### **Toward Maximum Independence**

An estimated 1 in 6 people are born with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities. Just like all of us, they are born with hopes, dreams and the drive to contribute to society. Toward Maximum Independence (TMI) is a nonprofit organization that has been dedicated to transforming the lives of children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities since 1981 and the Deaf and Hard of Hearing since 2000. The individuals we are privileged to serve deserve nothing less than love, acceptance and the opportunity to reach their full potential in life.

It is our mission to provide personalized services to those who require support, enabling them to make informed choices regarding how they live, work and function productively and independently in the community.

#### What We Believe

The three cornerstones of a strong foundation are: living as independently as possible, having the opportunity for real work for real pay, and a safe, caring home. We are honored to be able to help lay that foundation for our hundreds of clients throughout San Diego, Riverside and Imperial Counties..



Toward Maximum Independence, Inc. is a 501(c)3 nonprofit public benefit corporation.



**Call Us** (800) 877-5452

Email Us info@tmi-inc.org

Office Hours M-F 8:30 am-4:30 pm

> Website TMI-INC.ORG



**Connect With Us** 





# Evolution to **Independence**



# HELPING TO TAKE YOU TO THE NEXT LEVEL

Evolution to Independence (ETI), a division of Toward Maximum Independence, upholds the vision and mission to actively support and advocate for the rights of the deaf and hard of hearing (including all persons with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities), in obtaining and sustaining their positions in the workforce sector.

ETI's goal is to provide the 'NEXT LEVEL' of business and educational services for our clients. In keeping with the principles of the California Lanterman Act, the major emphasis of ETI's services will be 'Real World Ready' employment education that addresses the needs of individuals that are deaf and hard of hearing, have difficulty with the mental processing of information, as well as 'first language' communication needs.

## WHAT CAN ETI DO FOR YOU?

- AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETING FOR BUSINESS, STAFF, AND SUPERVISORY MEETINGS
- PERSONAL TRAINING FOR A
  RECOGNIZED TYPING CERTIFICATE
- PERSONAL TRAINING FOR A COUNTY APPROVED FOOD HANDLERS CERTIFICATE
- PERSONAL TRAINING FOR THE WRITTEN PORTION OF THE CALIFORNIA DMV DRIVING EXAM
- BASIC ENGLISH & READING SKILLS TRAINING (AS SEEN ON JOB APPLICATIONS)
- CPR/FIRST AID TRAINING FOR CERTIFICATION

## OUR COMMITMENT TO YOU

ETI is committed to providing educational support programs and services to the business community to provide the opportunity to break down educational and employment barriers through our adaptive learning processes.

ETI's staff and contracted interpreters cover a broad range of teaching, instruction, experience, and education; and are ready to meet your business communication and training needs. Client services are offered on a sliding scale (for income below the Federal Poverty Line) SSI, SSDI or SSA monthly income only. For more information on our services and pricing, please visit our website: tmi-inc.org



**Transforming** 

Lives