

Gifts of acceptance



*"I was in crisis when we first spoke. Now, I feel centered. I'm not panicking anymore – I finally have someone on my team who knows what's going on and has a plan until I can do it myself."
– AUSOM Community Member*



Dear Friends of AUSOM,

These are the words of a Maryland parent whose life was changed through the Autism Society of Maryland (AUSOM). Their story is one of many made possible because of you. As the holiday season arrives, our hearts are filled with deep gratitude for you – the incredible members of our AUSOM community.

Because of your generosity, AUSOM has connected more than 15,000 individuals this year. AUSOM provided vital resources, education, advocacy, and community programs – all free of charge. Every connection made, every smile shared, and every life touched happened because of you.

At a time of strain for our community nationally, together, we're building a Maryland where every person with Autism is not only included but truly celebrated. Help us reach even more people in 2026. Here is how your gift to AUSOM makes a difference.

- \$25** Support Groups for families and caregivers (English & Spanish)
 - \$50** Social Events that foster friendships and community connections
 - \$75** Trusted Information and Resources for families and professionals
 - \$100** Advocacy efforts at the local, state, and national levels
 - \$250** Madhu Fund Emergency Grants for urgent family needs
 - \$500** Swim Lesson Scholarships and wandering prevention programs
 - \$750** Autism Hiring Program connecting jobseekers and employers
 - \$1,000** Patuxent Commons Housing Project – now welcoming residents home!
- ...and of course your gift in any amount is greatly appreciated!**

Make your year-end gift today! Your donation stays in Maryland and benefits the Autism community throughout the year. Donate online by scanning the QR code or send your gift by check in the enclosed envelope.

From all of us at AUSOM – thank you for giving the gift of acceptance, inclusion, and hope this holiday season.

Wishing you peace, joy, and connection,

Andrew Stettner, President

Melissa Rosenberg, Executive Director

Be the Connection.



Make your year-end gift today to the Autism Society of Maryland and ensure an even greater impact in 2026!

Donate online at <https://autismsocietymd.org>, scan the QR Code OR complete the form below and include it with your gift in the reply envelope to: AUSOM, 9770 Patuxent Woods Drive, #308, Columbia, MD 21046.

Name _____
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 I wish to set up a monthly donation of \$ _____ Please set up that charge to my credit card.
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