Autism Speaks is dedicated to promoting solutions across the spectrum and throughout the life span for the needs of people with autism and their families. We do this through advocacy and support; increasing understanding and acceptance of people with autism and advancing research into causes and better interventions for autism spectrum disorder and related conditions.

We are fully committed to investing in our mission objectives. More than eighty-five (85) cents of every dollar funds programs and services in science, family services, education and government advocacy, exceeding Better Business Bureau guidelines each year.

To find resources, join a fundraising walk or make a donation, go to AutismSpeaks.org

Increasing global understanding and acceptance

- World Autism Month initiatives shining a light on autism worldwide to increase understanding and acceptance of people with autism
- Collaborative Ad Council public service campaigns increasing autism awareness by over 50%
- Social outreach sharing thousands of personal stories from the autism community

Being a catalyst for research breakthroughs
Autism Speaks scientific research projects, fellowships and collaborative initiatives deepen our understanding of autism and improve methods for diagnosing, treating and supporting people on the spectrum.

- Helped lead the genomic discovery about biology of autisms
- Oversight of collaborative Autism Treatment Network of leading academic and medical centers and significant supporter of early career scientists
- Advocacy for increased federal funding of autism research and medical innovations legislation

Increasing early childhood screening and timely intervention
With collaboration, Autism Speaks continues to address areas of critical importance to children with ASD and their support systems.

- Global Autism Public Health initiatives that address the needs of underserved populations worldwide
- Telelearning opportunities and access to autism evidence-based risk assessment tools
- Align with families, professionals, governments and advocacy groups in 70 countries to enable practical and effective delivery of care

Improving the transition to adulthood
Autism Speaks promotes the well-being, financial security and equal opportunity for adolescents and adults on the autism spectrum.

- Promotion of legislative policy supporting successful transition to adulthood
- Advocate for tax-preferred savings for disability-related expenses, including autism
- Online resources enhancing all facets of adult life including education, employment, housing and community living

Ensuring access to reliable information and services throughout the life span
Autism Speaks empowers people with autism, their families and service providers through information and referrals.

- One-on-one support for people with autism and their families through the Autism Speaks Autism Response Team
- Funding to increase programs and services for people with autism and family support
- Development and translation of vital information and resources from diagnosis through adulthood
RAISED OVER $305 M by Autism Speaks Walk participants to support the autism community

INVESTED $155 M in scientific grants, resulting in an additional $396 M of funding from public sources focused specifically on autism

CHAMPIONED $3 B increase in federal research funding for autism since 2008

SUCCESSFULLY ADVOCATED for autism benefits covering 195 M PEOPLE

FUNDED RESEARCH indicating autism can be reliably diagnosed BELOW AGE 3

HELPED LEAD THE genomic discovery about biology of autisms

DONATED NEARLY $1 M in Autism Speaks Cares funds to assist families affected by sudden hardships

FUNDED $9 M in local community grants and scholarships

CREATED AN ONLINE database of nationwide autism services and resources viewed by 15 MILLION PEOPLE SINCE 2007

PROVIDED hundreds of thousands of people with direct assistance since 2007

ADMINISTERED A NETWORK OF medical centers and academic facilities developing cutting edge clinical care for more than 500,000 children since 2005

AIDED AN ESTIMATED 18 MILLION PEOPLE since 2012

Have questions or need help?
Contact the Autism Response Team 888-AUTISM2 en Español 888-772-9050 or email FamilyServices@AutismSpeaks.org