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Autism Care Today Established GoFundMe Fundraiser for California Wildfire Victims

Thousand Oaks, Calif. (November 14, 2018)—Autism Care Today, one of the only nonprofits that serves families directly with product and treatment services – announced today through its Autism Care Today S.O.S. fund, they have created a GoFundMe.com emergency fundraiser for the California fire victims who are impacted by autism.

The fundraiser was established for donors to contribute at any level and is available from their website at <http://www.act-today.org> or from the GoFundMe.com page at <https://www.gofundme.com/jrrfgt-ca-fire-victims-impacted-by-autism>

"The Woolsey and Hill fires are within the backyard of our Thousand Oaks corporate office. Many of our family and friends were not just evacuated but lost their homes due to the severe conditions," says Nancy Alspaugh-Jackson, executive director, Autism Care Today. "And if that was not enough, the day before the fires began, our community was rocked by the tragedy of another senseless mass shooting."

In Northern California, there is an estimated population of 5,000 children under the age of 18 in Paradise, California. The average family income in this region is less than \$50,000.

"We estimate there are 100 or more families impacted by autism with little or no means to access products and treatments," says Paul Rycus, Programs and Operations Manager, Autism Care Today. "Our organization has kickstarted the fundraiser with a contribution of \$3,000 and will reach out to many of our grant partners for immediate support."

Since the inception of the organization in 2005, Autism Care Today has raised and distributed over \$1.75 million in grants that pay for behavioral therapy, medical care, sensory equipment, safety products and other services.

While most Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) nonprofits provide only awareness and research, both very important services for the cause, families can apply for a grant from Autism Care Today for funding assistance through a wide-range of unique product and treatment services including vitamins / supplements; speech, occupational, equine and music therapy; sensory equipment; special GFCF (gluten-free, casein-free) diet; assistive technology (iPads and communication software); GPS tracking devices; intensive behavioral therapy; special needs summer camp; Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) therapy, medical insurance co-pays and out-of-pocket expenses; special safety fences; social skills tuition; augmentative communication devices; and autism assistance dogs.

About Autism Care Today

Autism Care Today is a national nonprofit 501(c) (3) organization whose mission is to raise awareness and provide treatment services and support to families to help their children with autism be able to achieve their full potential.

About Autism Care Today S.O.S.

Autism Care Today S.O.S. is a program dedicated to supporting the immediate and imperative needs of those impacted with autism. Autism Care Today recognizes that some individuals diagnosed with autism are in immediate personal danger.

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