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## **NEWS RELEASE**

## Milestones Autism Resources Announces Conference Honorees

CLEVELAND - Milestones Autism Resources is pleased to announce the award recipients that will be honored at the 14th Annual Autism Spectrum Disorder Conference, northeast Ohio's must-attend autism event. Recognition ceremonies will take place during the Conference on Thursday, June 16 and Friday, June 17, from 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. at Landerhaven (6111 Landerhaven Drive, Mayfield Heights).

2016 honorees and their respective awards include:

- Daniel Hahn and Kelly Florian from Playhouse Square Community Innovator Award
- Shari Goldberg Parent Tribute Award (Outstanding Mom)
- Keith Bambic Parent Tribute Award (Outstanding Dad)
- Evan Burg\*, Sari Gonick\*, Adam Freireich, Brittany Lieberman from JFSA Transitions Personal Achievement Award (\* originally from Beachwood)
- Mary Beth Koss, Achievement Centers Professional Excellence Award
- Alexandra Wiskes Teen Trailblazer Award

Milestones invites family members, educators, therapists, clinicians, medical professionals, and individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) to attend this must-attend event to learn evidence-based strategies for all ages, stages, and ability levels. Complimentary lunch and parking are provided for all attendees. Registration is available at <a href="milestones.org">milestones.org</a> with discounts through April 30. Scholarships are also available.

Sponsors include the Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities, Cleveland Clinic Children's, Forest City Realty Trust, Jewish Federation of Cleveland, Monarch Center for Autism, Robert W. Baird and Company, Summit Academies, University Hospitals Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital, Westminster Technologies, MetroHealth, Cleveland State University College of Education and Human Services, and others.

For more information about the 14th Annual Milestones Autism Spectrum Disorder Conference, please visit milestones.org.

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Founded in 2003, Milestones Autism Resources improves the lives of individuals on the autism spectrum throughout Northeast Ohio by educating, coaching, and connecting the autism community with evidence-based information. Milestones is the first call for help at each transition of an individual's life. Milestones envisions a community in which individuals on the autism spectrum reach their full potential as contributing members of society, recognized for their strengths and supported in their challenges. Each year, Milestones serves more than 2,400 parents, professionals, and individuals of all ages and abilities through an annual conference, trainings, and coaching services. The website, milestones.org, connects 58,000 unique visitors to more than 1,000 autism resources.