Founded in 1965, the Autism Society is the nation’s leading grassroots autism organization, and exists to improve the lives of all affected by autism. Annually, the Autism Society and its 78 local affiliates served over 620,000 individuals impacted by autism through advocacy, education, information and referrals, support services, and community building at the local, state and national level.

**AUTISM SOCIETY 101**

We believe every individual and family affected by autism should lead a quality life, and is accepted, supported, and treated with dignity and respect.

**Founded in 1965.**

The nation’s largest and oldest grassroots autism organization.

Our mission is to measurably improve the quality of life for all affected by autism.

Approximately 78 affiliates across 37 states.

Our network trained over 7,100 first responders to be better prepared and understand proper protocol for interactions with autistic individuals.

157,000 people attended over 8,000 Autism Society events across the country.

Over 3,500 individuals send letters to representatives through the Autism Society Action Center annually.

Find a local affiliate in your area to get the help, support and resources you need.

138 Advocacy events were held by affiliates across the country.

Five core services: advocacy, education, information and referrals, support, and community.

Our network fielded over 225k phone calls, emails and support inquiries.

Our National Helpline offers our trained Information & Referral (I&R) Specialists to provide resources to services and supports across the country. To speak to an I&R Specialist directly, call 800-3-AUTISM (800-328-8476), or email info@autism-society.org.

Visit www.Autism-Society.org to learn more.