

From the Desk of Dan:

Happy New Year from REACH, Inc.!

It's officially Permanent Fund Dividend (PFD) season! You have until March 31 to file your PFD and when you do, don't forget to Pick.Click.Give.! More details about how you can Pick.Click.Give. (P.C.G.) are included later in this newsletter. We'll be actively fundraising through P.C.G. this year so we can enhance our services that we offer to the individuals we support.



As always, we thank the individuals we support and their families for the trust they place in REACH to provide them with the essential services they rely on.

Sincerely,

Dan Elstad Executive Director

Infant Learning Program Update:

REACH's Infant Learning Program (ILP) has been busy creating new ways to engage with their clients and their families. Every Monday from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. ILP hosts a Parenting Connection Group at the REACH headquarters in downtown Juneau. Parents can come together to talk about the ups and downs of parenthood, meet other local parents, learn about development and more. Children ages newborn to three are welcome. Parking is available in the REACH parking lot on 3rd Street, directly across from the front doors of the REACH building.





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Employee Anniversaries:

We're so proud of the people who work at REACH, and their hard work does not go unnoticed! Please join us in celebrating the following employee anniversaries for the month of January:

Kelsey Claassen – 1 year Tirso Galamay – 5 years Tim Wilson – 6 years Carol Schaake – 6 years Caroline Levale – 8 years Rudy Lumba – 15 years Anne Eichorst – 18 years Angelito Francisco – 26 years

Pick.Click.Give.:

REACH is an official Pick.Click.Give. nonprofit. Be sure to file for your Permanent Fund Dividend by March 31. Following your online application, you'll be asked to participate in Pick.Click.Give. Select REACH from the list of eligible nonprofits and charities. You can donate a portion of your PFD, in \$25 increments. You have until August 31 to give and adjust the donation amount. Funds from Pick.Click.Give. allow us to enhance our specialized services to children, adults, and their families impacted by intellectual and developmental disabilities.



Key Coalition of Alaska:

The Key Coalition of Alaska is a non-profit, statewide advocacy group made up of people with disabilities and their families, friends, and organizational partners such as the Alaska Association on Developmental Disabilities (AADD), Peer Power of Alaska, and the Alaska Alliance of Direct Support Professionals. Since its beginning in 1988, the goal of the Key Coalition has been to advocate for community-based services for people with disabilities and their families. Follow their Facebook page for important advocacy updates at facebook.com/keycoalitionofalaska. We look forward to their advocacy event this spring during the 2024 legislative session.

