



Any Baby Can FAMILY SUPPORT & EDUCATION SINCE 1982

A MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO

We want to express our deepest gratitude for your support throughout this year. Thanks to your generosity, we've been able to make a meaningful difference in the lives of families of children with special needs. Families that, as you know, often face tremendous challenges, especially in times of economic uncertainty.

This year, many families of children with special needs have been among the hardest hit, as they manage not only rising costs of everyday living but also the specialized care their children require. Yet, because of your support, we've been able to offer a lifeline. This year has been filled with both challenges and successes, but your belief in our mission has helped us achieve so much. Together, we have:

- Provided vital support services to 6,451 family members, helping them navigate the complexities of raising a child with special needs.
- Enhanced our autism educational programs, ensuring that children received tailored resources that empower them to thrive both at home and in school.
- Offered respite and emotional support to parents, giving them a much-needed break and the assurance that they're not alone on this journey.

Looking Forward

As we move into a new year, the need for our services will continue to grow. Families of children with special needs will still face unique and complex challenges, and with your continued support, we are committed to expanding our programs to meet those needs. From increasing access to vital therapies to strengthening our community support networks, we aim to ensure no family feels alone or without options.

Your Support Matters

Your contributions have been a lifeline for these families, providing hope, community, and the resources they need to build brighter futures for their children. As we prepare for the year ahead, we ask you to consider making an additional gift before the year ends. Your donation will allow us to continue providing these life-changing services to families who need it most.

Thank You

On behalf of the entire team at Any Baby Can and the families we serve, we want to thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Your commitment to our mission has created lasting change, and together, we are building a more inclusive and supportive community.

Wishing you and your loved ones a joyful holiday season and a bright New Year ahead.

With heartfelt gratitude,

Jenny Hixon, CEO

2024 ABC FAST FACTS

Autism Education

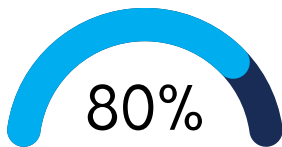
- 375 new children enrolled
- 72% on Medicaid or other public insurance
- 81% under age 10
- 61% of parents were unemployed
- Provide 10 different classes including Understanding Autism, Toilet Training, and Safety
- Partner with SAPD and SAFD to provide training

Bereavement

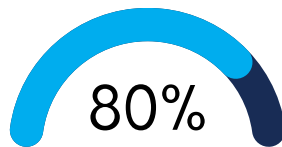
- 509 new families enrolled
- 201 clients provided with grief counseling
- Average cost for one burial is over \$1,000
- Families are provided with 8 counseling sessions at no charge

Case Management

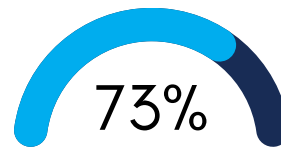
- 367 new children enrolled
- 15% of clients prefer Spanish language
- 78% of clients identify as Hispanic/Latino
- 60% of parents are unemployed



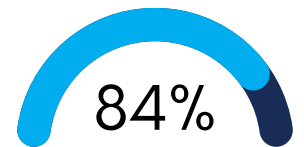
Children served are under age 10



Families served are at or below 200% of Federal Poverty Level



Clients Served Identify as Hispanic/Latino



Clients Uninsured or on Public Insurance

COMMUNITY CONDITIONS

- 23% of families have at least one child with a special health care need (CSHCN)
- 40% of families with CSHCN experience financial difficulties due to their child's condition.
- 17.8% in additional income is needed each year to cover the costs of raising a child with a disability
- 46% of households in Bexar County couldn't afford the essentials such as housing, child care, food, transportation, health care and a basic smartphone plan (2021)
- 12% increase in Infant Mortality in Texas starting 2021

IT'S NOT EASY TO SHARE YOUR STORY...

We were incredibly blessed by four of our amazing families, who bravely told their stories. Scan the code to watch the heartwarming video. (You may want to have some tissues handy.)

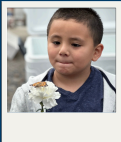


OUR SERVICES ARE WHAT MAKE US DIFFERENT. AND, HOW WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE.



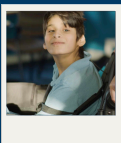
AUTISM EDUCATION

In Bexar and the surrounding counties, over 40,000 individuals are living with autism. Our autism services are designed specifically for families raising a child or youth diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder, through services such as parent counseling, caregiver training, education groups, and first responder training. **Both the New Braunfels and San Antonio Walks for Autism had record-breaking attendance in 2024. Nearly 600, and 10,000, respectively.** The growth of the Walks highlight the need for continuing to expand our training curriculum, ongoing partnerships with the autism community, and providing an inclusive event for all who fall on the spectrum.



BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

No family should ever have to experience the loss of a child. However, when such loss occurs, ABC provides support to parents and caregivers through funeral assistance in the form of urns, caskets, and burial plots, bereavement support groups, and therapy for each surviving parent or caregiver. Each year, Any Baby Can hosts an annual Butterfly Release & Memorial, honoring those lost in the previous year. **The Bereavement Services program is one of ABC's fastest growing programs, and the only program of its kind in our 17-county service area.** In 2024, ABC was blessed with the Memorial Garden, a space for families to honor the lives of their children that were lost too soon, provided through support of the office of the Mayor, Ron Nirenberg and District 4 Councilwoman Dr. Adriana Rocha Garcia.



CASE MANAGEMENT

ABC Case Management is a one-of-a-kind program that helps families break down barriers to care and support. Our Case Managers work to assist and guide families through complex healthcare systems, to gain access to critical services. Every ABC family receives their own unique care plan, tailored to the needs of their child and family. **On average, each of ABC's Case Managers have up to 40 open cases per month.**

THE GARZA FAMILY

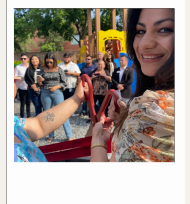
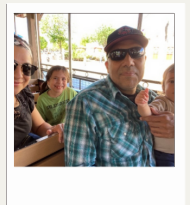
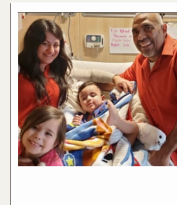
Children Assisted: Miles & Aiden Garza

Program: Bereavement Services

"We felt a lot of love from Any Baby Can."

The Garza family lost their first son Miles, when he was 4 years old to Congenital Neutropenia/Wiskott Aldrich Syndrome. Miles' mother, Amber, reached out to Any Baby Can for counseling services and decided to donate her son's medical equipment to ABC to provide support for other families. Amber soon found out she was going to have another son, and in 2021 Aiden was born. The family was overjoyed. However, they soon found out that Aiden had a congenital blood disorder requiring a bone marrow transplant. On February 15th, 2024, Aiden passed away due to complications during the bone marrow transplant. The Garza family was heartbroken, but remembering the support she received from Any Baby Can for her first son, Amber reached out to the Bereavement Services team. Through the program, Any Baby Can provided burial for Aiden and counseling services for both Amber and her husband. More importantly, Any Baby Can provided hope and healing to their family when they needed it most.

Both Amber, Miles, and their daughter Isabella are active participants in the monthly support groups, and were there to help cut the ribbon on Any Baby Can's new Memorial Garden in May.



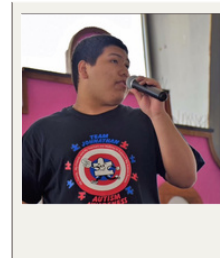
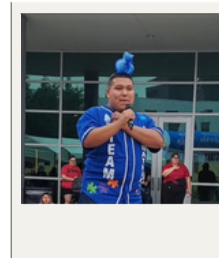
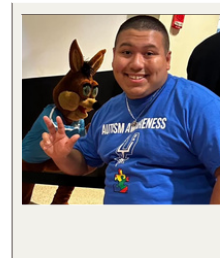
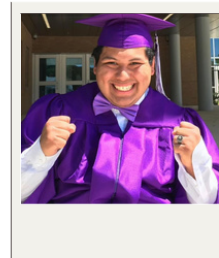
THE CAZARES FAMILY

Child Assisted: Johnathan
Diagnosis: Autism Spectrum Disorder

“Any Baby Can helped me find my voice.”

Johnathan's family has been involved with Any Baby Can for over a decade. Through their participation in the Autism Services Program, and playing an active role in the annual Walk for Autism, Johnathan has grown from a nearly non-verbal, shy child into an outgoing, confident young man. Due to the support of his family, friends, and Any Baby Can, Johnathan proudly graduated from Brakenridge High School in 2020.

Earlier this year, Johnathan sang the National Anthem at the Walk for Autism in front of a crowd of nearly 10,000!



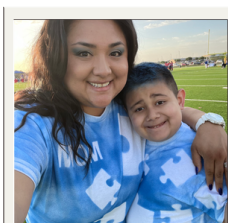
BECAUSE OF YOU, ANY BABY CAN!

Your gift transforms lives, and provides you the chance to directly impact a family in your community. By giving directly to Any Baby Can, you can uplift children with special needs and their families. **The truth is that any donation in any amount truly makes a difference.**



GIVE TO HELP ANY BABY CAN CONTINUE OUR WORK

Please scan the code for donation forms, information on our monthly donation program, The Angel Society, and other ways you can help support our mission!



NO DONATION IS TOO SMALL.

Your **\$25** donation will help provide bottles, medical shoes, medical clothing, hygiene kit, medical transportation to and from appointments, specialty utensils, or school supplies.

Your **\$50** donation provides a family with a fire extinguisher for our Safety Toolkit, designed specifically for a family with a child with special health care needs. The kit includes critical supplies such as fire extinguishers, smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, flashlights, gun safety locks and more. The San Antonio Fire Department has also generously included resources such as a fire safety scan for the home and information on how to schedule a home visit.

Your **\$100** donation will help pay for a casket or urn for a child lost too soon.

Would you prefer to mail your donation?

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