

1 IN 150 IS **1** TOO MANY



STOP THE RISE IN AUTISM

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Dear TACA Family:

Since I started TACA, so many people have asked me, “How can I help?” I have always responded by telling them to take care of their family and beloved children.

In the last few years, we have asked you to go a little further — to reach out to your extended community of family and friends to raise awareness about autism and to help TACA raise funds to continue its mission of improving the quality of life for people with autism.

Many of our family, friends and colleagues have seen us go weeks without sleep, struggle to find appropriate services for our children, seen the effect of stress on our families, and listened to us cry about what the future holds for our beautiful children. They have often asked, “How can we help?” And often, we haven’t known how to answer.

This is how the TACA Family and Friends campaign was born. This is a way for you to reach out to your circle, educate them about autism, and show them how they can help your family and so many other families like yours by contributing to the Family and Friends campaign. You have a tremendous ability to help children with autism through your extended network. Not only do we need more people to understand what autism is about, we also need them to know that TACA is there to help families like mine and yours.

The TACA community has come through in amazing ways — raising more than \$112,000 over the last three years through this campaign. The difference those funds have made for families is staggering — we could not do what we are doing without your help.

This year the TACA family and friends campaign is even more important — as we are reaching out to so many more people. In late 2007, TACA expanded from California to the United States, more than doubling the number of families we are serving. We need your help to go even further this year and help us raise \$100,000 to help TACA continue and expand its program throughout the United States.

Through your support you help TACA help your family and the many new families that receive the autism diagnosis each day. They need our help and strength as they begin this journey. We can’t do this without you.

With gratitude,

Lisa Ackerman
TACA Founder



FRIENDS TO FAMILIES WITH AUTISM

Thank You for helping TACA families

TACA now supports over 2000 families.