

2016 Girls Night Out Event Raises \$42,000 for ISAND

TORONTO, ON (June 17, 2016) — The 2016 *Girls Night Out*, an event organized in May by Action 4 Autism, raised \$42,000 to support programs and services at Integrated Services for Autism and Neurodevelopmental Disorders (ISAND).

“As a parent of a child with autism, and a client and Board member of ISAND, I am deeply aware of the need to provide financial support to organizations that help families with autism,” said Jennifer Koffman, Action 4 Autism founder. “Girls Night Out is a fun way to raise much-needed resources for an organization whose positive impact I have experienced first-hand.”

Action 4 Autism is a Toronto-based charitable organization that provides financial support for local and national initiatives and services that promote inclusion and an improved quality of life for members of the autism community.

“Proceeds from *Girls Night Out* will enable ISAND to serve even more families,” said David Gray, ISAND Executive Director. “We are deeply grateful for the support of Action 4 Autism and Jennifer’s commitment to ensure families living with autism receive the help they need.”



PHOTO CAPTION: From left: ISAND Executive Director David Gray accepts a \$42,000 donation from Action 4 Autism founder and ISAND Board Member, Jennifer Koffman and Carrie Habert, Girls Night Out committee member.

About ISAND

ISAND is a registered non-profit organization that serves children, youth and young adults with autism and other neurodevelopmental disorders. ISAND's integrated team of developmental pediatricians, psychologists, clinicians, and therapists work together with families to achieve the best possible outcomes for young people with autism and neurodevelopmental disorders. The team provides developmental medical care, language and social communication, occupational and behavioural therapies, as well as mental health and wellness supports for individuals and families. In addition to providing a wide range of comprehensive, innovative, and evidence-based supports and services, ISAND is becoming increasingly known as a teaching centre by providing mentorship across all levels of pediatric medical training and speech-language pathology. For more information about the important work of ISAND, please visit www.isand.ca. ISAND is a member of Imagine Canada, Volunteer Canada and The Canadian Autism Spectrum Disorders Alliance (CASDA).

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