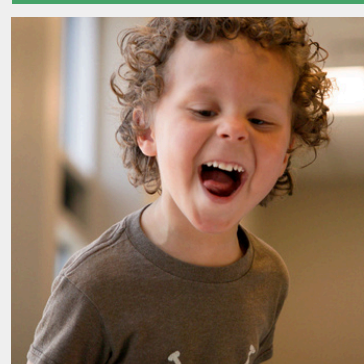
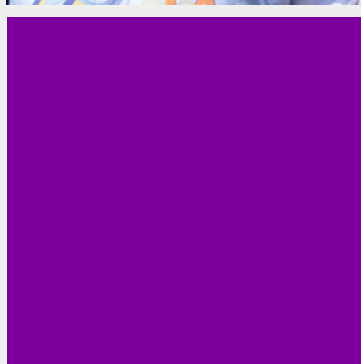
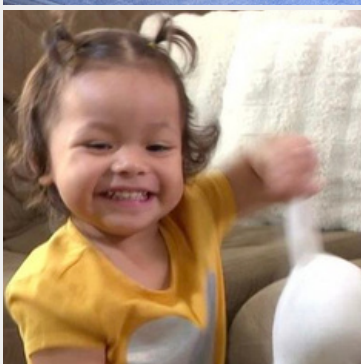


2024

Annual Report

Through dedicated care and innovative therapies, we ensure that every child has the opportunity to communicate and thrive—**free of financial barriers.**



Letter from Leadership

When I think back on 2024, I am overwhelmed with gratitude—for the generosity, kindness, creativity, and collaboration that allowed us to help over 100 families in our community navigate the journey of finding their child's voice.

I am deeply thankful for the generous hearts in our community who supported the Clinic through gifts and donations, ensuring that our services remain free and accessible to all who need them. They made it possible to purchase books for our storytime programs, materials for child-friendly science experiments and other therapy activities, and attend field trips during our summer programming.

I am grateful for the local foundations that continue to believe in and invest in our mission, allowing us to expand and enhance our impact. Because of them, we were able to continue our specialty programs in autism and add much-needed sensory integration equipment. All of this support helped us hire an additional SLP, reducing the waiting list from 12 months to 3 – 6 months—a dream come true for us all!

Above all, I am thankful for the children and families who trust us to be part of their journey. They are the reason we are here. They are the reason we continually seek new and emerging therapy practices, such as specialized treatment for speech apraxia, sensory integration practices, and a growing augmentative and alternative communication program so that those who are non-speaking can find their voice. We are launching a podcast in 2025 to share knowledge, support, and stories so that no one feels alone.

Because of each of you who supported our mission, 2024 was a year of growth and progress, and with your support, **these services will continue to thrive in 2025!**

"We are launching a podcast in 2025 to share knowledge, support and stories so no one feels alone."



Niki Lampi

Clinic Director
M.A.,CCC-SLP

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*"I give because every child deserves a voice—no waiting, no barriers. **Some families can't access the care their child needs, and that's not okay.** This clinic makes sure kids get help when they need it, not just when they can afford it. That's something worth supporting."*

-Anonymous Clinic Donor

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Giving Kids a Voice: The Impact of Speech & Language Therapy

Nearly 1 in 12 children have a disorder related to voice, speech, language, or swallowing. Early intervention is key.

2024

CLINIC IMPACT BY THE #'s



Speech & Language
Autism Spectrum Disorder
Occupational Therapy
Hearing

124 Assessments

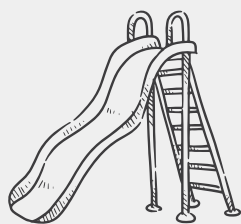


BECAUSE OF YOUR SUPPORT!

Thanks to your support, we met some of our biggest challenges in 2024. As 2025 unfolds, we're ready to embrace new opportunities together. Your continued involvement means the world to us.



Start a
Podcast!



Sensory gym
upgrade!



Grow our
team!



Grow our Autism
programming!



"This program has been a lifeline for us. We have received so much more help than originally expected; parent ed groups, support groups and audiology services. Thank you!"

-Mom of Clinic Patient

197

Audiology Hours



4,110

 Therapy Sessions

463

Sibling Childcare Hours



36

Graduates



MAX

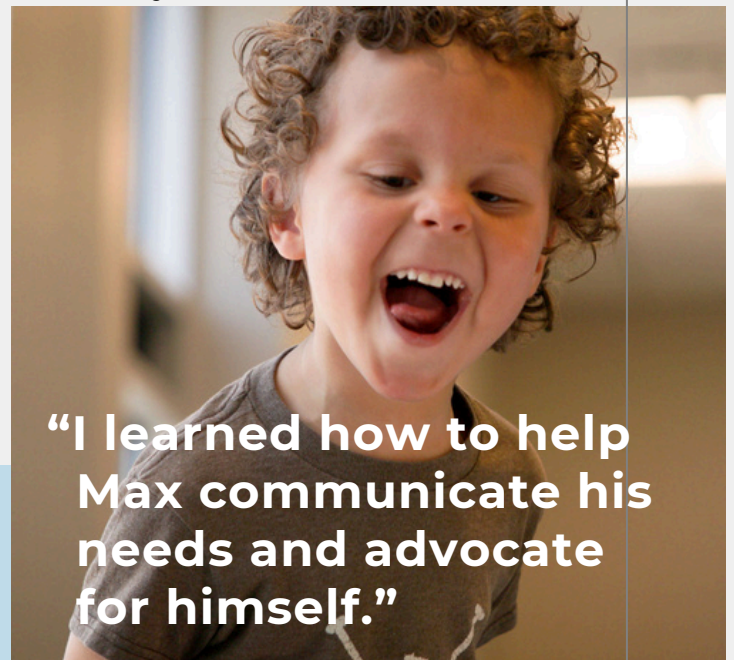
I can say, without hesitation, that our time at Masonic changed the trajectory of Max's, and our whole family's, life. Max is Autistic. But our experience went so far beyond being one of positive, successful therapy. At Masonic, we felt welcomed and completely accepted. Sessions never felt rushed, and no request for information or outside-the-box assessments of issues was off the table.

“Our time at Masonic changed the trajectory of Max's life.”

In retrospect, I realize that throughout our time at Masonic I was developing a holistic language and philosophy for how I could best advocate for Max's needs. This is invaluable. Based on my experiences talking with numerous families in Duluth and beyond, this sort of experience is not typical or easy to find.

At the Autism Parent Group, I learned from staff and other parents how to navigate County and school-based support. And at the Autism Parent Education group, I learned more ways to better understand how and why Max's brain is different from some other kiddos' brains. Throughout the year, at events like our special night at Bentleyville, I was able to feel like we have a place, and we belong, in our community. That is to say: we, parents of children who are differently-abled and have different needs, have a community. A place where we know we will be accepted and supported.

For that reason, we will continue to stay involved in all that Masonic has to offer, even though our time with weekly therapy has ended. Max is thriving in every aspect of his life, and I believe it is due to the opportunities we were given, and the perspective I gained, because we chose to attend Masonic.



“I learned how to help Max communicate his needs and advocate for himself.”

Max's Mom, Sara Jane



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Ordean Foundation	\$20,000
Miller Dwan Foundation	\$15,000
Wells Fargo	\$10,000
Itasca County	\$10,000
Duluth-Superior Area Foundation	\$7,267
MN Star Wars Collectors Alliance	\$7,115
The Lahti Charitable Trust	\$5,000
RBC Wealth Management	\$4,000
UMN Axel Herbert Fund	\$3,331
Ben and Jeanne Overman Trust	\$3,000
Duluth Scottish Heritage Association	\$2,500
Pattison Park Lions Club	\$2,500
TUFCO	\$2,500
Ursa Minor Brewing	\$1,587
DECC Volunteer Hours	\$769
Paypal Charitable Giving Fund	\$558
Standard Mechanical Insulation	\$500
Greysolon Ballroom & Duluth AV Logistics	In-Kind

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Come meet our team, take a guided tour, and get a behind-the-scenes look at how our therapists work. Enjoy light refreshments and learn more about what we do. We'd love to see you there!



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