



CPW Hosts Its 6th Annual Autism Awareness Walk

On Wednesday May 2nd, 2018, Cerebral Palsy of Westchester (CPW) hosted its 6th Annual Autism Awareness Walk at the United Preschool in White Plains. CPW celebrated the month of April being National Autism Awareness Month and ended the month with our preschool students hosting a walk. The walk began at 10:30 a.m. and all of the children had on matching blue shirts and fun colored sunglasses. With music playing, the students walked a couple of laps with smiles on their faces. A visit by the White Plains Fire Department made the day extra special. The kids were excited and happy to come together for the annual awareness walk.



A Pieces of Hope Tree was created and is on display at the Preschool. The tree is filled with personalized puzzle pieces that were purchased to raise money for our autism services. Custom designed by our students, this tree will raise awareness for all children and young adults who benefit from CPW's autism services.

CPW serves many children and young adults with autism and offers special programming for them and their families. Our Saturday Explorers program provides many opportunities that benefit attendees such as increase socialization through structured play, help increase learning through one on one interaction with a staff person, and increasing attention spans by changing activities often to keep the attendees interested and learning. The program also incorporates CPW's Lekotek program which provides a way to learn during play sessions that are facilitated in an environment that promotes interactive play among family members.

For over 69 years, Cerebral Palsy of Westchester has been the leading non-profit organization in Westchester County, providing essential services to children and adults with all developmental disabilities including autism, neurological impairments, intellectual disabilities, epilepsy and cerebral palsy. It has always been our purpose to help people realize their goals, build brighter futures, and lead more independent lives as members of their community.



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