work!

-  A brand-new, 3,000 square-foot, dedicated facility in metro-Atlanta filled with games, activities, and social experiences
-  In-person and Virtual programming for teens and young adults, with more than 500 contact hours available per member
-  e's Essentials life skills programming in a social environment, including curriculum centered on anti-bullying and dating
-  Small group sessions fostering interests including gaming, book club, Lego brick building, outings, and more
-  More than 1500 served since 2016