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ANNUAL REPORT



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WHO WE ARE

We strive to improve the lives of those affected by autism in Southern Arizona. Through our information and referral program we provide families individualized support. Our programs offer community, support and education.

MEET THE TEAM

Board President, Jared Perkins is passionate about pediatric healthcare and has experience in both physical and behavioral health care systems. He is the CEO of Children's Clinics, a member of the Community Advisory Council for the Sonoran University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD), and a member of the Governor's Committee for Autism Spectrum Disorder.

Associate Director, Brie Seward has been a part of ASSA's marketing committee since 2016. She has completed the ArizonaLEND and Pilot Parents Partners in Leadership programs. She has nine years of corporate marketing and ecommerce experience. She became a child advocate when her son was diagnosed with autism.



JARED PERKINS

Board President



BRIE SEWARD

Associate Director



**BOARD OF
DIRECTORS**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors includes professionals in the fields of law, medicine, engineering, accounting, marketing, non-profit, finance, behavioral health and self-advocates.

Officers:

Jared Perkins, Board President

CEO, Children's Clinics

Pete Schwarz, Immediate Past President

Sr. Project Manager, Engineer at GHD

Kyle Lininger, Vice President

Divisional Director of Integrated Care at Intermountain Centers

Terry Randolph, Vice President

Children's Healthcare Administrator at Arizona Complete Health

Gina Khawam, Treasurer

Tax Senior at BeachFleischman

Hailey Thoman, Secretary

Associate Director at Direct Center for Independence

Chairs:

Dr. Sydney Rice, Professional Advisory Committee Chair

Developmental Pediatrician, Professional Pediatrics at the University of Arizona

Ray Frieders, Marketing Committee Chair

Production Manager at Cox Media

Lynda Weigel-Firor, Family Advisory Committee Chair

Independent Grant Writer

Hattie Groskind, Self-Advocate Committee Chair

Self-Advocate and Recent U of A Graduate

Jonathan William Reich, Elder Law Attorney

June Wood, PhD, Education Consultant

Amy Figliolino, Branch Manager for Tucson Federal Credit Union

Ray Frieders, Production Manager at Cox Media

Laura Valenzuela, Speech Language Pathologist at Milestone Pediatrics

Sal Hernandez, CPA-Managing Member at ESSENTAGE

Joshua Anbar, Public Health Doctoral Student

Honorary Board Member:

Courtney Henson, Attorney at Snell & Wilmer





OUR PROGRAMS

3K

TOTAL INDIVIDUALS SERVED

500

TOTAL CALLS RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION & SUPPORT IN 2018

2K

IN ATTENDANCE AT THE 13TH ANNUAL AUTISM WALK & RESOURCE FAIR

Speaker Series

We offer free educational discussions on a quarterly basis that empower parents, professionals, and students with current information about autism. Our Speaker Series brings the community together and features experts in the field of autism, family members experiencing ASD, and advocates

Sensory Friendly Films

We partner with AMC Theaters at Foothills Mall to provide 50 complimentary tickets to those who attend Sensory Friendly Films. During the movie, the lights and sound are turned down, and families can bring their own snacks.



Teen Meet Ups

We partnered with Playformance, a play-based gym, to provide a place for teens to meet up once a month. During the meet up, two coaches facilitate team building, taking turns, and teaching solutions for working together.

Sonoran Dolphins

Saguaro Aquatics provides swimming lessons specifically designed for children with autism. Our collaborative partnership has created a unique water safety and swimming lesson that allows children with autism to feel comfortable, safe, and swim with ease.



Social Club

The Social Club provides an opportunity for adults with autism to socialize, develop friendships, and discuss life challenges. The club meets once a month and discussions range from living independently to navigating college and employment.

STEAM! Camps

We partnered with the University of Arizona to provide STEAM! (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) camps on campus. The camps are geared toward 8-16 year olds and provide parents with education trainings related to transition programs.



STEPPING STONES PROGRAM

The Autism Society of Southern Arizona partnered with Arizona Complete Health and UA Cooperative Extension to make the Stepping Stones program possible. The Stepping Stones Child Behavior Management class took place over six weeks at no cost to the families.

Classes were open to seven families at a time and taught parents how to better manage child's behaviors. The two-hour classes focused on communication and problem-solving, as well as self-care for parents.

The program demonstrated a decreased stress level for parents, as well as less intense child misbehavior. Participants have expressed positive feedback about the impact of the program.

"Since taking the class, it's definitely calmed me down. I know how to handle things a lot better."

-Mother from the program

"We learned a lot of tools and techniques to improve the life quality of our kids."

-Father from the program

"Stepping Stones helped my child get ready for school and enhanced her self esteem."

-Mother from the program

OUR AUTISM WALK SUPPORTERS

TOP

Arizona Complete Health - Sustaining Supporter
Premiere Wealth Advisors - Title Sponsor
Arizona Lotus Corporation - Media
Arizona Bilingual News - Media

GOLD

Tucson Electric Power
Arizona ELKS Major Projects

SILVER & BRONZE

Happy Saguaro - Silver
Intermountain Centers - Bronze
Absolute HCBS - Bronze
Autism Academy for Education & Development LLC - Bronze
BeachFleischman PC - Bronze
Center for Neurosciences - Bronze
Cox - Bronze
Hope Group - Bronze
FABAS - Bronze
Pathways of Arizona - Bronze
Tucson Federal Credit Union - Bronze
Truly Nolen - Bronze
Trumpet Behavioral Health - Bronze
Guild Mortgage - Bronze
Wildcat Plumbing - Bronze
Intuit - Bronze
Southwest Gas - Bronze
Snell & Wilmer - Bronze
CarMax Foundation - Bronze
Clindren's Clinics - Bronze

EVENT

Chapel Haven West - Bags
Direct Center of Independence - Resource Fair
Illegal Pete's LLC - Water
Autism Spectrum Therapies, Truly Nolen & Absolute -
Balloons
Banner Family Health Plans- Golf Cart

FINANCIAL POSITION

For the year ended December 31, 2018

OPERATING REVENUE

Contributions & Grants	\$ 50,587	(36%)
Special Events	\$ 87,886	(63%)
Other Revenue	\$ 1,635	(1%)
TOTAL	\$ 140,108	(100%)

OPERATING EXPENSES

Program Expenses	\$ 70,910	(52%)
Administration Expenses	\$ 26,470	(19%)
Fundraising Expenses	\$ 39,300	(29%)
TOTAL	\$ 136,680	(100%)

PROGRAM EXPENSES

Community Outreach & Support	\$ 45,217	(64%)
Education / Training	\$ 24,120	(34%)
Advocacy / Public Policy	\$ 1,573	(2%)
TOTAL	\$ 70,910	(100%)

ASSETS

Cash	\$ 88,021	(100%)
TOTAL	\$ 88,021	(100%)

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Current Liabilities	\$ 611	(1%)
Net Assets	\$ 87,410	(99%)
TOTAL	\$ 88,021	(100%)

2019 AUTISM WALK AND RESOURCE FAIR

The Autism Society of Southern Arizona held the 13th annual Autism Walk and Resource Fair on April 6th at Kino Sports Complex. This walk boasted the highest sponsor total to date (\$40K), as well as the most entertainment and food options compared to previous years.

Thank you to all our top sponsors: Arizona Complete Health, Premiere Wealth Advisors, Arizona Lotus Corporation, and Arizona Bilingual News.

\$110K
TOTAL REVENUE

2,000+
TOTAL ATTENDEES

80
**RESOURCE FAIR
EXHIBITORS**

"The walk is a great opportunity to support my little brother and to know that he is not alone."

"I liked all the community coming together to support autism."

"I love the complexity and all the vendors and community partners."





INFO & REFERRAL RESOURCES

OUR MISSION IS TO IMPROVE
THE LIVES OF ALL THOSE
AFFECTED BY AUTISM
THROUGH:

- Advocacy
- Education
- Programs
- Support
- Services

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