2014-2015 Annual Report

We Improve Lives, Support Families, and Educate Communities... Together
A Message from the Board Chair & Chief Executive Officer

For more than 45 years, the Autism Society of North Carolina (ASNC) has improved the lives of individuals with autism, supported families affected by autism, and educated our communities about the needs of people with autism. Together with our donors and volunteers, we have helped individuals with autism across the state live fulfilling lives.

As many as one in 58 children may be diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) in NC, according to recent CDC studies of 8-year-old schoolchildren. Of note, North Carolina’s median age for diagnosis, 37 months, was the youngest in the 11-state sample. We are pleased to see the results of our efforts to make sure that parents and professionals understand the signs and symptoms of autism, ultimately leading to earlier intervention and better long-term outcomes.

As we reflect on our past 45 years, we want to thank all of you for being a part of our family and acknowledge the many contributions you have made to our community. Your leadership, talent, and generous financial support have enabled ASNC to continue to create innovative programs to provide much-needed services. A few important highlights from this year include:

• Expansion of our direct-care services increased access to vital services throughout the state for more children, adolescents, and adults on the spectrum.

• Under the leadership of Dr. Aleck Myers, our Clinical Director, we launched LifeLong Interventions. The expansion of licensed staff and Board Certified Behavior Analysts positioned ASNC as a clinical leader in the field providing comprehensive treatment for ASD, across all skill levels and across the lifespan.

• Growth in our job-training initiatives and the expansion of our Employment Supports Department led to more individuals with autism gaining and retaining meaningful employment.

• Our focus on the needs of our rural and minority populations through a series of faith-based workshops is helping clergy members to learn the signs and symptoms of autism and to include individuals and families with autism in their congregations.

• Crisis response is now recognized as one of the greatest needs for people with autism in North Carolina. We are continuing our long history of public-policy advocacy by advising decision-making entities about how best to prevent and solve crises for individuals with autism.

We would specifically like to thank donors who made some of these highlights possible. Thank you, Ray Evernham and the Evernham Family-Racing for a Reason Foundation for supporting IGNITE, Gregg and Lori Ireland and the Ireland Family Foundation for supporting our clinical leadership, and the Walmart Foundation for supporting the expansion of our Employment Supports Department. Without their financial assistance, the growth in these areas would not have been possible.

ASNC accomplished much in fiscal year 2014-15. After seven years of persistence by our families and supporters, we celebrated the signing of SB 676, “Autism Health Insurance Coverage” into law. ASNC also led efforts to ensure that the needs of the autism community were at the forefront of policymakers’ minds throughout the discussions of changes to Medicaid.

As the autism prevalence rate continues to rise, we recognize that families increasingly face financial, emotional, and day-to-day hardships, and more resources are needed than ever before. Remarkably, last year ASNC touched, in a meaningful way, the lives of more than 20,000 individuals who received direct services. An additional 215,000 learned how to support individuals with autism through our outreach efforts.

We want you to know that each and every one of you is an important part of our autism community and our family. Whether we are celebrating new words learned, supporting one another through a difficult school year, or just lending an understanding ear, we pull together to support one another. We think we can all agree that through the hard times and the happy times, the one thing that remains constant is that we are stronger together. And with your continued help, we can do so much more.

Sharon Jeffries-Jones
Chair of the Board of Directors

Tracey Sheriff
Chief Executive Officer
One Resource. Unlimited Opportunities.

The Autism Society of North Carolina (ASNC) is the leading statewide resource organization serving people across the spectrum throughout their lifespans. We understand the challenges of the autism community because we work with individuals on the autism spectrum and their families every day. We reach out to families after they learn their children have autism and work alongside them to ensure that their children reach their full potential as adults.

The Autism Society of North Carolina has a statewide network of resources that connects individuals with autism, their families, and their communities to life-changing programs and supports unavailable anywhere else. ASNC leads the field clinically and prides itself on being the best provider of services for individuals with autism. We train our staff on evidence-based best practices, and as the clinical leader in our state, we widely share our expertise with others. Our goal is to provide opportunities across the lifespan so that individuals with autism live full and meaningful lives as contributing members of society.

Our Strategic Priorities

Advocacy
We connect families with resources, assist with school issues, educate families through workshops, help individuals navigate the services system, and host local support groups. We also give those with autism a voice in public policy by building relationships at the state legislature and other policy-making entities.

Training and Education
We focus on evidence-based best practices that empower self-advocates, families, and professionals. We educate the community by training teachers, medical professionals, and direct-care staff so they have the most effective, up-to-date autism research and methodologies. We also increase the understanding and acceptance of people with autism in the community.

Direct-Care Services
ASNC is a direct-care service provider and a recipient of the highest level of accreditation from the Council on Quality Leadership for exemplary service provision. We provide a variety of residential, recreational, vocational, and community-based services that help the individuals we serve reach their maximum level of independence.

Our Mission
The Autism Society of North Carolina is committed to providing support and promoting opportunities that enhance the lives of individuals within the autism spectrum and their families.

Where We Work
We have 8 offices throughout the state, supporting North Carolinians in all 100 counties.
The Autism Society of North Carolina specializes in providing high quality direct-care services that meet the unique needs of individuals with autism. We offer expertise in home, work, and community settings to help individuals reach their maximum level of independence and achieve their lifelong goals and dreams. While we strive to help everyone be as independent as possible, many individuals served by ASNC have very significant lifelong needs. Individuals with autism receive a variety of residential, recreational, vocational, and community-based services that are designed to address social deficits in areas such as communication skills and independent living. This year, we made it possible for more than 4,100 people to live at home and in their communities as contributing members of society with full and meaningful lives.

**Highlights**

- Over 3,300 individuals attended Camp Royall to play, learn new skills, and make friends through Summer Camp, Afterschool programming, Mini-Camp Weekends, Adult Retreats, and Family Fun Days.

- Over 750 children and adults gained daily living skills, worked on their communication and socialization skills, and learned how to participate in community activities of their choice through one-to-one staffing and consultation coordinated in our regional offices across the state.

- Over 90 teenagers and adults practiced interpersonal skills and bonded over common interests in Social Skills Groups.

- One-hundred individuals received support in obtaining and maintaining employment.

- Over 25 children ages five through 17 participated in afterschool programs, learning daily living skills, building social skills, and participating in therapeutic recreational activities.

- Twenty-two adults were able to continue living in the communities of their choice while receiving 24-hour support and supervision through our eight Supported Living Homes.

**Outcomes**

As a result of the Autism Society of North Carolina's direct-care services, individuals with autism remained healthy, safe, and able to live successfully in their communities. Through therapeutic recreational and skill-building programs, children and adults with autism learned functional communication, appropriate behavior, and independent living skills to the degree possible. As individuals reached adulthood, we helped them to become employed and live on their own. For those with the most significant needs, we provided residential services so they could live in their own communities.

**Direct-care services outcomes:**

- 90% of participants increased communication skills*
- 89% of participants achieved goals with ASNC’s help
- 87% of participants participated in the community thanks to ASNC staff
- 74% of participants had increased independence*

*Significant outcome because it addresses the core deficits of autism.*
Teaching in the Moment

Each child with autism is different, and each has his or her own struggles and joys. What works for one child might not work for another. ASNC has the experience necessary to improve their lives.

One day last fall, Katy’s mom asked her fifth-grade daughter what she did during recess. The response brought tears to the mom’s eyes. “I hid behind a tree and cried,” Katy answered.

“My heart broke for the millionth time.” Katy’s mom said. Katy has autism, and her teachers lacked the time and training to help her be included with the other students. Katy’s mom reached out to ASNC.

Katy worked with ASNC’s social skills tutor to learn how to play with other children, the unspoken rules of games, and even how to look around the playground and pick a group to join. The tutor also helped the students in the class better understand Katy and how to involve her in a game.

“You changed my child’s life and deepened her peers’ understanding of what it means to have autism. This was the missing element for 10 years...teaching in the moment with peers!” Katy’s mom said.

Donor Spotlight:
Premiere Communications and Consulting

Premiere Communications and Consulting, Inc. has been a year-round, go-to partner for ASNC since 2012. Premiere’s innovative approach means company leaders participate in events, volunteer their time, support ASNC financially, and connect ASNC with others who also might become supporters.

Jeff Woodlief, President of Raleigh-based Premiere, said its leaders wanted to give back to the community and found a worthy partner in ASNC. “ASNC makes a difference to real families in North Carolina by providing direct services.”

Camp Royall especially has been a beneficiary of Premiere’s generosity through annual work days. Premiere staff have rewired the camp offices, adding data ports and new phone lines, donated a work truck, and built a wheelchair-accessible ramp. Woodlief, who is now on the ASNC Board of Directors, said, “The first time I visited camp and witnessed firsthand the skits that the kids had worked on all week was a very powerful thing – to see the excitement and joy that camp brings not only to the campers but also the family members, and to have a place where kids can come together, be social, have fun, and learn to belong.”

Premiere has given more than $85,000 to ASNC and more than $65,000 through in-kind support. The company’s employees also individually give to ASNC.

Woodlief said, “It is my hope that in some small way, Premiere’s partnership with ASNC is able to make a difference, a contribution that will help make someone’s life better.”
We support families... Together

The Autism Society of North Carolina is the only resource in the state that connects families with information and support that is specifically tailored to their unique situation. Autism Resource Specialists help families navigate the various service systems, learn how to apply methods of intervention with their children at home, resolve school and treatment issues, and understand how to teach their children to be safe. Families receive help to address adult issues of employment and residential needs while planning for their children’s needs beyond their own lives. Autism Resource Specialists are often the first people parents talk to after receiving a diagnosis, and they are able to guide families through the process of how to best help their children during crises.

Fifty-one Chapters and Support Groups provide families who face similar challenges an opportunity to encourage one another, share experiences and solutions, and have a place where they feel welcomed, accepted, and understood.

**Highlights**

- **Over 6,000 people** received one-on-one mentoring and problem-solving from Autism Resource Specialists.
- **More than 2,500 family members** learned to better understand autism and what they could do to support someone with autism in the community.
- **More than 150 parents** learned how to develop education plans for their children and work more productively with school systems.
- Autism Resource Specialists attended **695 meetings to assist parents** with newly diagnosed consultations, guide them through school issues, or resolve crises.
- **Nearly 14,000 families received support** from our Chapters and Support Groups with outreach to underserved populations.
- Autism Resource Specialists assisted individuals through **383 crisis events**.

**Outcomes**

The Autism Society of North Carolina empowered families by helping them understand their options, learn best practices, and connect with community resources. We helped families care for their children at home and in the community, therefore decreasing the number of individuals with autism who are unnecessarily institutionalized. With our support, families received the necessary assistance to help individuals with autism remain healthy, safe, and living successfully in the communities of their choice.

100% of North Carolina counties are covered by an Autism Resource Specialist

Autism Resource Specialists’ encounters resulted in at least one of the following immediate outcomes: attempted to contact individual, provided information, provided referral and connection to resources, provided problem-solving assistance, provided listening and support, provided education and training, or met directly with family or person with ASD individually or with an outside entity.
Bringing Brothers Together

Five-year-old Bryant looked like other children his age, but he was alone. He struggled daily to interact with others and understand the world around him. He hid when other children came into his home. Bryant, who had been diagnosed with autism when he was a baby, didn’t even connect with his older brother. His mother desperately wanted her sons to have that special bond that so many siblings have. She wanted simpler things, too, like to be able to go out to a restaurant as a family or run to the store without a second thought. But she often faced one of Bryant’s paralyzing meltdowns. She learned that when you have a child with autism, things are not simple.

- ASNC was there for Bryant’s family. An ASNC Autism Resource Specialist attended Bryant’s Individualized Education Program meeting and helped his mother strategically advocate for his needs.
- A member of ASNC’s direct-care staff taught Bryant how to interact with other kids and get along with every child in his neighborhood.
- ASNC even helped the boys bond as brothers. With the direct-care staff’s help, they made up a game called “Fuzzy Baseball.” They now play this game every day, and their mother gets to see that special bond she had always hoped for.

Things may never be simple for families like Bryant’s, but with the right support, each child can succeed, just as Bryant is doing.

Donor Spotlight: Tammie Crawford

Tammie Crawford has turned her love for her grandson who has autism into dedication to families affected by autism across the state. Since 2013, she has raised almost $40,000 for the Autism Society of North Carolina.

“I am only a grandmother hoping to help in some small way,” Crawford said. “I have been very blessed to have my husband and friends join me in this effort.”

Crawford and her husband, Jimmy, created a Triangle Run/Walk for Autism team in 2013 and named it for their grandson, Liam. While some teams bring dozens of participants to the Run/Walk for Autism events, Team Liam’s success has come through bake sales, garage sales, and other fundraisers. “We’re just always constantly thinking what else can we do to generate earnings,” said Crawford, who lives in Henderson.

The fundraisers have also been a way for Tammie to include others in her mission to help ASNC. In addition to “wonderful” friends who have given hours of their time to help organize and run the events, she has several teenage helpers, including one young man with autism. Tammie said she was happy to provide an opportunity to him to participate in the community and have a sense of accomplishment. He has even made a new friend. “Together they have the best time. It’s just another outlet for him. That has meant a lot to me.”

Many of her friends have also joined Liam and his family for the Triangle Run/Walk for Autism each year. They wear Team Liam shirts and go out for lunch afterward, turning it into a fun day. “It just means the world to know that friends take their Saturday to go to the Run/Walk with us,” Tammie said.
We educate communities... Together

The Autism Society of North Carolina focuses on teaching evidence-based best practices that empower individuals with autism, their families, and the professionals who serve them to promote healthy lifestyles, safety, and independent living. We also work to increase understanding and acceptance of people with autism in the community. Our autism-specific clinical training for individuals with autism, caregivers, professionals, educators, provider agencies, first responders, and medical professionals has improved and saved lives.

**Highlights**

- ASNC staff held **242 in-person training workshops that reached 4,721 people**. Trainings were held in 46 counties and were available through webinars to participants in all 100 counties.
- Over **640 teachers** from preschool to secondary schools developed better skills to work with students with autism.
- More than **475 professionals** who work with children younger than 4 received early-intervention training.
- More than **240 first responders** developed skills to care for people with autism in emergency situations.
- ASNC’s Faith-Based Initiative to create inclusive faith communities reached more than **670 faith leaders, their staff, volunteers, and family members in underserved communities**.
- Our annual conference in Charlotte, Autism: Lifelong Learning, reached over **750 participants**.
- Over **50,000 readers** received our semi-annual educational magazine to help them become their children’s best advocates.
- Through our external outreach efforts, more than **215,000 people** received information on how to support individuals with autism.

**Outcomes**

Through our clinical training for professionals such as doctors, dentists, teachers, businesses, and first responders, the capacity and quality of care for individuals with autism has increased. This has enabled early diagnosis and intervention, provided preventive care for patients with autism, prevented crisis situations, brought evidence-based practices to classrooms and community providers, increased understanding of individuals with autism among businesses providing employment, and provided necessary guidance on how to respond in times of crisis.

We have reduced the impact on emergency personnel and associated costs when individuals with autism are unnecessarily admitted to emergency rooms or institutionalized. In addition, increased public awareness of autism has helped North Carolina to have a lower average age of diagnosis than the national norm. Research has shown that the earlier a child is diagnosed and can receive treatment, the lower their cost of care will be throughout their lives.

**Training/Workshop outcomes:**

- **98%** increased their knowledge on the subject material covered
- **97%** increased their ability to explain and demonstrate information to others
Creating Welcoming Communities

Leaders of S.H. Basnight and Sons have learned firsthand that when you employ adults with autism, everyone benefits. The small Hillsborough company that makes specialty hardware, doors, and frames employs two individuals with autism.

Terry Hamlet, President of Basnight and Sons, said she and her employees enjoy working with the young men. “I think that at the core of each person, they like the idea of doing something for other people,” Hamlet said. “Hopefully they can feel good about the fact that they work for people who care enough about other people to give them an opportunity.”

Lorraine La Pointe, Adam Ricci’s mother, said Basnight and Sons has done an “amazing” job of supporting him. “They are just naturals. He operates on a visual schedule, and they have magnetic boards set up for his tasks. They are just on it.”

Hamlet said that the employment supports instructors from ASNC, who accompany the individuals with autism on the job, are another key to success for them. With the job coaches supporting their clients well, there is more potential for growth in the job.

Ricci feels very comfortable with his Basnight co-workers and Hamlet; when he sees her in public, he greets her with a hug. She said they strive to make him a part of their team. La Pointe said they have gone a step further, including him in parties for holidays and birthdays; “they treat him like family.”

Hamlet says the effort was worth it. “My life and the life of our company is richer for having had them here. I really believe that.”

Donor Spotlight: Walmart Foundation

Two grants from the Walmart Foundation totaling $75,000 expanded ASNC’s efforts to help adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) find, keep, and thrive in jobs. Employment is a key part of a fulfilling life for adults, providing them with interaction with other people, a consistent schedule, and a sense of accomplishment. It has been estimated that about 80 percent of adults with ASD are unemployed or underemployed.

Since April 2014, more than 60 adults with ASD have obtained jobs across the state with the support of ASNC’s Employment Supports department. Employment Supports has served more than 100 individuals with work-readiness evaluations, job search, pre-vocational training, on-the-job training, ongoing job supports, and monthly support group meetings. More than 40 have attended JobTIPS training in the Triangle, Triad, and Fayetteville regions, learning the skills necessary for networking, creating a resume, and interviewing.

Shannon Pena, Employment Supports Coordinator in Greensboro, said JobTIPS has been especially helpful for high-functioning individuals who needed help with social aspects of work. The training helps them learn how to approach situations such as discussing new opportunities with supervisors. One participant attended JobTIPS expecting to seek a new job but then used his training to receive a promotion at the job he already had. Another participant used what he learned to fill out an online job application and land a job as a lifeguard for the summer.

ASNC’s Employment Supports program is specifically tailored for individuals to ensure they are placed in a job that reflects their unique interests and abilities. Individuals also receive comprehensive training and ongoing support throughout the program, to maintain employment in the long term.
The Autism Society of North Carolina community includes passionate, committed volunteers, corporate partners, and donors. We extend our heartfelt thanks to our donors who have made it possible for our loved ones with autism to remain healthy, safe, and living successfully in their communities.

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Beacon Transitions
Benevolence Causes
Blue Moon Water
Bobby R. Harold Family Trust
BrainCore Therapy of Charlotte
Brevard College
Broad Creek United Methodist Church
Buehler Motor Inc.
Bullseye Construction, Inc.
Butterfly Effects
Cape Fear Camera Club
Capital Bank
Capitol Pediatrics & Adolescent Center, PLLC
Carolina Ballet, Inc.
Carolina Pediatrics of the Triad
Cavinness and Cates Building and Development Co.
Center For Digestive Diseases and Cary Endoscopy Center, PC
CenturyLink
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Combustion Technologies Corp.
Commercial Site Design, PLLC
Corning, Inc.
Creekside Taphouse
Crosland Southeast
Cubbies, Inc.
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Dilworth Neighborhood Grille
Doherty’s Irish Pub & Restaurant Cary
Dr. Lail’s Fund for Children of the Triangle Community Foundation
Durham Academy’s Autism Awareness Club
Eagle Carports, Inc.
Eastern Psychiatric and Behavioral Specialists, PLLC
ECU Family Autism Center
Evonik Corporation
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Highland Park Baptist Church, Inc.
HomeCare Management Corporation
Hugh Chatham Memorial Corporation
Innovative Construction Group, LLC (ICG)
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J.G. Coram Company, Inc.
Jersey Mikes
Johnson Farm Operations, Inc.
Johnson Granite, Inc.
Juicy Lucy’s Burger Bar and Grill
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Learfield Communications, Inc.
Lenoir County Community Foundation
Liberty Mutual Life Alliance, LLC
Lilly’s Pizza, Inc.
LJ Wings, Inc.
Lowes’ Home Improvement
Main Oak Emporium
McDonald’s
Mendenhall Family Foundation, Inc.
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Off ‘N Running, Inc./Fleet Feet Sports
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Osteria Cicchetti, LLC
Overhead Door Company of Greenville, Inc.
Pauls Creek Baptist Church
Paypal Giving Fund
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Piedmont Triad Mechanical, LLC
Pilot Club Of Laurinburg
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PSAV
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Rack Room Shoes
Raleigh Pediatric Dentistry
Randleman High School/HOSA
Renaissance Charitable Foundation, Inc.
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Food Lion
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Garnet Farm
Girl Scouts Carolinas - Troop 40465
Hampton Inn & Suites-Southpark at Phillips Place
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Harnett Cruisers, Inc.
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Home Credit Corporation, Inc.
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Hunters Creek Elementary School
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Pops Backdoor South
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Progressive Pilates
Pureflow, Inc.
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Red T-Shirt Company
Relay NC
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Southern Fit, LLC
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Spellbound Children’s Bookshop
Spring Rolls LLC
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Stock Car Steel and Aluminum, Inc.
Strong Institute, Inc.
Summersell Elementary School
Supreme Maintenance Organization
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Texas Roadhouse Restaurant
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The Benevity Community Impact Fund
The Mason Jar, Inc.
The Porter House Bar & Grill
The Root Cellar Café & Catering
The Vineyard Inc.
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We are committed... Together

Financial Position
July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015

Operating Revenue

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<td>State of NC Contract</td>
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All of the money that we raise stays in North Carolina, with 89 cents of every dollar donated going directly to programs for individuals with autism.

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The Autism Society of North Carolina relies on donor giving to our annual campaign, A Lifetime Together, to improve the lives of individuals with autism and their families.

Our annual campaign will increase the number of children, adults, and families that we are able to serve.

When you give to the Autism Society of North Carolina, you make an investment that improves lives well beyond the day you make a gift. If you give a scholarship for a camper, he will learn new skills – such as how to make a friend – and build upon them for the rest of his life.

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If you give a scholarship for a young adult to attend our JobTIPS training, he or she will use those skills to gain employment, a key part of a fulfilling adult life.

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We share your passion for improving lives, supporting families, and educating communities. Together, we can make a difference for the growing number of loved ones with autism. Together, we will share a lifetime.
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