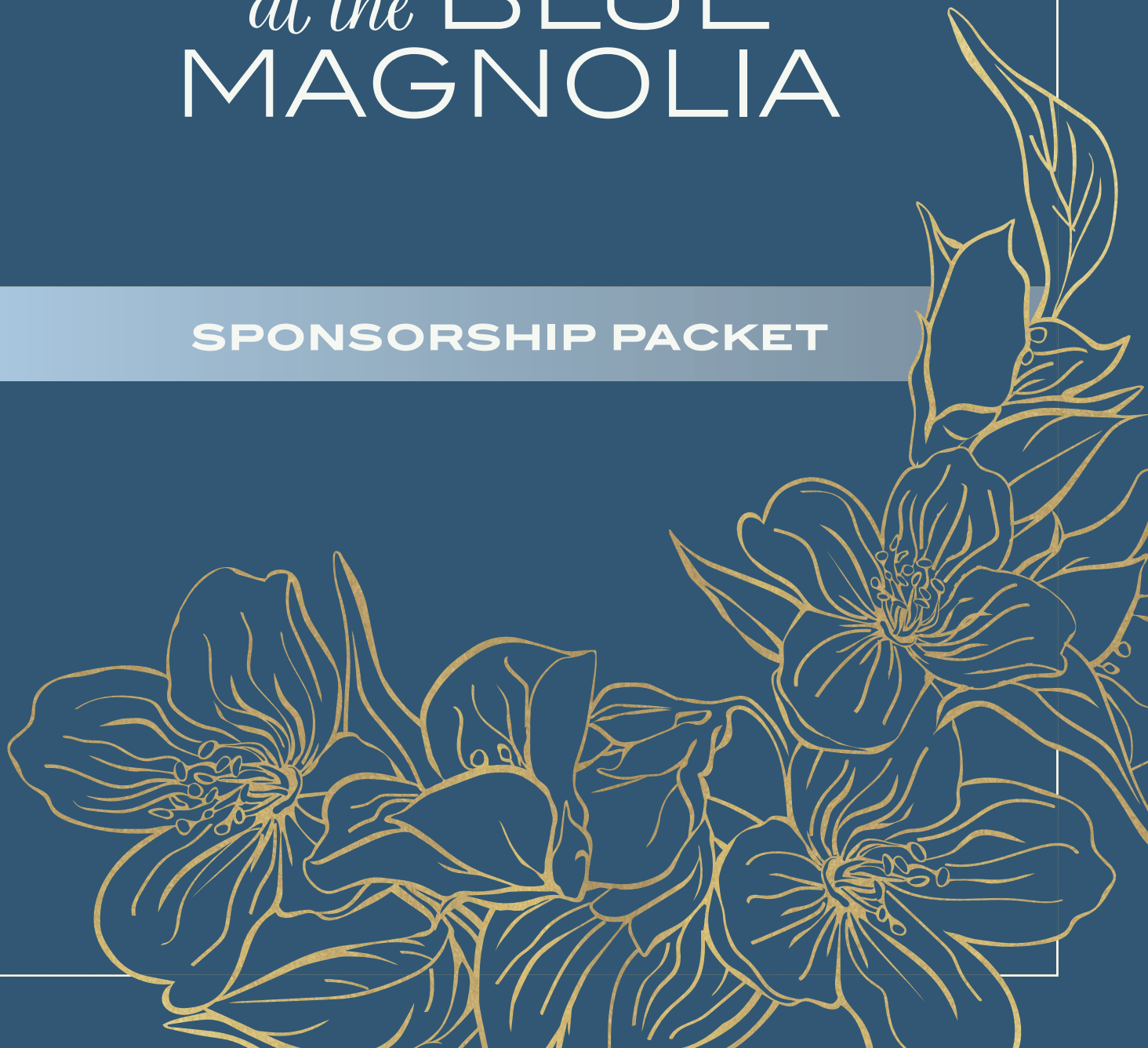


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BEACON
at the **BLUE**
MAGNOLIA

SPONSORSHIP PACKET



DEAR VALUED
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SUPPORTER:

We are honored to invite you to our 5th Annual Fall Fundraiser: Beacon at the Blue Magnolia: A Southern Evening of Music and Meaning. Please join us on Friday, September 25, 2026, from 6:30 - 10:30 PM at our new venue, The Blue Magnolia.

We can't wait to gather with you for an evening of purpose, celebration, and community with musical guests, The Dryes, whose harmonies captured national attention on The Voice.

As we enter our fifth year, we pause first to express gratitude to the supporters who helped turn vision into action. Because of you, the Beacon Access Center is now open and alive with purpose. Enrollment continues to grow, services are expanding, and what began as an idea is now a strong and promising foundation.

Like a song building toward its refrain, Project Beacon is gaining clarity, confidence, and momentum. The startup nature of Project Beacon means we are navigating the inherent tension between ambitious growth and limited resources while remaining unwavering in our commitment to innovation and impact.

Traditional IDD services have not kept pace with the realities facing adults with autism and their families. We are challenging that status quo and intentionally making Montgomery County, Texas, a proving ground for what is possible. What succeeds here has the potential to reshape how communities across the country support neurodivergent adults and their families.

Like any transformative movement, our next chapter requires deeper partnership. Our vision is ambitious by necessity.

To expand our services, build sustainable opportunities, and create long-term residential solutions, it will take a true public-private partnership with leaders willing to invest in work that is innovative, life-changing, and scalable.

The Blue Magnolia is more than just a beautiful setting; it's a symbol. Magnolias come in many forms: some are ever-green while others shed their leaves annually, some are small shrubs while others grow into towering trees. They bloom at different times, carry different fragrances, and bear unique names.

In the same way, the individuals we serve are wonderfully diverse. Each brings their own strengths, talents, and perspectives. And when brought together, they create something truly extraordinary, something greater than the sum of its parts.

Our Fall Gala, Beacon at the Blue Magnolia, is both a celebration and an invitation to invest early, build boldly, and help shape a future our community urgently needs. Your sponsorship is more than support for an event; it is a commitment to innovation, momentum, and lasting change.

With gratitude and anticipation,



Kelly Baughman
President & CEO, CoFounder

MEET OUR ENTERTAINMENT

The Dryes



If there was ever a time that country music needed a duo like The Dryes, it's now. Since launching their career in 2018, The Dryes (husband and wife) have caught the attention of USA Today, Rolling Stone, People, American Songwriter, Billboard, among others, and have gained thousands of fans and followers along the way.

In addition to their own touring schedule, Katelyn and Derek are featured artists in Dolly Parton's *Threads: My Songs in Symphony*, a show co-produced by Dolly Parton herself. This show is currently on tour across the country.

Recognized by *Country Living Magazine* as "The new hot country duo to watch" after premiering on Season 22 of NBC's *The Voice* (Team Blake), The Dryes have accumulated over 12 million global streams. Their sassy single "Dolly Would" and their soulful "House on Fire" both achieved the remarkable feat of reaching #1 on CMT's 12 Pack Countdown by fan voting.

The Dryes have toured with Jo Dee Messina as direct support on her national "Heads Carolina, Tails California Tour". While on the road, The Dryes secured a summer partnership with Cheerwine, and Derek landed a spot as an official PRS Guitars artist.

Their music has been featured on Netflix and ABC shows and their catalog shows the full spectrum of who they are. Their summer single "daydrinkin'" charted on iTunes release day and has garnered over 6 million views on social media. With an exciting year in play, there is no stopping this pair.



2025

2025 AT A GLANCE

A YEAR OF GROWTH, IMPACT, AND COMMUNITY

2025 was a pivotal year for Project Beacon. With the opening of the Beacon Access Center and expanded programming, adults with autism gained greater access to opportunities that build independence, confidence, and connection.

MAJOR MILESTONES

- Beacon Access Center opened in May
- Created a permanent home for programs, families, and partners
- New programs launched: Beacon Social Club and Leisure Quest – The Woodlands
- Hosted two successful community fundraising events
- Expanded leadership capacity to support longterm sustainability

MEASURABLE IMPACT

- Nearly 40% of Pathways clients increased independence
- 28,000+ hours of life skills and vocational programming delivered

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- 17,600+ miles driven supporting safe community access
- 600+ community outings to restaurants, stores, leisure sites, and more than half of the outings were to jobtraining locations
- Realworld experiences help participants practice skills where they matter most

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

- 10 active partners supporting vocational exploration and skillbuilding
- Partnerships expand opportunity without increasing program costs
- Local relationships strengthen inclusion and longterm employability

PROGRAMS FAMILIES RELY ON

- 600+ SMILES service hours delivered through:
 - Social Club
 - Coaching
 - Leisure Quest
 - Skills Sparks
- Flexible programming responds to family needs and drives sustainable growth

STRONG STEWARDSHIP

- \$1.9M total revenue
- 75% of expenses directed to programs
- Served 100+ individuals and families across Beacon programs

2025 HIGHLIGHTS

Through the introduction of Social Club, Leisure Quest, Skills Sparks, and Vocational programs, Project Beacon expanded opportunities for engagement, skill-building, and real-world independence.

BEACON SOCIAL CLUB: Bowling Night grows social interaction skills, builds confidence and connection among clients



LEISURE QUEST: Yoga increases flexibility, strength & balance



SKILLS SPARKS:

Podcasting teaches communication, listening & technical skills, creativity, confidence, research and preparation



VOCATIONAL PARTNERS: Gardening with Veggie Village teaches our clients patience, responsibility, mindfulness, reward & accomplishment.



Celebrating the opening of the BEACON ACCESS CENTER:

A powerful beginning marked by excitement, connection, and the promise of brighter futures. Board members welcomed government officials County Judge Mark Keough, Commissioner Ritch Wheeler, Woodlands Township Board Directors, Dr. Ann Snyder and Craig Eissler, Deputy Director Matt Murphy, Senator Ted Cruz's office



COMMUNITY SUPPORT: Lowe's Red Vest Day transformed the BAC outdoor space into an expanded learning environment for our clients while uniting corporate volunteers and the community around a shared purpose.



Building more than storage - shaping a vision into reality



Co-founder & Immediate Past Chair, Kevin Gerrity digs deep for the BAC



Team Effort - Lowe's managers and store representatives, board members, PB staff and the EFTA volunteers unite for big impact

NASHVILLE NIGHTS captured the spirit of community and support behind Project Beacon with lively music and heartfelt giving.



Pamela Franks caught up in the bidding at Nashville Nights



Board Members pose with Co-chairs, Michelle Little & Carol Durkee

ABOUT AUTISM

Autism, also known as *Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)*, is a complex neurodevelopmental condition. It is called a “spectrum” disorder because it manifests differently in each individual, ranging from mild to profound challenges including, but not limited to:

- Challenges with social interaction
- Repetitive/challenging behaviors
- Difficulty with communication
- Developmental disabilities

Autism is a lifelong condition, but early intervention and support can significantly improve an individual’s quality of life and ability to thrive in society. It’s essential to recognize that each person with autism is unique, with their own strengths and challenges.

THE AUTISM LANDSCAPE

For families of adults with autism spectrum disorder and/or intellectual and/or developmental disabilities, the transition out of high school is often described as falling off a cliff. During childhood, structured services, therapies, and federally mandated educational supports create stability and measurable progress. When public education ends, access to meaningful programs, funding, and expert staffing declines sharply, just as long-term independence should be accelerating.

Without appropriate adult services, many individuals remain at home indefinitely, dependent on aging parents and public benefits. Research has also shown that caregivers of adults with autism experience significant financial strain alongside increased emotional and physical stress. At the same time, the broader economy loses the potential workforce contributions of both the adult with disabilities and the caregiving parent forced out of employment.

Project Beacon was founded in response to this inflection point. We believe this is not a permanent systems failure. It is a solvable challenge. With structured training, expert staffing, behavioral specialization, and employer partnerships, adults with autism can move toward independence, economic participation, and meaningful community engagement.

AUTISM IN THE US BY THE NUMBERS

In 2026, in Montgomery County alone.

53,000

adults are diagnosed with autism or Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.

85%

are either unemployed or underemployed

19%

live at home with a caregiver aged 60 or older

**NEURODIVERGENT
INDIVIDUALS** are

7X

more likely to die by suicide than neurotypical peers.

At nearly **\$1,350** per day, or **\$500,000** annually

institutional care is one of the most expensive responses to a growing need.

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SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SEPTEMBER 25, 2026
AT 6:30 IN THE EVENING
THE BLUE MAGNOLIA - MAGNOLIA, TX

BIG LEAF MAGNOLIA ————— \$25,000

PRESENTING SPONSOR
one available

Two VIP Tables of ten guests with four bottles of premium wine per table
Name and/or logo prominently featured invitation, program and other printed material
Name and/or logo prominently featured on Project Beacon website and newsletter
Recognition in press release and social media posts
One 90-second partnership video for social media
Meet and Greet Nashville talent in green room
One themed swag bag for sponsor

SOUTHERN MAGNOLIA ————— \$15,000

One VIP Table of ten guests with two bottles of premium wine for table
Name and/or logo prominently featured invitation, program and other printed material
Name and/or logo prominently featured on Project Beacon website and newsletter
Recognition in press release and social media posts
Meet and Greet Nashville talent in green room
One themed swag bag for sponsor

CUCUMBER TREE MAGNOLIA ————— \$10,000

One table of ten guests with premium seating and two bottles of premium wine for table
Name and/or logo prominently featured invitation, program and other printed material
Name and/or logo prominently featured on Project Beacon website and newsletter
Recognition in press release and social media posts
One themed swag bag for sponsor

LILY MAGNOLIA ————— \$7,500

One table of ten guests with premium seating and two bottles of premium wine for table
Name and/or logo prominently featured invitation, program and other printed material
Name and/or logo prominently featured on Project Beacon website and newsletter
Recognition in press release and social media posts

OYAMA MAGNOLIA ————— \$5,000

limited number available

One table of ten guests with one bottle of premium wine for table
Name and/or logo prominently featured invitation, program and other printed material
Name and/or logo prominently featured on Project Beacon website and newsletter
Recognition in press release and social media posts

SAUCER MAGNOLIA ————— \$3,500

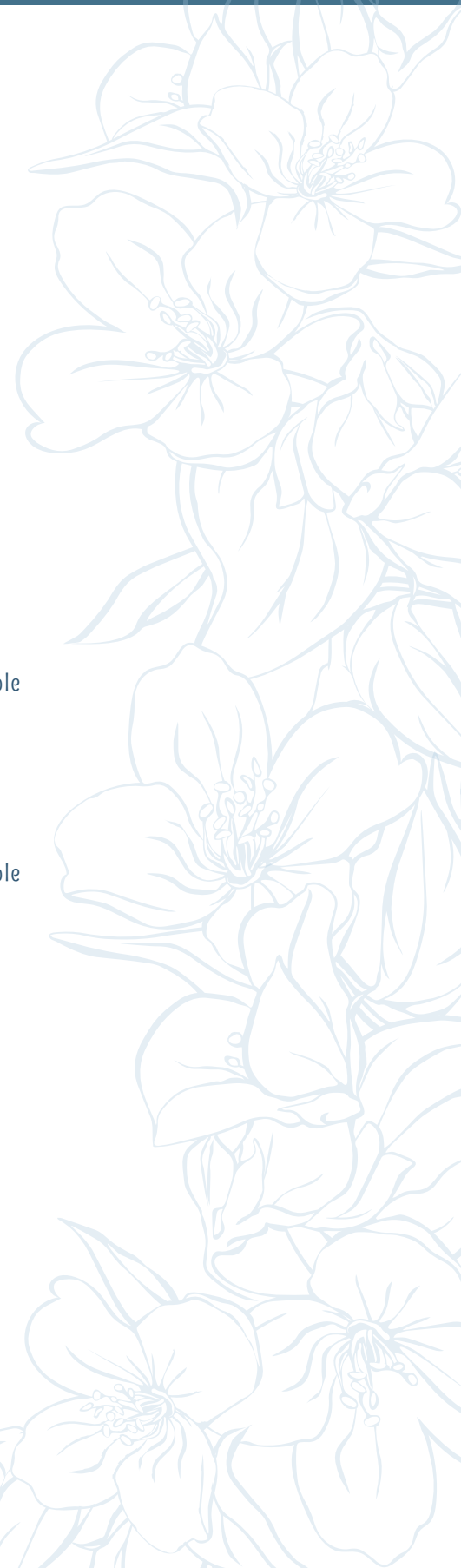
limited number available

One table of ten guests
Name and/or logo listed in program
Name and/or logo listed on Project Beacon website and newsletter
Recognition in social media posts

ANNISE MAGNOLIA ————— \$1,250

ten available

One VIP table of two guests in front of stage performance
Name and/or logo listed in program
One bottle of premium wine for table



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UNDERWRITING OPPORTUNITES

SEPTEMBER 25, 2026
AT 6:30 IN THE EVENING
THE BLUE MAGNOLIA - MAGNOLIA, TX

SPECIALTY UNDERWRITING OPPORTUNITES

\$7,000 *five available*

ENTERTAINMENT

STEP & REPEAT

EVENT RENTALS

LIVE AUCTION

FLORAL

Six seats per sponsorship at this level

Name and/or logo prominently featured invitation, program and other printed material

Name and/or logo prominently featured on Project Beacon website and newsletter

Recognition in press release and social media posts

\$5,000 *five available*

INVITATIONS

PROGRAM

MENU CARD

DESSERT

VALET

Four seats per sponsorship at this level

Name and/or logo prominently featured invitation, program and other printed material

Name and/or logo prominently featured on Project Beacon website and newsletter

Recognition in press release and social media posts

\$3,000 *five available*

EVENT BAR

SIGNATURE DRINK

PADDLES

MOBILE BIDDING

TABLE NUMBERS

Two tickets per sponsorship at this level

Name and/or logo prominently featured invitation, program and other printed material

Name and/or logo prominently featured on Project Beacon website and newsletter

Recognition in press release and social media posts

DIRECT UNDERWRITING OPPORTUNITES

\$2,000 *five available*

COCKTAIL NAPKINS

REGISTRATION

RAFFLE

MEDIA

VIP SWAG

The direct underwriting opportunities are a fabulous way to showcase your business and/or personal support without attending event.

Underwriters receive recognition in the program, signage and in social media.

Logo and/or name printed on goods and/or signage at the event.

INDIVIDUAL TICKET:

\$450 *limited number available*

SPONSORSHIP FORM 2026

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select a sponsorship option:

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> BIG LEAF MAGNOLIA | \$25,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SOUTHERN MAGNOLIA | \$15,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CUCUMBER TREE MAGNOLIA | \$10,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LILY MAGNOLIA | \$7,500 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> OYAMA MAGNOLIA | \$5,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SAUCER MAGNOLIA | \$3,500 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ANNISE MAGNOLIA | \$1,250 |

select an underwriting option:

- | \$7,000 | \$5,000 | \$3,000 | \$2,000 |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> FLORAL DECOR | <input type="checkbox"/> VALET | <input type="checkbox"/> TABLE NUMBERS | <input type="checkbox"/> VIP SWAG |

SPONSOR INFORMATION:

Recognize Sponsor / Underwriter As _____

Address Invitation To: Mr. | Ms. | Dr. | Title _____

Significant Other: Mr. | Ms. | Dr. | Title (include last name if different) _____

Corporate Contact Name (if different) _____ Title _____

Mailing Address for Invitation _____

City, State, Zip _____ Daytime Phone _____

Email _____ Mobile Phone _____

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Total Amount (Sponsorship/Underwriter/Donation) \$ _____ Individual Seat(s) - \$450/seat \$ _____

Form of Payment Check Cash Bill Me Later
Checks payable to: Project Beacon TX (if different, send bill to the attention of)

Credit Card # _____ Exp. _____ CVV _____

Billing Name (as it appears on card) _____

Billing Address (if different than sponsor information) _____

City, State, Zip _____ Date _____

I authorize Project Beacon to charge my credit card for the full amount indicated above. Signature _____

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Together, we are building something that did not exist before, an intentional, hopeful model of support for adults with autism and their families. By becoming a sponsor, you are fueling momentum at a pivotal moment. Your partnership helps ensure that dignity, opportunity, and a community of belonging remain at the center of everything we do, while positioning Project Beacon to prove what is possible when innovation and commitment meet real need.

Thank you for considering a sponsorship of

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We would be honored to partner with you in this work and to recognize your leadership in shaping a more inclusive future for adults with autism and their families. With your support, this next chapter will move us forward and will help light the way for families, our community, and others watching what can grow from a bold belief and shared purpose.

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