



A LETTER FROM BACOA'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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Dear Bacoa Stakeholders,

As Bacoa's Executive Director, I know it's never too soon to start thinking about aging. This past year, I've seen so many situations with adults, caregivers, and families of all ages that immensely benefited from Bacoa's programs and services. Whether it was the caregiver who found respite by enrolling her husband with early-onset Alzheimer's Disease in our 'A Day Out' Adult Day program, the grandmother who relied on our Meals with Wheels program to deliver food to her and her grandchildren, or the individual unable to drive who relied on Bacoa for transportation to their doctor's appointments, Bacoa has proven time and time again that we go above and beyond for our clients.

As I have reflected on my nearly five years as Bacoa's Executive Director, I noticed that the number of individuals we have served over that time has increased by 86%. Our community is aging at a rapid pace thanks to baby boomers, and Bacoa is poised to meet the increasing needs of our population. We are constantly researching new programs and services that will appeal and suit our aging adults and we're excited about what the future will bring.

Our Events Calendar is being constantly updated to welcome more individuals into Bacoa's community of belonging and support. I am thrilled that we will be welcoming world-renowned dementia educator Teepa Snow on World Alzheimer's Day, September 21, 2023. We are also continuing to offer a "Dementia Live" experience to the community, which is a high-impact simulation experience, intended to provide a deeper understanding of dementia. Thanks to your ongoing support, Bacoa has been able to offer many new educational events, programs, and supportive services than ever before.

Our commitment to redefining aging has allowed us to make tangible differences in the lives of countless older adults, families, and caregivers in our community. Our passion, expertise, and unwavering dedication to our clients has been instrumental in Bacoa's continued success. I want to extend my deepest gratitude to each and every one of you for your incredible support.

Best Regards,

Terri Channer

Terri Channer, Bacoa Executive Director