



# Autism Society Northwestern Pennsylvania

January 21, 2026

Dear Friends,

As we prepare to celebrate a remarkable milestone, we invite you to be part of something truly special. On Saturday, April 25, 2026, the Autism Society Northwestern Pennsylvania will proudly host the 25th Annual Walk for Autism, a signature event that has empowered, connected, and uplifted families and individuals living with Autism in our community for a quarter of a century.

We are especially honored to announce that John and Kate Fox, the visionary founders of our Walk for Autism, will serve as our 2026 Walk Chair Family. Their unwavering commitment and leadership have shaped this event into a symbol of hope, inclusion, and forward progress.

For 25 years, we've walked side-by-side with our community to:

- Raise awareness and understanding of Autism
- Advocate for inclusion and acceptance
- Develop life skills, job skills, and social opportunities
- Deliver therapeutic, educational, and family-centered programs

Today, we proudly offer:

- 13 therapeutic programs
- 5 family support initiatives
- 12 sensory and social opportunities

... and we continue to grow. ***But we can't do it without you.***

With 1 in 34 children and 1 in 45 adults now diagnosed with Autism, the need for meaningful, local support is greater than ever. Your sponsorship will help sustain and expand programs that change lives right here in our region.

We invite you to join us as a Benefactor for this milestone year. It's more than a sponsorship, it's a commitment to a community that is still growing, still striving, and still in need of strong partners like you.

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*Autism Society NWPA was*

*selected as the 2023*

*Affiliate of the Year by*

*Autism Society of America,*

*amongst ~70 affiliates*

*nationwide.*

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**Let's honor the past 25 years — and build the next 25 — together.**

Thank you for considering this opportunity. Enclosed you will find our 2026 sponsorship packages. Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions by calling (814) 455-3540 or email me at [tbartlett@autismnwpa.org](mailto:tbartlett@autismnwpa.org). I'd love to speak with you personally about how your support will make a difference.

Warmly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tish Bartlett". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Tish Bartlett, AC  
Executive Director

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*"Chairing the 2026 Autism Society Northwestern Pennsylvania's Walk for Autism will mark a special milestone for the Fox Family: 25 consecutive years of participating in the Walk for Autism. In 2001, when our oldest son, Donovan, was diagnosed with autism, we discovered that there were no local community events to support individuals with autism and their families. Our family traveled to Pittsburgh to participate in a walk event. It inspired Kate to bring a Walk event to Erie. The following year, with John's support and the efforts of several fellow autism families, ASNWPA's premiere fundraising event was launched. Initially, the event's aim was to raise awareness of autism. Twenty-five years later, ASNWPA is now focused on increasing acceptance of autism throughout Northwestern Pennsylvania. This is achieved through offerings of educational resources, implementation of programs across the lifespan to expand the skills and experiences of individuals with autism, and planned fellowship activities for individuals, family members and caregivers. Our entire family is excited to support this event again in 2026. Please join us as we Walk to ensure ASNWPA's contributions to the autism community for 25 more years, and beyond.*

— The Fox Family | John, Kate, Donovan, Aidan, Kassie, Kayden, and Finley

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# HELP US GROW

## 25th Annual Walk for Autism

April 25, 2026



2026 WALK CHAIR | FOX FAMILY

### BENEFACTOR OF THE WALK!

Your company/  
organization logo in all  
advertising; Premium  
placement on Walk  
Commemorative Apparel.

Logo and company  
description on our social  
media platforms.

Logo on our website.

Acknowledged at the Walk  
during stage  
announcements.

Walk photo frame.  
thank you presentation  
and shared on social  
media platforms.

Up to 15 Walk  
registrations,  
complimentary vendor  
table & hang your banner  
at the event stage.

Please use the form to list  
walkers' names along with size  
choices.

**\$8,000**

## H A R V E S T E R

### BENEFACTOR FOR THE KIDZ EXPLORATION STATION!

Your company/  
organization logo in  
advertising; Premium  
placement on Walk  
Commemorative Apparel.

Logo and company  
description on our social  
media platforms.

Acknowledged at the Walk  
during stage  
announcements.

Walk photo frame.  
thank you presentation,  
and shared on social  
media platforms.

Up to 10 Walk  
registrations,  
complimentary  
vendor table, hang your  
banner at the Kidz Exploration  
Station, & provide company  
giveaways (child appropriate)

Please use the form to list walkers'  
names along with size choices.

**\$4,000**

## C U L T I V A T O R

### BENEFACTOR FOR THE COFFEE & HOT CHOCOLATE STATION!

Your company/  
organization logo placed  
mid-level placement on  
Walk Commemorative  
Apparel.

Logo on our social  
media platforms.

Acknowledged at the  
Walk during general  
announcements.

Up to 5 Walk  
registrations,  
complimentary,  
signage at the coffee &  
hot chocolate  
concession stand.

Please use the form to list  
walkers' names along with size  
choices.

**\$3,000**

## G A R D N E R

### BENEFACTOR FOR THE TEAM PHOTO STATION!

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### BENEFACTOR FOR THE SELFIE STATION!

Your company/  
organization logo Walk  
Commemorative Apparel  
Logo on our social media  
platforms.

Acknowledged at the  
Walk during general  
announcements.

Up to 2 Walk  
registrations.

Please use the form to list  
walkers' names along with size  
choices.

**\$1,500**

## P L A N T E R

### BENEFACTOR FOR THE VOLUNTEER & VENDOR SWAG BAGS!

Your company/  
organization name  
placed on Walk  
Commemorative  
Apparel.

Label with your logo on  
250 Swag Bags.

Acknowledged at the  
Walk during general  
announcements.

**\$600**

## S E E D L I N G

\_\_\_\_\_ (name/company name) is donating  
\$\_\_\_\_\_ to benefit the 2026 programming and Family Center of the **Autism Society NWP**  
\_\_\_\_\_ Walk Team (if applicable).

Official logos should be provided prior to **March 31, 2026**, in order to meet print deadlines. Please send logos via email in EPS and JPEG format to [tbartlett@autismnwpa.org](mailto:tbartlett@autismnwpa.org) for GARDNER, PLANTER, SEEDLING Benefactor. HARVESTER & CULTIVATOR Benefactor logo deadline: February 15, 2026, to be included in the Walk marketing.

I would like our hoodies packed with Team\_\_\_\_\_  We will pick up our hoodies at ASNWPA Office.

*Listed number of complimentary registrations receive a commemorative hoodie.  
Any additional registrations may be added to your team at [autismnwpa.org](http://autismnwpa.org).*

- Harvester (\$8,000) ~ up to 15 Walk Registrations**
- Planter (\$1,500) ~ up to 2 Walk Registrations**
- Cultivator (\$4,000) ~ Up to 10 Walk Registrations**
- Seedling (\$600) Name on Walk Apparel**
- Gardner (\$3,000) ~ Up to 5 Walk Registrations**

PLEASE: Walkers who desire Commemorative Walk apparel must register separately and pay registration fee.

# REG.	WALKER's NAME	HOODIE ADULT SIZE (Circle size)					
		S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL
1		S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL
2		S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL
3		S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL
4		S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL
5		S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL
6		S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL
7		S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL
8		S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL

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# REG	WALKER's NAME	HOODIES ADULT SIZE (Circle size)					
9		S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL
10		S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL
11		S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL
12		S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL
13		S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL
14		S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL
15		S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL

**PLEASE NOTE:**

Commemorative Walk Hoodies may be substituted with the Commemorative Walk T-shirt or long sleeve. Please make a note next to the walker's name. Otherwise, all complimentary walk registrations will receive a hoodie.

**DEADLINE FOR COMPLIMENTARY WALK REGISTRATION ORDERS:**

Complimentary walk registrations orders MUST be received by April 1, 2026, to receive the 2026 commemorative walk apparel. Any complimentary walk registrations received after April 1, 2026, will not be guaranteed Walk apparel.

**ON-SITE REGISTRATION:**

On-site registration will be \$25 (age 15 & up); \$15 (age 10-14) and will not include 2026 Walk Apparel.

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