

We've been a longtime supporter of the Milwaukee Brewers™, but at the start of this year's baseball season, we were excited to extend our partnership even further to recognize a "Community MVP" at six home games.

The first Community MVP award was presented to the [Autism Society of Southeast Wisconsin](#) (ASSEW) during Autism Awareness Month at the Milwaukee Brewers™ vs. St. Louis game. As part of this honor, Rechelle Chaffee, Executive Director and CEO at ASSEW threw out the first pitch at American Family Field.

"Naming the Autism Society of Southeast Wisconsin as our first Community MVP was a natural extension of our ongoing partnership," said Julie Knous, Store Director of the Oak Creek Meijer. "The Brewers have given us a great opportunity to spread awareness and elevate the mission of the organization."

The ASSEW supports people with autism spectrum disorders, their families, professionals and others in the community by sharing information, supporting research, and promoting awareness through education and training.

Julie said this past December, the Wauwatosa Meijer donated \$10,000 to ASSEW as part of their Meijer Team Gives donation. Those team members collectively chose this organization because many of them knew someone affected by autism.

"We look forward to continuing to support the Autism Society and the great work they do in our community," she said.

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