



HOLLY ROBINSON PEETE
*Actress and Co-Founder of
the HollyRod Foundation*
Small Miracles Award
Recipient

Actress, author, talk show host, activist and philanthropist, Holly Robinson Peete will receive the 2015 Small Miracles Award in recognition of her advocacy and dedication to providing compassionate care to people living with autism. Her career as an actress began when she landed a starring role on 21 Jump Street in 1986. Over the next four decades, she continued to star in many other successful shows, which include Hangin' With Mr. Cooper, Celebrity Apprentice, The Talk and Mike & Molly. Early in 2016, Robinson Peete will be seen alongside her family in the highly anticipated new docu-series "For Peete's Sake" on the OWN network. In 1997, Robinson Peete and her husband, former NFL quarterback Rodney Peete, formed the HollyRod Foundation, inspired by her father's courageous battle with Parkinson's disease, with the mission to help improve the quality of life of people with Parkinson's. Then in 2005, inspired by their eldest son's autism diagnosis, HollyRod Foundation's mission expanded to provide support and resources to those affected by an autism diagnosis. Through the HollyRod Foundation and her family's personal experiences, Robinson Peete has become an advocate for consistent and reliable education, outreach and support for both Parkinson's and autism. The Peetes are especially proud of their "RJ's Place" grant program that provides technology, therapy devices and other needed items to autism centers and children's hospitals around the US & Canada.