



**EVERYBODY
BELONGS
CLUB**

What is EBC?



- An inclusive workout and social club for the special needs community
- A space where people with disabilities can move freely, build community, and belong fully
- A group whose mission is to provide adaptable and engaging workout classes that promote physical wellness, social connection, and belonging



Why EBC?

Our story

- The seed of EBC was planted at Baylor University in Waco, Texas when Taylor Ernst, inspired by his friend Tony's struggle with cerebral palsy, launched Baylor Helping Hands to serve the disabled community in Waco
- The first EBC was hosted in March 2025 on the soccer field of O Athletik, Taylor's local gym in the Heights neighborhood of Houston, Texas; eight athletes attended
- As of June 2026, the biweekly workouts average 30 athletes and 42 volunteers per event



Why EBC?

Our Mission: Three Pillars

Opportunity for Growth

Athletes come to EBC to get physically stronger but they also discover what their bodies can really do, build friendships, and find confidence they didn't know was there.

Growth



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Opportunity for Change

Most fitness spaces aren't built with accessibility in mind. At EBC, disability accommodation is at the forefront of everything we do. Everyone belongs from the start.

Change



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Opportunity for Faith

God made everyone with purpose and dignity. We honor His Creation by building a community that reveres every individual's humanity.

Growth

“For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works...”

Ephesians 2:10

Faith

“Then God said ‘Let us make man in our image...’”

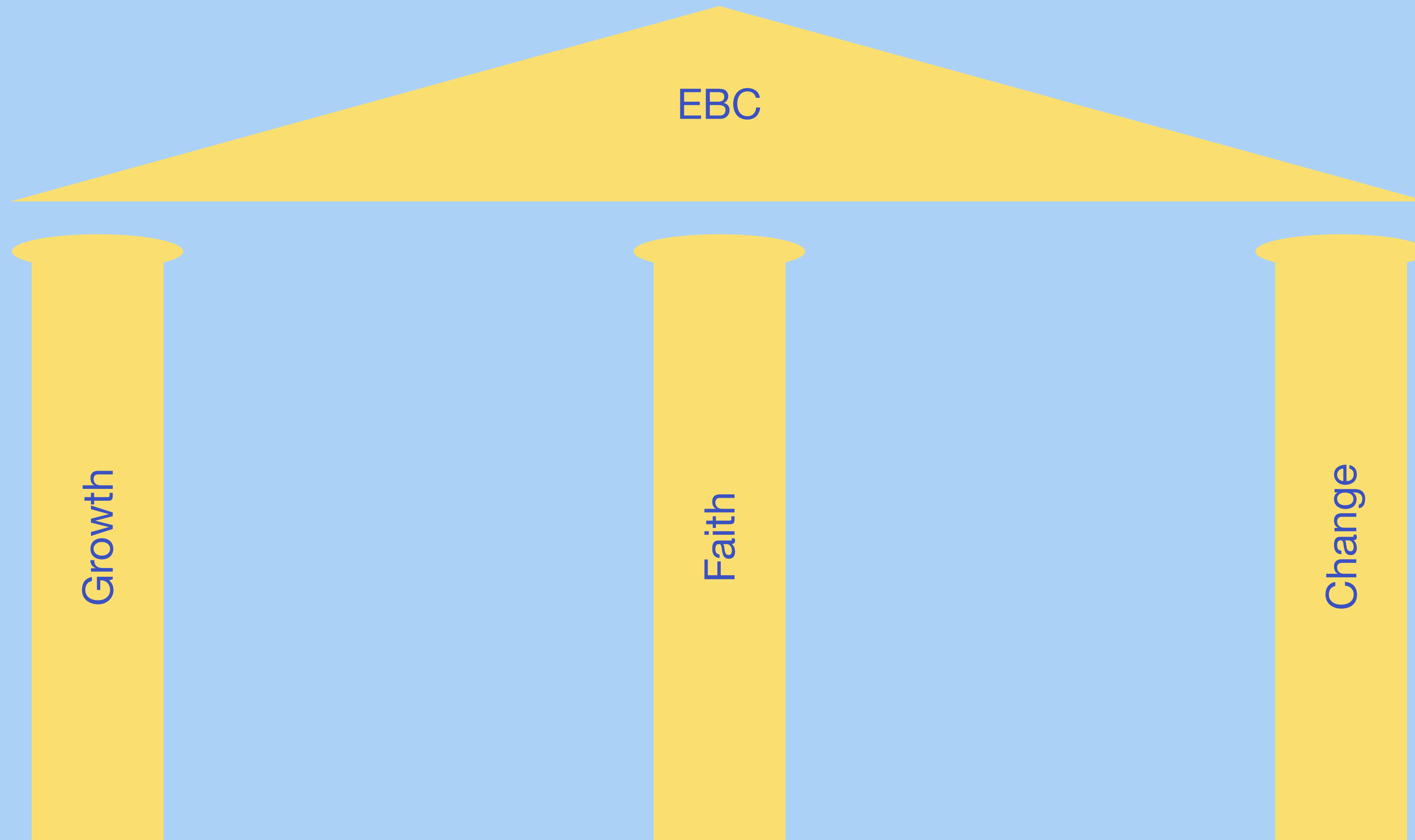
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Change



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Who does EBC serve?

- EBC welcomes individuals of all abilities, ages 8 to 75
- Programs are designed with adaptability in mind, from fully capable group participation to working one-on-one with a volunteer buddy
- There is no diagnosis requirement to participate (EBC supports athletes with both learning and/or physical disabilities)
- Any individual that would benefit from inclusive fitness programming belongs at EBC



EBC's Team

Executive Team



Taylor Ernst *President & Founder*



Lydia Huynh *Communications & Media*



McKenzie Clemons *Volunteer & Corporate Relations*



Tyler Rogers *Strategy & Inclusivity*

Board of Directors



Taylor Ernst *Chairman*



Guy Bily *Secretary*



Cherie Ruffino
Treasurer



Robbie Schilhab *Member*

Where does my gym fit in?

EBC is looking to grow



- EBC has come a long way from our initial event in March 2025
- With that growth, we're looking to expand and be able to host events at other locations
- Our ask is that you'd be willing to lend space in your location for EBC to use

Where do I fit in?

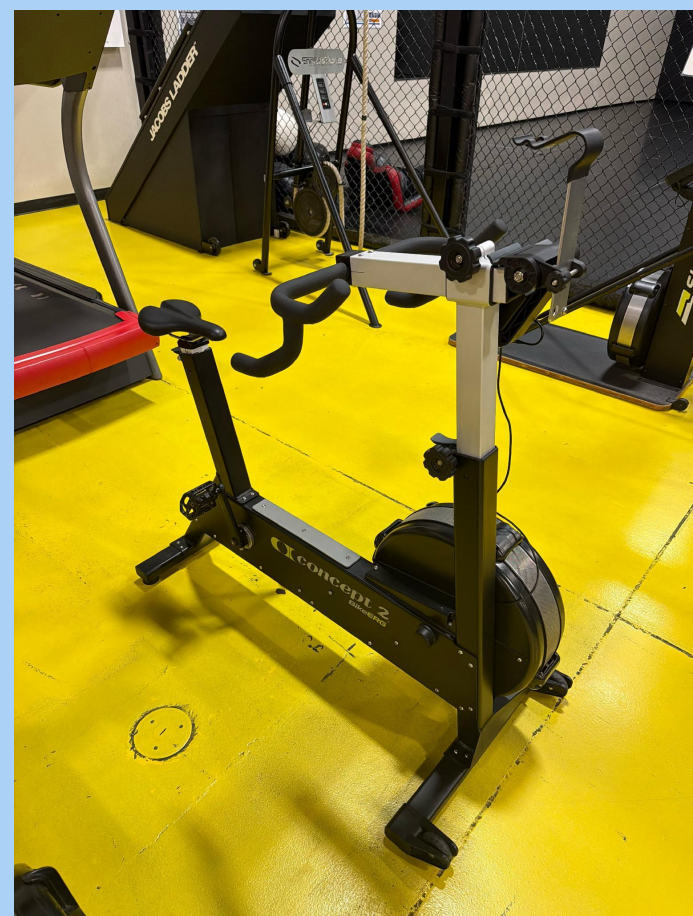
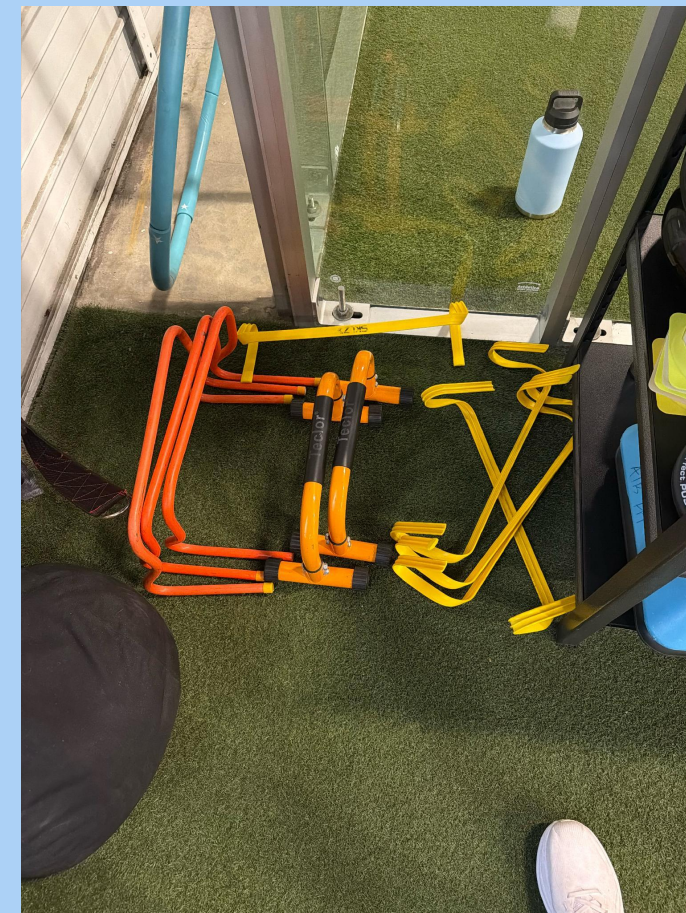
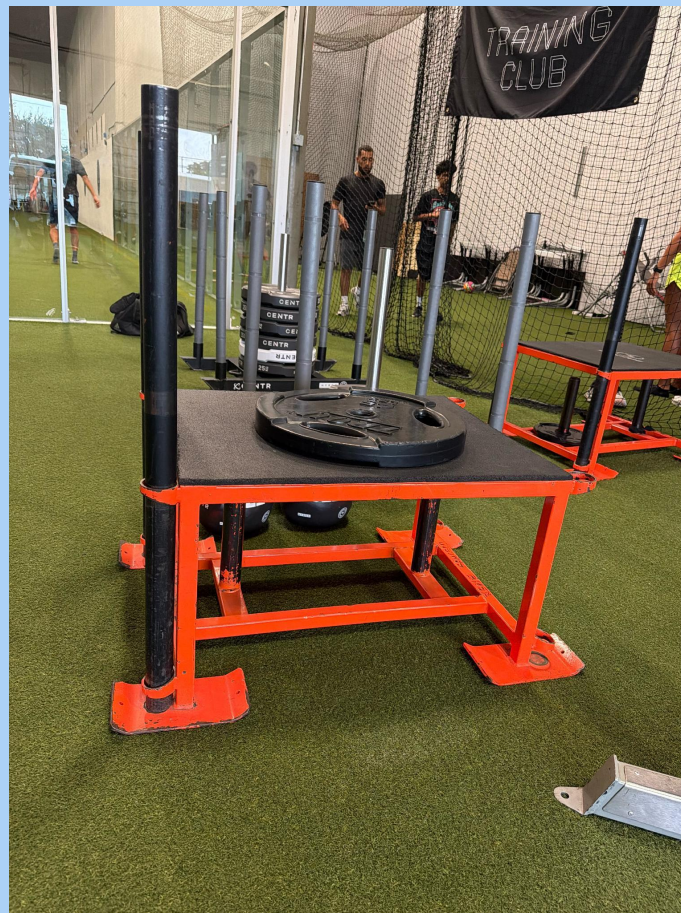
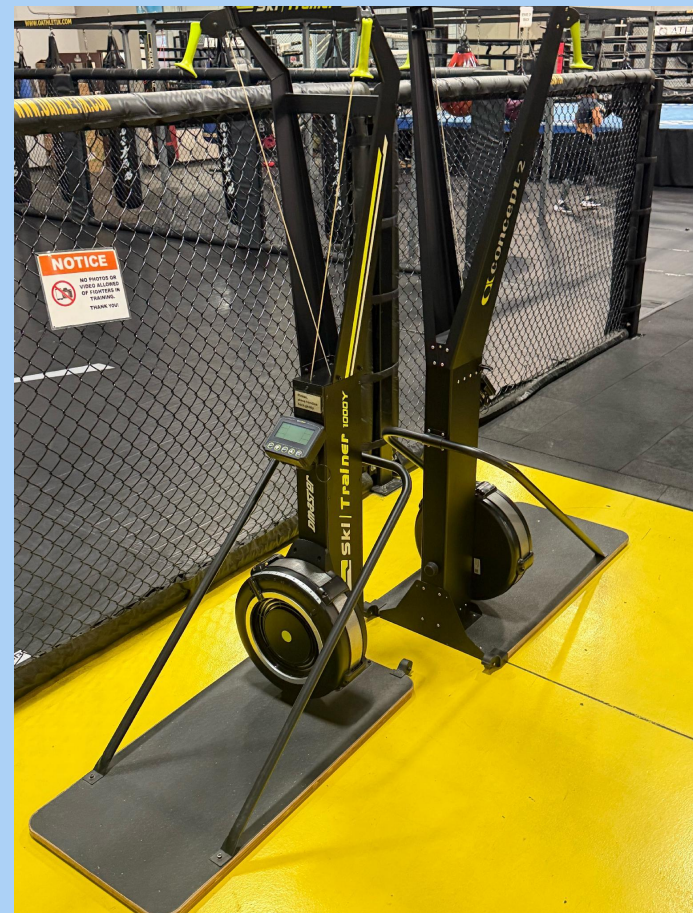
What would I be responsible for?

- The space!
- EBC crew will take care of running the event, setup/tear down, and monitoring athletes during the event
- If you have equipment we can borrow (lower weight dumbbells, rowers, ski ergs, c2 bikes, sleds, etc.), we'll take whatever we can get!
- We will provide uniforms for MVP volunteers, shirts for purchase, volunteer and outreach materials



Where do I fit in?

Equipment Examples



Where do I fit in?

What are the space requirements?

- Aside from top-notch volunteers, adequate space is the most important resource for EBC to be able to provide the service we do!
- The best-case scenario for us space wise is a turf field with some form of containment; ideally, some sort of indoor soccer field
- This helps to ensure that all athletes and volunteers are visible at all times and located in one area
- Handicap accessible bathrooms on location are mandatory



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Space Example



Where do I fit in?

How does liability work?

- We understand that there might be worries about where liability will fall if a participant or volunteer is injured
- The organization carries a liability insurance policy that covers the executive team and board of directors
- All other athletes and volunteers will fall under your gym's liability and insurance policies and they will be required to sign whatever waiver your location deems necessary before participating in EBC

Where do I fit in?

Are there financial implications?

- EBC will not ask you for monetary donations
- Temporarily donating space and/or equipment is considered charitable giving as EBC is a registered 501(c)(3) and may be used for tax write-off purposes