



TACA ANNUAL REPORT 2016

dear friends,

TACA has had a great growth year serving over 50,000 families living with autism. The foundation is a constant blur of activity; helping families, building relationships, and expanding our community. There is no slow time at TACA, we always struggle with the amount we need to get done. What I marvel at is we always get it done! This could not have happened without the fantastic people dedicated to the TACA mission. Thank you all for helping TACA help families.

The families we serve inspire us at TACA. Each year we pick a theme for Autism Action month to inspire our Family and Friends Campaign. For 2016, we made the choice to feature Autism Tough based on our inspiration – TACA families! Families living with autism are some of the toughest people I know. They make the most and best of every situation and challenge. These families and their children rise above the autism label and work tirelessly to overcome obstacles on a daily basis. They inspire me every day to do everything we can to help them succeed over every hurdle they face.



TACA does more every year in accomplishments with a great team. That team includes hundreds of dedicated volunteers helping each family drive to effective treatments and therapies. I appreciate their hard work and focus. We want to ensure every individual living with autism has the opportunities to meet their full potential.

Autism is STILL the least funded disability in America with more individuals diagnosed than any other childhood disability. 1 in 68 U.S. children are diagnosed with autism. Despite this challenge, TACA continues to find ways to acquire help and provide our programs every year with very little funding. We are always looking for more help for our mission.

In closing, the hope I have for my child and all our children remains –together, we will work towards the future and create positive outcomes for all of our kids. TACA will be here for those families. Thank you for being a friend to families living with autism.

All my best for 2017 & beyond,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Lisa'.

Lisa Ackerman
Executive Director



D. BLAYTON

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SHERMAN COUNTY
OREGON

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at a glance

Year Established 2000

Executive Director Lisa Ackerman

Employees 14 Paid Staff Members (11 Full-time, 3 Part-time)

Volunteer Contributions 693 Volunteers Delivering TACA's Mission

Clients Served 50,000 Families Served

Programs Offered

Monthly Meetings & Coffee Talks
Parent Empowerment and Support
Autism Youth Ambassadors
Parent Mentor Program
Autism Education Events and
Conferences

Autism Journey Guides and Blueprints
Website, E-Newsletters and Event Listings
Scholarship Programs
Education, Outreach and Services in Spanish
Legal Advocacy

Major Annual Events

10th Annual Ante Up for Autism
TACA National Conference

13th Annual TACA Family Picnic

Website www.tacanow.org

Social Media

Facebook: [talkaboutcuringautism](https://www.facebook.com/talkaboutcuringautism)
Instagram: [@TACAnow](https://www.instagram.com/TACAnow)

Twitter: [@tacafoundation](https://twitter.com/tacafoundation)



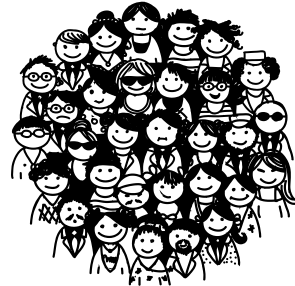
TACA

TALK ABOUT CURING AUTISM

2016

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

MEMBERSHIP



MORE THAN

50,000
FAMILIES
SERVED

VOLUNTEERS



WE HAVE AWESOME
693 VOLUNTEERS

THAT CONTINUE TO HELP PEOPLE
AND DELIVER OUR MESSAGE

SUPPORT



WE HAVE RESPONDED
TO A
TOTAL OF **31,046**
SUPPORT CALLS & EMAILS

2,993
JOURNEY GUIDES
HAVE BEEN GIVEN AWAY
IN 30 STATES



409 SCHOLARSHIPS
AWARDED TO
FAMILIES

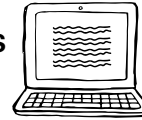
EVENTS, MEETINGS & WEBINARS



28 FAMILY
EVENTS
4,368
ATTENDEES



98 MEETINGS
& SEMINARS
444 COFFEE
TALKS
4,949 ATTENDEES



28
WEBINARS
1,137
ATTENDEES

WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA



1.66M
PAGE VIEWS

FROM ALMOST
700,000
UNIQUE VISITORS



64,500
FACEBOOK FOLLOWERS
11M TOTAL REACH
16,000 MORE THAN 2015



CONFERENCE

2 CONFERENCES
1,195 ATTENDEES
380 FROM PA & 815 FROM CA



CHAPTERS

4 NEW
CHAPTERS



OKLAHOMA, NORTH CAROLINA, NEW HAMPSHIRE & COLORADO
32 TOTAL CHAPTERS
IN 27 STATES WITH 61 VOLUNTEER COORDINATORS

board of directors



Glen Ackerman



Lisa Ackerman



Keith Banning



Dan Carney



Erich Kreidler



Elizabeth McCoy



Patrick Mcilvain



Robby Saggi

physician advisory

We are honored to have the following Board-Certified pediatricians and medical specialists serve as Physicians Advisory Board Members:



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mission & vision statement

Our Mission

Talk About Curing Autism (TACA) is a national non-profit 501 (c) (3) organization dedicated to educating, empowering, and supporting families affected by autism. For families who have just received the autism diagnosis, TACA aims to speed up the cycle time from the autism diagnosis to effective treatments. TACA helps to strengthen the autism community by connecting families and the professionals who can help them, allowing them to share stories and information to improve the quality of life for people with autism.

Our Vision

TACA believes in early diagnosis, intensive therapies and medical intervention for children affected by autism. Through early intervention, medical treatment unique to each person's needs and necessary support services for families, many children can improve greatly and some can recover from their autistic symptoms. We believe the future is not defined for many children affected by autism. Hope and recovery is possible.



key relationships

TACA is grateful for the other 2,000 supporters fund our mission and teams to help families living with autism.

Our goal is to highlight a couple of our key partners and thank them for the dedication to the families we serve.



TACA is grateful to have the support of Happy Family Brands since 2013. Happy Family supports TACA by offering free food products for our family events and sponsorship programs. In 2016 Happy Family Brands President Shazi Visram awarded TACA co-founder Lisa Ackerman with the 1st annual Lifetime Achievement award.



2016 is TACA's 10th year working with KCBS Jack FM in Los Angeles, California. They have helped TACA reach thousands in Southern California with radio spots, contests and being the beneficiary of Jack's 11th Show.



In addition to the great support of Jack FM, TACA also benefitted from sponsorship and support from the world famous KROQ at our Ante up for Autism event.

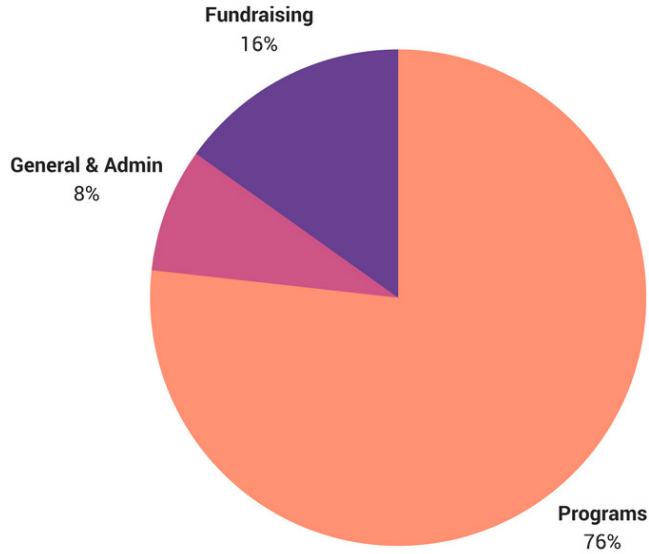
American Legion
Child Welfare Foundation



We are incredibly grateful to the American Legion Child Welfare Foundation. Grant funds from this foundation made it possible for TACA to print and disseminate a revised (2016) edition of the Autism Journey Guide. This Guide serves as a lifeline to so many parents throughout their autism journey, offering valuable tools and resources. With American Legion's support the Autism Journey Guide is helping more families get the support and resources they need.

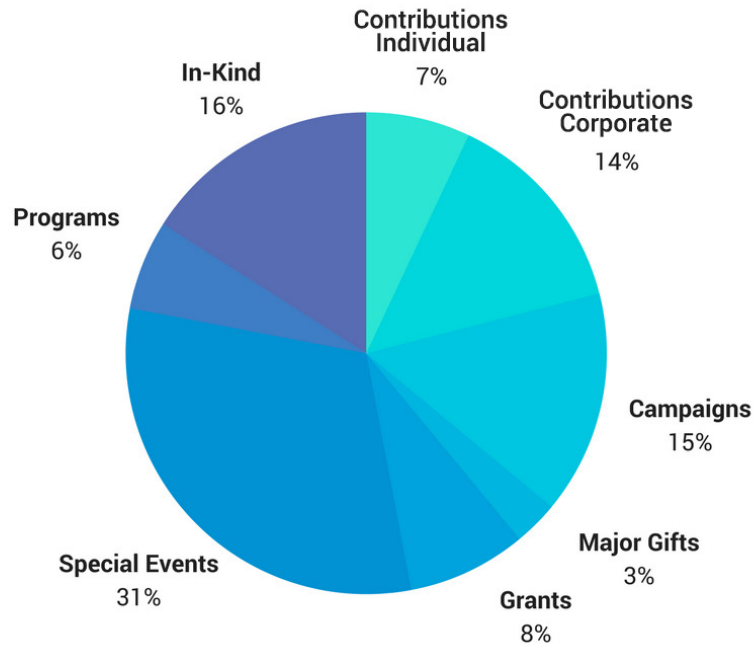
expense breakout

based on 2016 audited financial statements



revenue breakout

based on 2016 audited financial statements



statements of financial position

(As of December 31, 2016 & 2015)

	December 31,	
	2016	2015
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 445,576	\$ 282,562
Pledges receivable	30,745	77,739
Accounts receivable	4,670	4,725
Prepaid expenses	7,726	12,495
Investments	2,780	2,941
Inventory	<u>2,955</u>	<u>--</u>
Total Current Assets	494,452	380,462
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, NET	10,950	14,337
OTHER ASSETS		
Intangible assets, net	42,791	19,233
Deposits	<u>8,251</u>	<u>8,251</u>
Total Other Assets	<u>51,042</u>	<u>27,484</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 556,444</u>	<u>\$ 422,283</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 62,901	\$ 50,577
Accrued payroll and related expenses	23,181	20,870
Accrued paid time off	12,283	10,390
Deferred revenue	12,335	17,000
Note payable to related party, current portion	<u>--</u>	<u>1,230</u>
Total Current Liabilities	110,700	100,067
NON CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Note payable to related party, net of current portion	<u>--</u>	<u>1,743</u>
Total Non Current Liabilities	<u>--</u>	<u>1,743</u>
COMMITMENTS (Note 9)		
TOTAL LIABILITIES	110,700	101,810
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted	382,078	243,919
Temporarily restricted	<u>63,666</u>	<u>76,554</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u>445,744</u>	<u>320,473</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	<u>\$ 556,444</u>	<u>\$ 422,283</u>

statements of activities

(As of December 31, 2016 & 2015)

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	December 31,	
			2016	2015
REVENUE AND SUPPORT				
Contributions	\$ 731,041	\$ 97,271	\$ 828,312	\$ 820,058
In-kind contributions	284,000	--	284,000	250,931
Program revenue	86,351	--	86,351	58,718
Membership dues	13,350	--	13,350	16,905
Interest income	724	--	724	571
Net assets released from restrictions	110,159	(110,159)	--	--
TOTAL REVENUE AND SUPPORT	<u>1,225,625</u>	<u>(12,888)</u>	<u>1,212,737</u>	<u>1,147,183</u>
SPECIAL EVENTS				
Special events revenue	950,702	--	950,702	575,442
Direct special events expense	(397,385)	--	(397,385)	(183,995)
TOTAL SPECIAL EVENTS	<u>553,317</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>553,317</u>	<u>391,447</u>
PRODUCT SALES				
Product sales	13,761	--	13,761	22,673
Cost of goods sold	(4,337)	--	(4,337)	(16,165)
TOTAL PRODUCT SALES	<u>9,424</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>9,424</u>	<u>6,508</u>
TOTAL REVENUE AND SUPPORT	1,788,366	(12,888)	1,775,478	1,545,138
EXPENSES				
Program services	1,248,007	--	1,248,007	1,139,759
Supporting services:				
Management and general	136,989	--	136,989	110,879
Fundraising	265,211	--	265,211	266,560
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>1,650,207</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>1,650,207</u>	<u>1,517,198</u>
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	138,159	(12,888)	125,271	27,940
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>243,919</u>	<u>76,554</u>	<u>320,473</u>	<u>292,533</u>
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 382,078</u>	<u>\$ 63,666</u>	<u>\$ 445,744</u>	<u>\$ 320,473</u>

donor honor roll



100,000+

Warne Family Charitable Foundation

\$25,000 - \$49,999

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American Legion Child Welfare Foundation

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KROQ

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\$10,000 - \$24,999

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