



EVERY AUGUST UNTIL A CURE

WHAT IS ALS?

Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis

ALS is a progressive neurodegenerative disease that affects nerve cells in the brain and the spinal cord. When these motor neurons cease to work they stop signaling the brain to control muscles. **People with ALS eventually lose the ability to speak, eat, move and breathe, on average, within 3-5 years.**



ALS is **100%** fatal

In the United States, someone is **diagnosed** with ALS every **90 minutes**

And, every **90 minutes** someone with ALS **dies**

ALS ICE BUCKET IMPACT 2017

In 2014, the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge swept the globe, forever changing the face of ALS. Millions of dollars were raised and awareness reached an all time high. Three years later, major advances in ALS research and patient care have been made because of your continued support.

A New Drug

for ALS was approved by the FDA. Radicava (edaravone) is the first new drug for ALS in over 22 years.



A New Gene

variant in ALS was co-discovered at the Les Turner ALS Research and Patient Center at Northwestern Medicine.



1708

home visits in 2016

487

PALS at monthly support groups

68

Families received financial assistance

1489

Appointments at the Lois Insolia ALS Clinic

*2016 Audited Financial Statements

WHAT CAN YOU DO NOW?

Though progress is being made at an unprecedented rate, there is still work to be done! With promising treatments and research in the pipeline, we need your help to continue on a path towards a cure!



1

Raise awareness

by using social media to advocate for people with ALS

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Donate with confidence that 80 cents of every dollar spent directly funds programming



Let's challenge the world to help every August until a cure is found.

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