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PACE LAUNCHES 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY!

PACE was founded in 1989 by a group of concerned parents and educators as a nonpublic, nonprofit 501 (C) (3) organization to meet the critical need of providing education and care for children and adults with autism/developmental disabilities and their families.



Starting with 14 students in 1989 and one group home in 1992, PACE currently serves over 60 students in our preschool and K-12 school, houses 36 children and adults in our residential program, and provides behavioral services for Bay Area families.

As Pacific Autism Center for Education celebrates 30 years of service to individuals with autism, we are grateful to be surrounded by a community of donors and volunteers, whose philanthropy and generosity has offered our students and residents innovation, exceptional education, and compassionate care. Together, we have become experts in teaching those affected with moderate to severe autism and because of YOU we are able to support outstanding programs like music, art, occupational and speech therapies. Our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is a time to celebrate our accomplishments, remember all who have given, share our moments of laughter and tears, and connect with those dedicated to our future and the future of those whom we will serve for the next 30 years. THANK YOU!

## BECOME A PIECE OF THE PACE 30th ANNIVERSARY PUZZLE

PACE is building a 30-piece wall puzzle to commemorate this historical moment. The puzzle will be framed and presented in our boardroom to share the interconnectedness of our community. *We are offering ONLY 30 pieces for a minimum of a \$1k donation for each puzzle piece.* We celebrate you and your philanthropy; all donors will be recognized in our final display. The PACE 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Puzzle piece donation can be a sponsorship, an individual or family donation, or a team pledge.

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**About PACE:** Founded in 1989, Pacific Autism Center for Education provides high-quality programs for individuals with autism and its related developmental disabilities. PACE operates a non-public school for ages 6-22, offers Early Intervention and behavioral therapy services including Sunny Days Preschool and operates two children and four adult group homes in Santa Clara County. *EIN: 77-0259858.* www.pacificautism.org facebook.com/pacificautismce

**About Autism**: Autism is a neuro-developmental disability that impacts an individual's ability to regulate sensory input, to communicate, to interact socially, and to learn in conventional ways. Autism is considered a spectrum disorder and so affects each individual differently and at varying degrees. <u>http://pacificautism.org/about-pace/about-autism/</u>

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