



AUTISM SOCIETY

Improving the Lives of All Affected by Autism
Greater Cleveland

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**ASGC Chili Cook Off Raises Money for Support, Education and
S.T.A.R. Summer Camp**



Independence, OH – The Autism Society of Greater Cleveland (ASGC) will host the 14th Annual ASGC Chili Cook Off at the Holiday Inn Ballroom in Independence on Wednesday, April 10, 2019 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Our 2019 event promises to be an exciting experience with celebrity judges, great food, entertainment, prizes, media coverage and live music with Todd Meany and the Ace Molar Band. Advanced tickets are \$25.00 per person and \$30.00 at the door. Tickets are also available online at Eventbrite search “Autism Society of Greater Cleveland Chili Cook-Off.” Last year the Chili Cook Off drew nearly 1,000 people and 40 professional and amateur chefs.

Every year, thousands of families will begin a lifelong journey with Autism. This event helps provide services to the 1 in 59 children diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Money raised is used locally in Northeast Ohio area to help support, educate and raise Autism awareness. ASGC will provide 25% of the profits from the Chili Cook Off to S.T.A.R. Summer Camp. S.T.A.R. Camp is a private, non-profit organization that provides an inclusive camp for students with disabilities and typical peers. S.T.A.R. Camp’s goal is for individuals with disabilities and typical peers to participate in recreational, academic and social activities in an inclusive environment. In 2018, S.T.A.R. Camp hosted over 240 participants ranging in ages from 3 to 22.

The Autism Society of Greater Cleveland is one of the over 100 affiliates nationwide dedicated to increasing awareness about Autism and the day-to-day challenges faced by people with Autism, their families and the professionals with whom they interact.

To donate or for future volunteer opportunities at S.T.A.R. Summer Camp or with the ASGC, please contact asgcoh@gmail.com.

About ASGC

The Autism Society of Greater Cleveland (ASGC) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, an affiliate of The Autism Society of America, the largest and oldest grassroots organization advocating on behalf of the 1.5 million Americans living with autism. Currently 1 in 59 children are diagnosed with some form of autism. These staggering numbers represent how our services are needed more than ever. Your contributions go a long way to help all those whose lives are impacted by autism.