



Autism After 21

Presentation to IACC

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SCOPE

It is estimated that there are at least 2 million adults in the US who are on the autism spectrum

Over 50,000 individuals with autism become adults each year

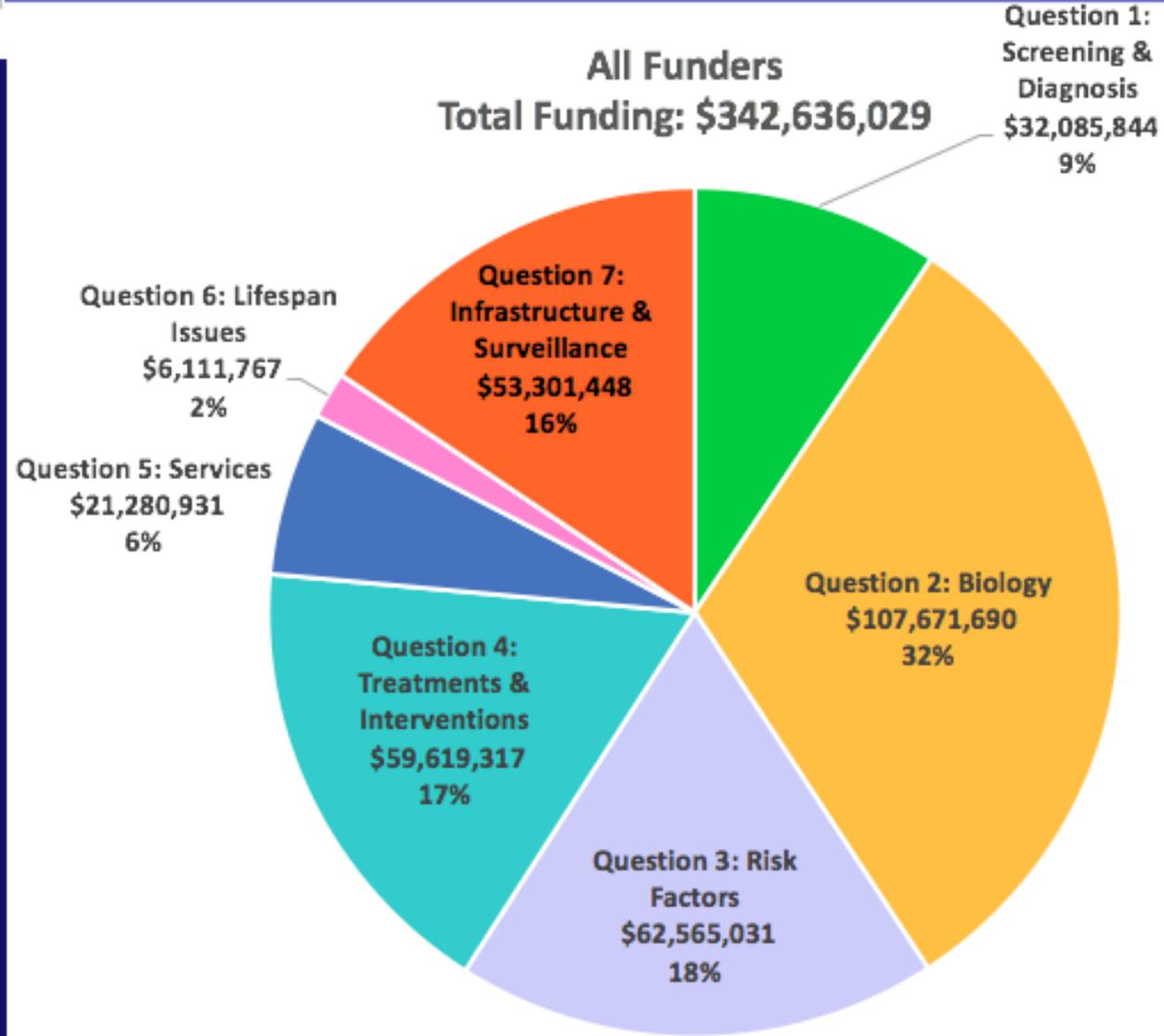
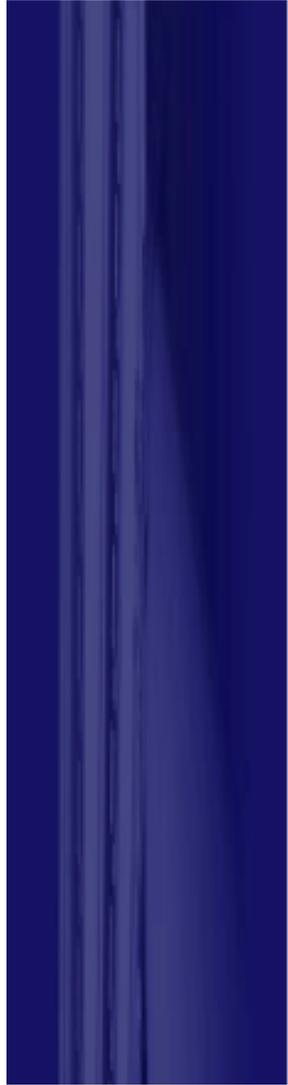
By 2020, more than 500,000 children will age out of the system

Estimated cost (direct services + lost productivity of individuals and parents) is \$300 billion per year

Over 1 million adults with I/DD are living with caregivers over the age of 60

2015 IACC ASD Portfolio Analysis

ASD Research Funding by IACC Strategic Plan Question

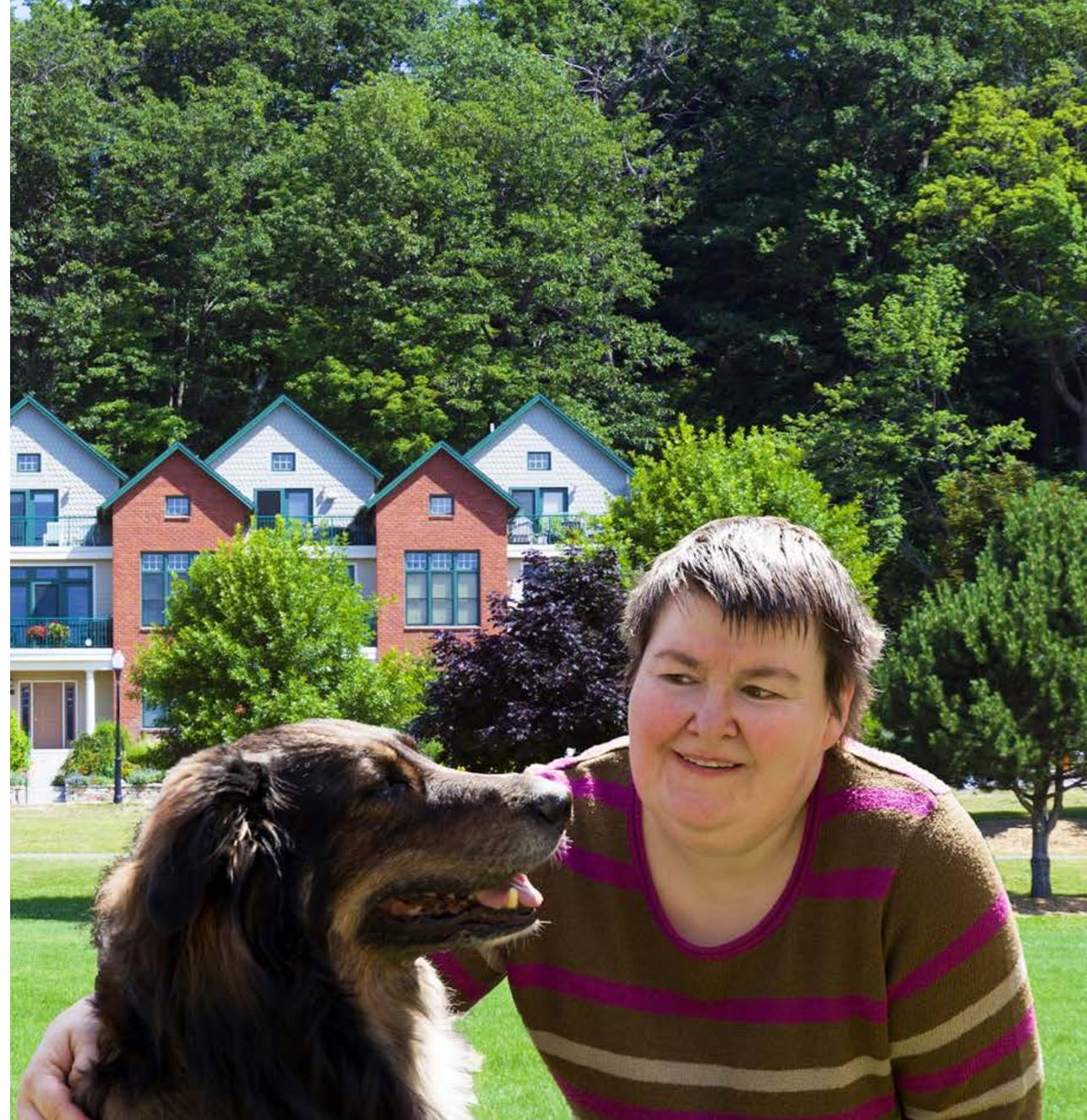


PROGRESS IN NATIONAL TRENDS FOR ADULTS WITH AUTISM & OTHERS

Societal change in expectations

Focus on person-centered planning

Move from institutional models of care toward home
and community-based settings



**Madison House Autism Foundation
has identified the following
lifespan challenges impacting
adults with autism:**

Lack of appropriate and affordable housing

Excessive Unemployment/underemployment

Insufficient post-secondary
education/vocational training

Lack of medical care by informed providers who
understand the unique nature of autism



Our communities need to understand

Autistic children grow up to be autistic adults.

We can't create solutions if we don't know there's a need.

Currently, Madison House Autism Foundation is focusing on three points:

1. Creating a national consciousness about adults on the autism spectrum and their talents, abilities and challenges
2. Addressing housing crisis facing adults with autism and I/DD
3. Working locally to produce prototypes of endeavors to benefit adults on the spectrum at Madison Fields



MADISON HOUSE AUTISM FOUNDATION SALUTES AUTISM AFTER 21 DAY

An annual observance on April 21
to recognize the abilities of and
issues facing adults with autism

AUTISM AFTER 21 DAY

Success

Montgomery County and the State Maryland proclaimed April 21st as Autism After 21 Day

Shared information, promoted national social media campaign with videos, created blogs posts, and asked groups to commemorate the date

Autism After 21 Day Inaugural Breakfast brought together over 200 community members, elected officials, and business executives to acknowledge that there is a place for autistic adults in the workforce







#IMAGINE21 Mini-documentary Series

The #Imagine21 series is a robust social media campaign that sheds light on the complex issues facing adults with autism, while attempting to break down barriers that prevent the general population from identifying with them.

These extraordinary videos are 10 short shareable films, each introducing an adult on the spectrum and a specific challenge he or she faces.



David's Story

David "The Cartoonist" loves to animate and has a talent for wordsmithing. He recently moved to an intentional community in North Carolina with his family, and while David has made great friends at his new home, he is still struggling to adapt to this major life change.



Adam's Story

AJ's passion for horses developed after he saw the movie "Seabiscuit" in 2004. After pursuing this interest for many years, he became employed at Madison Fields, a project of Madison House Autism Foundation. At Madison Fields, AJ is able to live his dream of working with horses while earning a paycheck.

AUTISM AFTER 21 DAY

With the support of visionary leaders, we can create a powerful social movement

DECLARE: Call on every state and locality to declare April 21st Autism After 21 Day

MEDIA INVOLVEMENT: Follow MHAF on social media, share information, videos, toolkits, and templates

EVENTS: Host a breakfast or other event to provide an opportunity to explain the issues impacting adults with autism; invite elected officials, community leaders, policy makers & stakeholders

EMAIL: info@madisonhouseautism.org for more information

“I want to break the conception that people with autism are unable to do things. They’re just as able to do things in their lives as anybody else.”

-Brian Aubin, 24, NY

HOUSING



AUTISM HOUSING NETWORK

Over the last 10 years,
Madison House Autism Foundation

Created the
Autism Housing Network

Established the
Coalition for Community Choice

Presented and consulted with hundreds of
individuals and groups who want to create
housing opportunities in their communities



NATIONAL EXPERTISE: AUTISM HOUSING NETWORK

Bringing together the best ideas in housing for adults with autism
and other intellectual / developmental disabilities

Culmination of eight years of research & significant financial investment

A direct outgrowth of the Opening Doors Study

The only online platform that connects project starters with other innovators

Provides a growing database of housing options & best practices

Hosts discussion forums to inspire new projects and solutions

Help to launch 200 new projects and expand services to thousands



www.autismhousingnetwork.org



Explore. Learn. Connect. Build.

Autism Housing Network

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 A Project of the Madison House Autism Foundation

There are **5 million** citizens with intellectual / developmental disabilities (I/DD) in the USA.




Only **10%** have access to supports to live outside of their family home.

48% of autistic adults report feeling lonely, **57%** report feeling depressed.



Bringing together the best ideas in housing for adults with autism and other intellectual / developmental disabilities.

[Watch our welcome video to get started.](#)



EDUCATION

Appropriate housing options and funding sources are scarce; however, empowering communities through education is the key to changing this. Let's start learning!

Getting Started on the Autism Housing Network



Advocacy



ONE SIZE DOES NOT FIT ALL

a virtual tour of housing options



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One Size Does Not Fit All: A Virtual Tour of Housing Op... +

Madison House Autism Foundation • 1/5 videos



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"One Size Does Not Fit All: A Virtual Tour of Housing Options" is a 3-Part, 5-Segment presentation on the various housing options available for adults living with Autism created by Desiree Kameka, the Director of Community Education & Advocacy at Madison House Autism Foundation.



Housing Options for Adults with Autism by Desiree Kameka (2/5)

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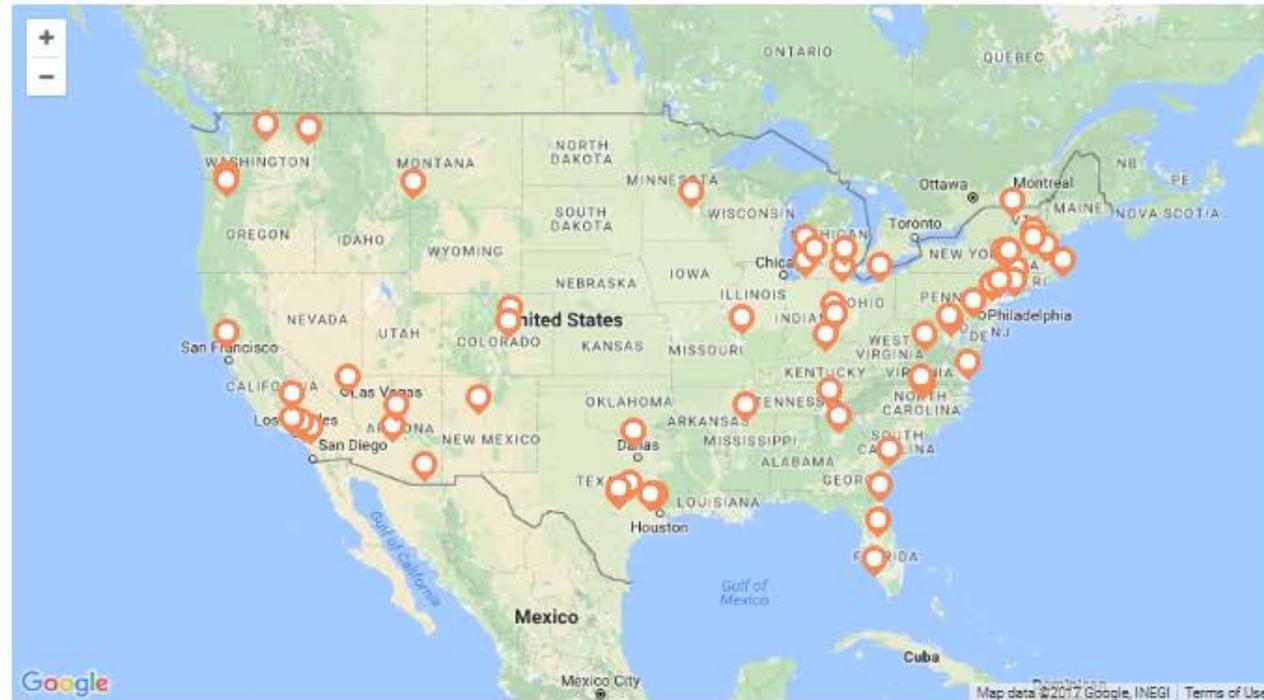


Learn about the array of existing and emerging housing models.

SUBMIT A LISTING

map view

list view



Search...

State(s)

start typing

Property Types

- Apartment
- Cohousing
- Live-Work-Play Community
- Planned Community
- Planned Community with Built-in Support Services
- Single-Family Home
- Townhouse

Support Models

- Adult Foster Care / Family Host Home
- Consumer-Owned / Controlled Setting
- Intentional Community
- Provider-Owned / Controlled Setting
- Shared Living / Roommates

Payment Options

Lifestyles

Support Levels

Primary Residents

LOG IN TO SAVE YOUR FAVORITE LISTINGS

CREATE AN ACCOUNT

LOGIN



SUBMIT A LISTING

Tell us about your favorite residential property!

THE BASICS: part 1 of 2

To submit a housing option, please fill in the fields below as thoroughly as possible. Thank you for helping us build our ever-expanding Housing Directory!

Name of organization / project*

Full name of the organization / project to be displayed on the AHN.

Website URL

If none, leave section blank.

Organization Mission



RESOURCES

Spanning topics from housing design to staff development, use filters to refine your search or submit a resource to help others!

[SUBMIT A RESOURCE](#)

20 of 21 Results Shown



A Sensory Friendly Home

Friendship Circle

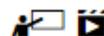
This e-book is full of the ideas that were researched, experimented and dreamed of for a sensory-friendly home – some are small changes and some...



Sensory Preferences: Housing Design for Adults with Autism

RCA Innovation Design Engineering and Textiles, Andrew Brand and Katie Gaudion

This project takes a total design-led approach to sensory needs in order to create better homes for adults with autism. Research Associates: Andrew Brand and...



Accessibility Checklist

Easter Seals

Specific information on making housing more accessible and ADA compliant. Includes helpful checklists.



Objectives



Topics



- Assistance with Living Expenses
- Assistive / Smart Home Technology
- Employment & Entrepreneurship
- Financing Housing Development
- Fundraising & Awareness Raising
- Legal & Financial Planning
- Person-Centered Planning Tools
- Postsecondary Education / Collegiate Life
- Project Formation
- Sensory-Friendly Design & Architecture
- Staff Development
- Surveys & Assessment Tools
- Tiny Homes / Accessory Dwellings
- Tools for Life Skills

Advocacy



Audience-Specific Content



Media Types

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DISCUSSIONS

Please post questions, concerns, and other ideas as discussion topics in the forum and receive responses by other members on the Autism Housing Network. These forum discussions will become a searchable archive that can be utilized by others who may seek similar information in the future. Have a question? Don't be shy – ask!

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Forum	Topics	Posts	Freshness
State Specific Tips Share learning curves, tips, and deadlines for your state here! If you do not see your state listed as a topic, add it!	3	5	1 month, 3 weeks ago Diane A
Exploring Housing Options There is a lot to consider when deciding where to live and how to access supports, and it can feel like navigating a maze! Let's get through it together.	11	21	3 days, 14 hours ago Portfolio
Creating Housing Options There's no need to reinvent the wheel! Whether you are just embarking on the journey to create a housing project in your community or you are well on your way, let's gather here to share helpful tips.	8	15	2 weeks, 2 days ago randyjack
Managing Housing Options	3	4	1 year, 3 months ago

Finding "CommUnity"

Coalition for Community Choice Advocates Unite for Choice in "Finding 'CommUnity'"

Shannon Doty Jun 27, 2017 0 Comments

[READ STORY](#)

Tweets by @AutismHousing

AHN @AutismHousing
 Planned community with built-in supports opens in MN: "The 45-unit Cornerstone Creek complex was designed with a... fb.me/8Z91lbDqt



New Cornerstone Creek apartments may be first of t...
 Independent housing serves adults with developmental disabilities
finance-commerce.com

13 Jul

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Out in the World: Promoting Community Involvement for Adults with Autism

Shannon Doty Jun 27, 2017 0 Comments

Going grocery shopping, out for a meal at a restaurant, or to the movie theater can be a minefield for autistic people, presenting many obstacles that neurotypical people do not think twice about. The difficulties that come with the unpredictability...

CATEGORIES

- Advocacy
- AHN Updates
- Best Practices
- Events
- Homes Across the Country
- Housing & Support Tools
- Individual Stories



Schedule a 30-minute Phone Consultation with Desiree



Housing situations can get a little complicated and sometimes require one-on-one support. For these cases, the Autism Housing Network offers 30-minute phone consultations with Desiree Kameka, Director of Community Engagement and Housing Network. She can help with all kinds of issues, including finding housing opportunities and project planning.

We ask for a \$100 donation to Madison House Autism Foundation per 30-minute consultation.

Because of Desiree's busy schedule, we are taking people on a first come, first serve basis. Fill out the form on this page to get started.

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SUBMIT

NATIONAL EXPERTISE: AUTISM HOUSING NETWORK

NEXT STEPS

Research study undertaken by First Place AZ Global Leadership Institute, the Madison House Autism Foundation Autism Housing Network & other collaborators

Define the marketplace of housing and support options for neurodiverse populations to better equip public, private and not-for-profit sectors

Create the foundational nomenclature for housing and service delivery models so the market can begin to respond nationwide with clear examples for replication

Ten (10) strategies for how public, private and not-for-profit interests can build, grow and align communities to serve the vast and diverse needs of people with autism and other neuro divergences



MADISON FIELDS

EMPLOYMENT, HOUSING, WELLNESS



MADISON FIELDS: A PROJECT OF MADISON HOUSE AUTISM FOUNDATION

A partial gift of a 400-acre farm in the Agricultural Reserve in Montgomery County

Launch employment, wellness, and housing programs and prototypes

Partnership collaborations to share the assets and opportunities to a second large and growing vulnerable population: “at-risk” veterans

Inclusive and fully integrated - Three populations served: Autism and I/DD, community-at-large, and veterans

CALL TO ACTION

- ENDORSE OUR MISSION to address issues impacting autistic adults
- HELP INCREASE OUR IMPACT with critical review of our work and identification of funding opportunities
- COLLABORATE WITH US and serve as a catalyst for positive change

QUESTIONS?

Visit www.madisonhouseautism.org or
email us at info@madisonhouseautism.org

“Everyone needs a seat at the table, and how do we do that? We get a bigger table.”

*Isiah "Ike" Leggett
Montgomery County Executive
April 21, 2017*



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