

# IMPACT REPORT

SINCE OUR LAUNCH ON 1 FEBRUARY 2025

## SERVING OUR COMMUNITY

We may be a new charity but we have already made meaningful strides toward fostering understanding, inclusion, and acceptance for the autism and broader neurodiverse community.

512

Beneficiaries of our programs and events.

36

Volunteers ready to assist our mission.

1249

Subscribers across social media and mailing lists.

## TIMELINE

Our board started to meet in **June 2023**. Our NPO was founded on **29 February 2024**. Our branding was developed over 9 months and was adopted on **16 May 2024**. Our organisation launched on **1 February 2025**.

## PROJECTS

**Autism & Neurodevelopment Symposium 2025**

**Expression Beyond Words Art Exhibition 2025**

**CIG Wellness Committee Film Night**

**Spectrum Summer Camp**

**The Spectrum Circle Support Group**

## DETAILS

Over **360** experts, educators, families, and self-advocates registered.

**10** educational institutions showcased the talent of **46** persons.

Over **250** persons registered for a screening of “The Unbreakable Boy”.

**10** autistic children aged 3-14 attended 1 week of adventure camp in Cayman.

A free monthly community meeting.

## OUTCOME

Raising awareness, sharing insights, research, and lived experiences.

Gave a safe and meaningful platform & voice to those who may otherwise go unseen.

Created a safe, inclusive social opportunity and a platform for autistic voices.

Life changing new experiences for youths with respite care for families.

A safe space to connect and share experiences

“Since founding we have brought together autistic individuals, families, educators, clinicians and the wider community—creating free, inclusive events, safe spaces, surveys, and symposia that amplify neurodiverse voices, deepen understanding, and drive meaningful support across the Cayman Islands.”

Desirée Powery-Tatum, President- Autism Cayman



## OUR SUPPORTERS

We have been supported by, partnered with, and received sponsorship from a wide range of entities across government, non-profit, and private sectors.

We are deeply grateful to our early supporters who have helped us to build a strong foundation, and we remain committed to driving forward meaningful, lasting change.

We have a bold vision where neurodiversity is not just understood and accepted, but **celebrated**. This is just the beginning, we hope you will join us.

- Active KY
- Alex Panton Foundation
- Aspire Therapeutic Services
- Barnes Taxi Service
- BoysToMen
- Carey Olsen
- Cayman Art Week
- Cayman Horse Riding
- Cayman International School
- Cayman Islands Behaviour Support Services
- Cayman Islands Further Education Centre
- Cayman Islands Government
- Cayman Islands Stock Exchange
- Cayman Parrot Sanctuary
- Cayman Prep & High School
- CaymanTurtle Centre
- CayMusicA (Cayman Arts Festival)
- Cayman Prep & High School
- Compass Media
- DART
- Department of Education Services
- DMS / Stingray Media
- Double Trouble Boat Charter
- Dragon Bay Sailing & Watersports
- Fosters
- Fraser Designs Ltd.
- H.E.The Governor Mrs Jane Owen
- Health Services Authority
- Highvern
- Inclusion Cayman
- Integra HealthCare
- Island Primary
- John Gray High School
- Kirk Market
- Kiwanis Cayman Islands
- Lighthouse School, The
- Lions Pool, The
- Mesa Del Sol
- Montessori West
- My Coffee Cartel
- Prospect Primary School
- RBC
- Remax / Cayman Islands
- Rotary Central Cayman Islands
- Rotary Club of Grand Cayman
- Sabrina Speaks
- Soirées By Starling
- Special Olympics Cayman Islands
- Speech Studio, The
- Sunrise Adult Training Centre
- T21 Downs Syndrome
- Tea Time in Cayman
- Trident Properties Cayman Ltd
- Wellness Centre, The
- Westin Grand Cayman SMB, The

## OUR PROGRAMS

But we're not just filling a gap. We're building a **future**. And we continue to need your help. One of the greatest challenges faced by many autistic individuals in the Cayman Islands is the lack of inclusive, secure, and sensory-friendly environments. Our vision is to change that — not by opening a single center, but by changing the system itself.

We focus on **big-picture impact**: increasing autism awareness, shaping public policy, and driving access to evidence-based services across the entire community. Through outreach, education, and direct consultation with families, professionals, and government, we identify real needs and push for sustainable, island-wide solutions. Our work is about making **every space more inclusive**.

### RESOURCE LIBRARY



Books, sensory tools, visual aids, and technology for parents, educators, and caregivers to borrow - making resources more accessible than ever.

### SUPPORT GROUPS



Peer meetings for parents, spouses, and adults where experiences are shared, friendships are made, and no one has to walk the journey alone.

### HOLIDAY CAMPS



Especially for autistic youths, staffed by trained volunteers, to create sensory-friendly experiences that foster confidence, social skills, and joy.

### EDUCATION & TRAINING



Security, police, and first responder autism specific training to ensure safe and respectful interactions - because knowledge saves lives.

### AUTISM SPACES



Adapting parks and public spaces to create quiet zones, adaptive play areas, family bathrooms, and more so everyone can be included and enjoy their community.



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