



Life-Long Strategies for Success

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Dear Merchant,

This letter is being presented to you by one of our volunteer solicitors for Milestones Autism Organization's "**Strike it Big for Milestones**" raffle and fundraiser, being held on Sunday April 14, 2013 at Freeway Lanes of Solon and Parma.

Milestones Autism Organization, a non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization, was founded by Cleveland parents in 2003 to promote evidence-based success strategies for individuals with autism, from childhood through adulthood, from the classroom to the workplace. **Investing in our local community is an investment in our children's futures- all proceeds stay in Northeast Ohio and enrich our community's autism resources.**

Your donation will be tax deductible at the fair market value of the donation. You will receive an acknowledgment for your donation, which you will be able to use for your tax deduction.

Thank you, in advance, for your consideration. If you have any questions about our event, please contact Debbie Hoberman, Development Coordinator, at 216-464-7600 x111 or dshoberman@milestones.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mia Buchwald Gelles".

Mia Buchwald Gelles
Operations Director

P.S. Please see the back for more information about Milestones Autism Organization

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Milestones Autism Organization

WHO WE ARE

Founded by Cleveland parents in 2003, Milestones Autism Organization improves the resources for multitudes of children and families impacted by autism. ***Parents can call Milestones for help at each transition in their child's life*** from entering school and creating an IEP, to developing a transition plan for employment or higher education.

WHAT WE DO

In 2012 alone, Milestones:

- Increased the pool of those educated in autism strategies by serving more than **1,500 parents and professionals**.
- Developed a **model internship program** for high school students with autism.
- Expanded and improved our website linking families and professionals with more than **600 autism resources** at www.milestones.org.
- Presented more than **32 workshops**, providing more than **75 scholarships** to provide accessibility to all.
- Coached more than **250 individuals and families** linking them with specific resources to meet their needs.

STRIKE IT BIG FOR MILESTONES

- Invitations to this event will be sent to over 6,000 households.
- Flyers will be distributed throughout the community publicizing the event.
- Approximately 300- 500 attendees are expected at this event.
- This event is both a fundraising and family outreach event.

MISSION STATEMENT

Milestones Autism Organization is dedicated to improving the quality of life for individuals on the autism spectrum and their families. Milestones helps individuals reach their potential through education of family members and professionals in evidence-based practical strategies.