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City of Palm Desert: Certified Autism Center

January 25, 2024

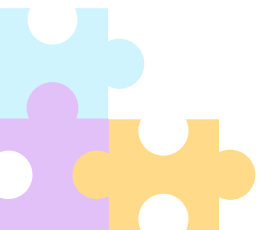
The background features several colorful puzzle pieces in shades of yellow, red, blue, and purple. A purple awareness ribbon is positioned at the top center. The main text is centered and reads:

**PALM DESERT BECOMES
THE FIRST MUNICIPALITY
IN CALIFORNIA
TO ACHIEVE AUTISM
CERTIFICATION**



Summary

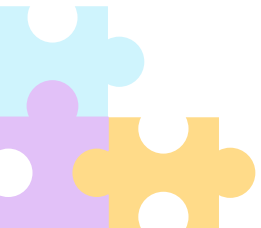
- ◆ What:
 - ◆ Certified Autism Center designation by the International Board of Credentialing and Continuing Education Standards
- ◆ Why:
 - ◆ Shows a commitment to providing serving to everyone
 - ◆ Enhances our capability to interact with and serve our community, guests, and employees
 - ◆ Join the Greater Palm Springs initiative to become a Certified Autism Destination





Summary

- ◆ How: Training
 - ◆ All Employees: Autism and Sensory Awareness
 - ◆ Supervisors: Autism Certificate Training
 - ◆ Department Leaders & HR: Neurodiversity Professional
 - ◆ At least 80% of employees completed training and passed a multiple question test
- ◆ Two-Year Certification
 - ◆ Access to IBCCES resources



Thank You
City of Palm Desert
Employees!

