



With your tax-deductible donations, Face Autism can provide the funding needed to support the screenings and the much needed therapy to help children with autism meet their developmental and educational needs.

Send your tax deductible donations to:
 Face Autism, Inc.
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Mission Statement

Face Autism, Inc. is committed to provide Autism/ ASD screenings and funding for therapeutic interventions for children with autism, regardless of their financial ability to pay. Our goal is to give these children the opportunity to significantly improve and maintain a balanced quality of life. "Early intervention is the key".



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**Providing Hope for
 Children with Autism**



Children with Autism Need Your Help

Autism is a brain development disorder typically characterized by impaired social interaction and communication, as well as obsessive or repetitive behavior. Causes of autism are not clearly defined and there is no known cure. Children with autism typically demonstrate characteristics of the disorder before age three.



High Cost of Treatment

Once diagnosed, it is crucial for a child with autism to obtain effective services, treatments, education and intervention. Unfortunately, parents and educators struggle with the financial burden of treatment, and in many cases the necessary resources are not readily available.

A recent study by Harvard professor Michael Ganz estimates the lifetime costs of caring for a child with autism to be \$3,200,000.

Programs and Services



Free Screenings

Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) begins before the age of three. Some children with ASD show hints of future problems within the first few months of life.

In others, symptoms may not show until 24 months of age or later. Some with ASD seem to develop normally until around 18 to 24 months of age and then stop learning new skills, or they lose the skills they once had. Studies have shown that 30 -50% of parents of children with ASD notice a problem before their child's first birthday, and nearly 80 -90% notice problems by 24 months of age. Early identification leads to early intervention. Don't make the mistake of "wait and see".

Face Autism uses the Autistic Diagnostic Observation Schedule (ADOS) tool which is a standardized test designed to assess behaviors related to Autism/ASD.



This test is administered by a Certified Floortime Therapist (CFT).

Therapy Funding

Our program will help provide the funding for a wide range of therapies. Effective autism treatment requires highly educated and trained therapists to treat the disorder. Each child may need a certain degree of intervention in some or all of the following disciplines: floortime play, occupational therapy, speech, craniosacral therapy, sensory auditory integration, behavior intervention, and Relationship Development Intervention (RDI).

Jordan's Friends

This is a special grant that Jordan would like to share with his friends. If you need additional funds for gluten free items, sensory toys, adaptive equipment, consultation fees, etc., Jordan would like to help you out.