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Autism Society of Ohio Celebrates Differences for Autism Acceptance Month

Autism Acceptance is promoted throughout April through events, advocacy.

Columbus, OH, April 2, 2024 --This April, the Autism Society of Ohio (ASO) is inviting the Autism community to be the connection to resources, acceptance, and each other. Autism Acceptance Month kicks off on April 1, and the Autism Society celebrates the varied experiences within the Autism community and highlights the critical need for us to turn acceptance into action.

Autism is the fastest-growing developmental disability in the United States, with increasing prevalence rates continuing to create an urgent need for equitable support and services. [1 in 36 children are diagnosed with Autism](#), which can be attributed to a variety of factors, primarily improved diagnostic screening, and identification, as well as an increased prevalence rate itself.

"Autism Acceptance Month allows us to take action through acceptance to provide the Autism community with the support, services, and resources needed," states Christopher Banks, President and CEO of the Autism Society of America. "The Autism Society has continued to develop strategic initiatives that break down systemic barriers and create more equitable solutions through programs like Safety on the Spectrum, Employment, and the Autism Justice Center."

As an affiliate of The Autism Society, ASO strives to bring a greater understanding of the needs of those affected by Autism in Ohio, promoting a broader continuum of services to connect everyone to the resources they need when they need them. Our #CelebrateDifferencesOhio theme highlights the uniqueness of each person with Autism and the infinite ways in which people experience life.

About the Autism Society of Ohio

As an affiliate of the nation's oldest leading grassroots Autism organization, ASO and the six local Ohio affiliates (Autism Society Central Ohio, Autism Society of Dayton, Autism Society Greater Akron, Autism Society Greater Cleveland, Autism Society of Mahoning Valley and Autism Society Northwest Ohio) are here to serve all Ohioans affected by Autism. By championing initiatives that advance equitable opportunities in healthcare, education, employment, safety, and public policy, and providing education, support and community programming, the organization has a state-wide reach, with meaningful local impact. For more information, go to www.autismohio.org.

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