



CASANA

The Childhood Apraxia of Speech Association of North America

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2010 Walk for Children with Apraxia of Speech

“Unlock our Voices, Open our Future”

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Childhood Apraxia of Speech (CAS) is a severe neurological speech disorder that affects a child’s ability to clearly and correctly produce sounds, syllables, and words. The most obvious thing that others notice is that the child has significantly limited or unclear speech. So, while children with apraxia understand language and know what they want to say, they are unable to translate those thoughts into speech that is consistently understood by others. Children with apraxia need and deserve their best opportunity to develop speech and live to their potential.

The **Walk for Children with Apraxia of Speech** was the idea a six year old Sean Freiburger from Pittsburgh, PA. Sean participated in over 600 hours of speech therapy. It took over 2 ½ years of intensive speech therapy before Sean spoke his first word at the age of four. Without the Childhood Apraxia of Speech Association of North America’s (CASANA), Sean's voice would still be locked away and his future would be uncertain. In 2008, over 350 participants in Pittsburgh, Seattle, and Chesapeake, VA raised over \$33,000 to benefit CASANA’s programs. Last year, over 2,500 walkers in dozens of states raised \$200,000 to help further CASANA’s programs and research.

CASANA’s mission is to strengthen the support systems in the lives of children with apraxia, so that each child has their best opportunity to develop speech. Each year, CASANA provides information, education and support to thousands of families and professionals. It is one of the only sources of funding for research into appropriate and effective treatment for Childhood Apraxia of Speech. CASANA is recognized as the worldwide leader in support of children with apraxia and their families. Other facts about CASANA include:

- CASANA was founded in 2000 and the national headquarters are based in Pittsburgh, PA.
- CASANA was incorporated in the state of Pennsylvania and is registered with the Department of State, Bureau of Charitable Organizations, and Certificate of Registration No. 30307.
- CASANA is designated as a 501(c)3 public charity by the Internal Revenue Service and as such relies on the donations of the public and those that it serves in order to survive.
- Its federal EIN number is 25- 1858159.

All proceeds from this event will benefit CASANA's programs and research.

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SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

Platinum Level:

- ★ Contribution of \$5000 or greater
- ★ Company logo to be included on event banner, t-shirts, brochures, and website
- ★ Company will be recognized as an event sponsor via promotional announcements or advertisements
- ★ Sponsor company may display sponsor-provided banner and information booth at event location the day of the event
- ★ Sponsor may start the event by carrying a company banner across the starting line

Gold Level:

- ★ Contribution of \$1000 or greater
- ★ Company logo to be included on event t-shirts, brochures, and website

Silver Level:

- ★ Contribution of \$500 or greater
- ★ Company logo to be included on event brochures and website

Bronze Level:

- ★ Contribution of \$250 or greater
- ★ Company to be recognized on event website

Friends of Children with Apraxia of Speech

- ★ Contribution of \$100 or greater
- ★ Sponsor to be recognized on event website

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Sponsorship Agreement

Company Name/Organization: _____

Contact Name/Title: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email address: _____

Level of Sponsorship/Contribution: _____

Signature:

Sponsor Representative Signature

Date

Sponsor Representative Name (please print)

Date

_____ Check enclosed (make checks payable to “CASANA”)

_____ Will send check

_____ Please invoice

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NOTE: Sponsor contract must be received 10 weeks in advance of the Walk for inclusion in printed event materials.