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Established on September 8, 2019, the Eagles Autism Foundation was formed to centralize all of the team's autism activities into one organization, while strengthening its core mission of turning autism awareness into action. Led by Chairman and CEO Jeffrey Lurie, the team's commitment to raising funds for autism research and care has grown exponentially, raising more than \$12 million since launching the Eagles Autism Challenge in May 2018.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that one in 54 people living in the United States are on the autism spectrum. Autism is a complex neurological and developmental condition that expresses itself differently in each individual. While it has become one of the fastest-growing developmental disorders in the country, autism has historically been underfunded, misunderstood, and under-researched.

By delivering the necessary resources to leading institutions, and through year-round fundraising efforts that inspire and engage the community to take action, the Eagles Autism Foundation is able to assist those currently affected by autism, as well as future generations.

Eagles Autism Challenge presented by Lincoln Financial Group Saturday, May 21, 2022



\$12,000,000+ raised in the first four years





The Eagles Autism Challenge presented by Lincoln Financial Group is a one day bike ride and family-friendly 5K run/walk that donates 100% of participant-raised funds to leading institutions conducting cutting-edge autism research and care.

The event features three cycling routes: the Wawa Junior 10-Mile Ride, Wawa Shorti 30-Mile Ride, and the Wawa Classic 50-Mile Ride. In addition to the 5K run/walk, a Sensory Walk is offered to families and participants, which provides a shorter course around the outside perimeter of Lincoln Financial Field.

Thanks to the more than \$12 million raised, a total of 43 research projects and community grants have been funded for exploratory work in the field of autism.

For more information, visit EaglesAutismChallenge.org.



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SENSORY ROOM pres. by CHOP

On August 4, 2019, the Eagles became one of the first sports franchises to build a state-of-the-art sensory room in its home venue. Now certified by KultureCity as a sensory-inclusive stadium, the Lincoln Financial Field Sensory Room presented by Children's Hospital of Philadelphia promotes an accommodating and positive experience for all guests and fans with sensory challenges.

The 500-square-foot, state-of-the-art sensory room has been carefully designed by top medical professionals to ensure a quieter and more secure environment. The certification process included the training of every Eagles employee and stadium staff member.











Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

Eagles Huddle Up for Autism presented by Children's Hospital of Philadelphia is a familyfriendly event held annually at Lincoln Financial Field

Designed and catered specifically for guests with autism and developmental disabilities, Huddle Up features special appearances by Eagles players, Eagles cheerleaders, SWOOP, live entertainment, games, and exclusive locker room tours.

Since 2009, Huddle Up has raised more than \$600,000 for the Center for Autism Research at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.



The Eagles Radiothon presented by Firstrust Bank and the Green Family Foundation is a multi-day auction held on SportsRadio 94WIP that offers fans the opportunity to bid on exclusive sports and entertainment experiences involving their favorite Eagles players and 94WIP radio personalities.



SENSORY SATURDAYS

WITH MAX

Sensory Saturdays with Max is a weekly Facebook segment featuring Max, a young boy with autism, and Board-Certified Behavioral Analyst Kirsten Saraceni who teach viewers how to make DIY sensory-friendly activities and toys. Special guests have included Eagles players, Eagles cheerleaders, and SWOOP.





Through the Eagles Autism Foundation 50/50 Raffle presented by DraftKings, one lucky fan at every Eagles home game walks away a winner. Fans can purchase tickets for a 50/50 drawing at Lincoln Financial Field for a chance to win half of the jackpot. The other half supports the Eagles Autism Foundation.



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EAGLES AUTISM FOUNDATION PRACTICE JERSEYS

The Eagles dedicated a practice in August 2020 to the Eagles Autism Foundation by wearing specially designed jerseys to elevate the Foundation's platform and to showcase the team's commitment to turning autism awareness to action.

The exclusive, one-of-a-kind jerseys featured Energy Green numbers and nameplates, along with the Eagles Autism Foundation signature logo prominently displayed on the front side and shoulder.

Each jersey was signed by the player who wore it and was auctioned off through the 2020 Eagles Radiothon.







MY CAUSE MY CLEATS



TRAINING CAMP PRACTICES

Training camp practices at Lincoln Financial Field serve as a vehicle to drive critical funds for autism research and care, with proceeds benefiting the Eagles Autism Foundation.









To help combat the unemployment rate in the autism community, the Eagles Autism Foundation and Aramark have teamed up with Popcorn for the People, a non-profit organization dedicated to creating meaningful employment for those with autism and developmental disabilities.

A portion of the proceeds from the popcorn sold at Lincoln Financial Field benefits the Eagles Autism Foundation.







PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA

The Eagles Autism Foundation hosts a sensory-friendly concert performed by the iconic Philadelphia Orchestra each year inside the NovaCare Complex indoor practice facility. The performance is designed to be a welcoming, inclusive, and comfortable environment for guests with sensory sensitivities and cognitive and learning differences.

The concert supports the team's mission of raising funds for innovative autism research and programs, as well as the Philadelphia Orchestra's Free Neighborhood Chamber Concert Series, which works to deepen ties to Philadelphians and makes music and arts education accessible to all people.

