The HANDS UP CONFERENCE
a **silent** immersive environment of learning

Dear Employer:

ROOTED: Rising From Deaf Roots

Welcome to the fourth Hands Up Conference from **July 8-11, 2027,** in Orlando, Florida. The Hands Up Conference is a **silent weekend** for individuals working within or alongside signing communities. The conference is designed for *all sign language communities*. We are offering classes for Deaf children and their siblings, parents of Deaf children, and Spanish-speaking families of Deaf children. It is our hope that anyone who wants to become an interpreter or just to learn sign language will attend the Hands Up Conference.

The conference's goal is to provide *world-class professional development for sign language professionals.* Hands Up Communications has contracted with subject-matter experts to address the needs of sign language professionals. The conference will address a variety of topics, including but not limited to:

- Medical/Mental Health
- Educational interpreting
- Deaf Interpreting (DI/CDI)
- Ethics and Decision Making
- Intersectionality
- Foundations of Language/Interpretation
- Legal interpreting
- Power, Privilege, and Oppression (PPO)

The 2027 conference will offer 2.4 CEUs in sign language! You will have amazing opportunities to network with instructors, interpreters, and leaders in the field. **BRAND NEW** this year, for those new to the world of sign language and sign language interpreting, we are offering the **Foundations** series.

Seize this opportunity and invest in the professional development of your staff by covering the cost of their attendance at the 2027 Hands Up Conference. If you have questions, please reach out to us at conference@handsupcommunications.com.

Sincerely yours,

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