



CASE STUDY

AngelSense and The Autism Alliance of Michigan (AAOM) Partner to Save Thousands of Lives

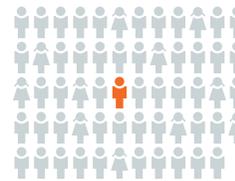
AngelSense and The Autism Alliance of Michigan (AAOM) are keeping Michigan children with autism who are prone to wandering safe through their unique partnership.

AngelSense is proud to partner with The Autism Alliance of Michigan (AAOM) as we work with them to fulfill their mission to lead the effort to make Michigan a better place to live for people with autism and their families. One of the biggest challenges autism families across the country face is **wandering**; AngelSense was specifically designed to prevent wandering in children with autism.

The AngelSense-AAOM partnership saves lives - so far we have been able to help more than 150 families in Michigan by helping families access funding for AngelSense.

THE CHALLENGE

Autism afflicts approximately 1 in 59 children in the United States, according to the CDC. More than a million children in the U.S. have autism, and **half** of those children are at risk for wandering and going missing at least once before their 17th birthday. **The AngelSense-AAOM partnership is working diligently to prevent wandering tragedies by helping families obtain AngelSense.** Many of these cases result in [death by accidental drowning](#), because many children with special needs have a limited sense of danger and are often drawn to bodies of water. According to the [National Autism Association](#), a record **32 wandering fatalities** were recorded in individuals with an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), and over **200 missing person cases** in 2015.



1:59 Children in USA are diagnosed with autism



50% of children with ASD will wander before age 17



32 (ASD) wandering fatalities out of **200+** missing persons in 2015

PARTNERSHIP

AngelSense and The Autism Alliance of Michigan (AAOM) have partnered on an initiative to support families and children with autism. Together, AAOM and AngelSense are committed to **changing the lives of children with autism** by closing the critical gaps in services for families of children with autism, particularly those prone to wandering, by providing AngelSense devices to families in need. AngelSense technology is proven to significantly reduce deaths and other harms common to children on the autism spectrum who are prone to wandering. So far, we have been able to make a difference in the lives of **155 families**.

“Our Michigan families of children with special needs who struggle to communicate verbally, or struggled to keep other devices on, are already reporting an increased sense of security and peace of mind with AngelSense. Both the app as well as the unique and secure attachment options for wearability are life changing for these families. AngelSense’s top-notch customer support team, made up of special needs parents who use AngelSense with their own children, is always available when we need them. AAOMI is so happy to be collaborating with AngelSense to better serve our families”

Kat Nelson,

Manager of the GPS Scholarship
Program at AAOMI

SOLUTION

AngelSense offers a unique option unlike anything else available. This innovative GPS solution is not only designed to overcome the sensory issues some children have with wearable devices but has been **proven to save lives:**

- The device has a first responder group alarm that quickly notifies police, teachers, and others parents have designated when their child has wandered to facilitate rapid recovery
- Proven child search mode that delivers child exit alerts, live 10-second updates, and direction to the child on a map
- The device can only be removed with a key that the parent or caretaker has

Unfortunately, some Michigan families lack insurance and other funding to allow them the peace of mind and protection that comes with having AngelSense, so AngelSense is working with AAOMI to ensure these families are able to get the help they need.

"I got a phone call telling me that my son was missing from school. He had wandered away during recess, walked out to the parking lot and got into a car that was unlocked. He was found laying down in the backseat with a blanket. The Autism Alliance of Michigan heard what happened and actually hand-delivered that day an AngelSense GPS device. I was so blown away by that gesture. AngelSense has given me my sanity back. I cannot thank AAOM or AngelSense enough!"

Laurie,

from Northville, one of the many parents benefitting from the AAOM and AngelSense partnership.



"Wandering is ranked as one of the most stressful behaviors parents have to deal with. We have made it our mission to prevent, or at the very least limit, the potentially disastrous effects of this behavior. We have developed a highly reliable alerting mechanism that detects deviations from the child's daily schedule and enables parents to act immediately to protect their child."

Doron Somer,

Co-founder of AngelSense and an autism dad.



ABOUT ANGELSENSE

The AngelSense GPS tracking and monitoring system has features that go well beyond the capabilities of other GPS systems.

- Parents can view their child's location on a map and create a schedule of their day.
- If their child deviates from a timeline or location, an alert is immediately sent to the app.
- Parents can also listen in to ensure well-being, and they can use AngelTalk to offer reassurance if their child is upset.

AngelSense has proven critical in locating missing children, with the ability to sound an alarm to help locate a child along with alerting emergency response teams. Parents can alert first responders the moment a child wanders, allowing the team to act quickly to find the child. For families that consider themselves in crisis mode on a regular basis, **AngelSense can be a game-changer.**

