VISION
A world where people of all abilities are fully accepted, respected and included

MISSION
Empower people with special needs to achieve their full potential through innovative, inclusive programs and community partnerships

VALUES

PEOPLE FIRST
Everything we do is centered on the people we serve

COLLABORATION
Our impact is strengthened by teamwork, trust and community partnerships

INCLUSION
We champion and promote universal inclusion

DEDICATION
We are passionately committed to those we serve

INNOVATION
We innovate and adapt to deliver the highest quality services

COMMUNITY
We create communities of support for individuals with special needs and their families
**Who We Serve**

The individuals Gatepath serves represent the ethnic diversity of San Mateo County. We have recently increased support services for Spanish-speaking families and continue to expand our reach, especially in areas that are typically underserved.

- Hispanic (34%)
- Caucasian (32%)
- Asian (20%)
- African American (4%)
- Pacific Islander (1%)
- Other (10%)

3 out of 4 individuals receiving direct services are under the age of 18

13,000+ people reached

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**What We Do**

Gatepath’s array of programs meet the evolving needs of people with special needs and developmental disabilities at all ages and stages:

- Developmental screenings and care coordination
- Early Intervention services
- Early childhood development classes with parent participation
- Speech-language, physical and occupational therapy for children
- Assistive technology library
- Inclusive preschools
- Life skills and enrichment classes
- Social, recreational and wellness activities for teens and adults
- Job training and placement
- Family support groups
- Parenting workshops
Shermae is building important work skills, such as teamwork and communication, so she can get a job on her own. She currently works at Café Bon Appétit at Electronic Arts. In fall 2015, Bon Appétit worked with Gatepath to turn a full-time job opening for one individual into a group employment opportunity for eight people, so more Gatepath trainees could benefit. Each person works part-time at the café to increase their vocational skills and engages in valuable life skills training during the remainder of the day. This model is new to Gatepath’s innovative services that are designed to meet the unique needs and interests of those we serve.

One of Shermae’s favorite aspects of working at the café (besides the free food!) is how much she learns every day. Her job duties have expanded from washing dishes, maintaining cafeteria food trays and recycling to include organizing produce, stocking shelves, assisting the chef with food prep, and maintaining a clean kitchen. After a part-time work shift, she returns to Gatepath to learn life skills, such as money management, navigating public transportation, and self-advocacy.

Shermae says earning a paycheck makes her feel proud of herself, especially when she saves her money for special occasions. “I want a brighter future,” Shermae says, “I have a positive attitude, and Bon Appétit believes in me.” The collaboration between Gatepath and Bon Appétit is a true testament to the power of innovation, collaboration and inclusion.

19% increase in adults participating in our Community Access program, which offers learning and inclusion through daily community-based activities

40% of Community Access program time is spent volunteering in the community to strengthen participants’ vocational skills

Launched new health and wellness programming, including cooking classes and art therapy for adults
COLLABORATION

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Thank you to our employment and community partners:

- A1 Solar Heating
- Abbott Vascular
- Abilities United
- Aerotek
- Agile Learning Labs
- AirServ
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- All In One Building Maintenance
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- Century Theatres
- Chatime
- Cheesecake Factory
- Child Care Coordinating Council
- Children’s Health Initiative
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- City of Daly City
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- Classic Party Rentals
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- Crystal Springs Golf Course
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- Doelger Center, City of Daly City
- Draeger’s Market Place
- Edgewood Center for Children and Families
- Electronic Arts
- Environmental Protection Agency
- Exploratorium
- Express Plumbing
- Fair Oaks Health Center
- Family Dog Rescue
- Family Housing and Adult Resources, Inc.
- First 5 San Mateo County
- First Presbyterian Church of San Mateo
- Fitness 19
- Flying Food Group
- Frank Howard Allen Realtors
- Gander and White
- Genentech
- Girls & Boys Club of the Peninsula
- Golden Gate Regional Center
- Golden State Warriors
- Goodwill
- Half Moon Bay Parks and Beaches
- Health Plan of San Mateo
- Hilton Garden Inn
- Home Depot
- Home Goods
- Hotel Sofitel
- Human Service Agency
- Institute for Human and Social Development
- Head Start/Early Head Start
- Ironsystems
- Jack in the Box
- Jacobs Farm
- Joyce Accounting Inc.
- JSI Logistics
- Juut Salon
- Kainos
- KFC
- Kid Chow LLC
- King Center, City of San Mateo
Selected by First 5 San Mateo County as the lead agency with 9 subcontractors for the countywide Watch Me Grow initiative to improve the system of care for children with special needs.

160+ employment and community partners

14,000 volunteer hours

66 years of partnership with the Gatepath Auxiliary

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Legal Aid Society
Life Steps Foundation
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YMCA of the Peninsula
Ethan was born with a variety of health issues and missed early milestones such as sitting up, rolling over and crawling. When he was 13 months old, Ethan’s parents decided to seek early intervention services at the advice of a close friend. Within four months of physical and occupational therapy services at Gatepath, Ethan started sitting up and crawling!

He responded incredibly well to the skilled therapists and teachers, who also helped his mom, Jennie, learn how to continue supporting Ethan’s development at home. “In addition to what they’ve done for Ethan,” Jennie remarks, “nothing compares to the care the teachers and Family Resource Center staff have given us as a family unit.”

Ethan has now “graduated” from early intervention and no longer requires ongoing therapy! Thanks to the supportive community they experienced at Gatepath, Jennie could only imagine Ethan moving on to one preschool: Gatepath’s Learning Links Preschool where children with and without special needs learn together in the same classrooms. Jennie tells us, “Not only does Ethan love it [t]here, but they see his potential. Thanks to Gatepath, Ethan has flourished!”

1,625 families and professionals received information and support through the Family Resource Center; 84% of parents increased their understanding of how to access services for their child with special needs.

26% increase in the number of children served through speech, occupational and physical therapy services.

Launched Little Explorers, an inclusive parent participation program for children ages 0-3.

Learning Links Preschool is recognized as a model of inclusion; 20% of students have special needs and 80% are typically developing.
DEDICATION
We are passionately committed to those we serve.

180
employees with an average of 25 training hours annually

1 in 4
employees has worked at Gatepath 5+ years

87%
of employees provide direct services

Advisory Council
Gatepath’s Advisory Council is comprised of dedicated volunteers, including former board members and community leaders, who provide strategic advice and support.

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Eric has been employed by Safeway for 14 years through Gatepath’s Employment Services program. He recently received a pin showing his tenure and proudly wears it on his uniform every day. He has even won Safeway’s World Class Service award for excellent customer service and work performance.

One of his strongest assets is his interest in helping people. While at work recently, he noticed a little girl who was outside the store by herself. Eric was concerned that she was alone and immediately brought her inside the store to find her father, who expressed his sincere gratitude, as did Eric’s supervisor and job coach.

Eric says working at Safeway for so many years is easy because he loves the work he does, finding joy every day in serving customers and making sure they have a great experience. He is already responsible for maintaining the 50% off section every Saturday and aspires to be a store manager one day.

* CARF International is an independent, nonprofit accreditor of health and human services organizations

Inclusion
We champion and promote universal inclusion.

180+ participants were employed in the community

3,765 hours of on-the-job support provided

140+ employment sites

Awarded three-year CARF accreditation renewal, which is the highest rating and demonstrates a program’s quality, transparency and commitment to the satisfaction of individuals served*
Total revenue increased by 15% over the prior fiscal year, primarily due to bequests. This allowed us to invest in our current programs by purchasing vehicles, facilities improvements, launching an art therapy curriculum for adults, improving staff compensation, and increasing community awareness. These investments are providing the foundation for expanded program offerings and greater community inclusion.

**PRIVATE SUPPORT IS CRITICAL TO OUR SUCCESS.**

Only half of program expenses are covered by public funding.
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Earlier this year, we embarked on fulfilling our vision to create a world where people of all abilities are fully accepted, respected and included. Ambitious and inspirational, this vision represents our hope for the future. At the core of our vision is our values, which uniquely define who we are as an organization and are at the heart of everything we do. Gatepath’s values are: People First, Collaboration, Inclusion, Dedication, Innovation and Community.

With this vision and these values as our guide, we made significant progress this past year for children and adults with special needs and developmental disabilities:

- We expanded access to speech, occupational and physical therapies, increasing the number of children served by 26%.
- We were selected by First 5 San Mateo County as the lead agency to implement a countywide initiative to improve the system of care for children with special needs.
- We expanded our health and wellness programming for adults to include art therapy and cooking classes.
- We launched a campaign to raise awareness for inclusion in our community.

Everyone deserves to pursue a life filled with joy, purpose and fulfillment. We extend our heartfelt appreciation to our donors, employment and community partners, volunteers, Gatepath Auxiliary, and our amazing staff, who help improve the lives of those we serve. Your compassionate and generous spirit fuels the work we do every day. Together, we are creating a world where people of all abilities are fully accepted, respected and included.

With gratitude,

Bryan Neider, CEO