

Independence through Interdependence autisticselfreliance.org

## Mission

Within a disability justice framework, the Autistic Self-Reliance Support Network (ASRSN) empowers autistic adults and supports their loved ones through providing education, assistance, social opportunities, and advocacy.

### Vision

A world in which autistic people learn from and are supported by each other in order to thrive at the intersections that govern their lives.

# **Our Strategies**

#### Education

We will develop and record free online seminars and courses focused on strategies for navigating life and increasing well-being for autistic adults in-house and with partners.

We will raise funds to pay disabled content creators who carry a variety of historically-marginalized identities and who experience their autistic traits in different ways to broaden the range and utility of this content.

#### Assistance

We will establish and contract with a for-profit subsidiary corporation to develop assistive apps for autistic people. Using subscription funds generated by this subsidiary, we will fund direct assistance work such as office hours to help autistic adults across the country with navigating medical care, negotiating work accommodations, travel or other necessary and difficult things and provide grant writing assistance for those who want to engage in self-advocacy projects for their communities.

#### **Social Opportunities**

We will partner with existing virtual communities for autistic people and endeavor to support their growth and flourishing.

#### Advocacy

We aspire to change the focus of ASD research and treatment projects that receive funding to autistic wellbing. With input from the Board of Advisors and the community, we will develop and deliver an ASRSN certification program for autism support professionals who wish additional professional development around how other identity traits intersect with and complicate autistic people's lived realities and well-being.

