## alzheimer's 95 association

# ABOUT THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION



Currently, more than 5 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's disease, and 16 million are serving as their caregivers. The Alzheimer's Association® works to address this crisis by providing education and support to the millions who face dementia every day, while advancing critical research toward methods of treatment, prevention and, ultimately, a cure.

# WE PROVIDE CARE AND SUPPORT TO THOSE AFFECTED.

- » Our free nationwide 24/7 Helpline (800.272.3900), staffed by master'slevel clinicians and specialists, provides confidential support and information to all those affected in over 200 languages.
- » We conduct face-to-face support groups and educational programs in communities nationwide.
- » Our Alzheimer's and Dementia Caregiver Center provides easy access to in-depth information and online tools.
- » Our 24-hour emergency response service, MedicAlert® + Alzheimer's Association Safe Return®, provides assistance to individuals living with Alzheimer's or other dementias.
- » We deliver the world's most comprehensive portfolio of programs to inform and empower individuals living in the early stage of the disease.

# WE EDUCATE AND RAISE AWARENESS TO GROW UNDERSTANDING.

- » Our free education programs, available online and in person, feature information on the 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's, living with the disease, caregiving, and healthy lifestyle choices for the brain and body.
- » We provide health care professionals with reliable tools to assess cognitive impairment and to educate people living with dementia on available therapies to manage symptoms and care planning resources.
- » Our website, alz.org<sup>®</sup>, is a rich resource designed to inform and educate multiple audiences, including those living with the disease, caregivers and professional health care providers.
- » Our far-reaching campaigns raise awareness about Alzheimer's and the actions we can take together to fight it — and win.

## WE ACCELERATE RESEARCH ACROSS THE GLOBE.

- » As the world's largest nonprofit funder of Alzheimer's research, we have awarded more than \$410 million to nearly 2,700 proposals, providing funding for critical advancements.
- » We accelerate clinical studies through TrialMatch®, a free, easy-to-use clinical studies matching service for people with the disease, caregivers and healthy volunteers.
- » We play a key role in increasing knowledge about prevention. In 2018, the Association funded and implemented the U.S. POINTER study, a first-of-its-kind lifestyle intervention trial to prevent cognitive decline and dementia.

# WE ADVOCATE FOR THE NEEDS AND RIGHTS OF THOSE FACING ALZHEIMER'S.

- » Working with the Alzheimer's Impact Movement (AIM), the Association's advocacy arm, we assemble and train a nationwide network of advocates whose voices are critical in engaging elected officials.
- » We help to pass landmark legislation such as the National Alzheimer's Project Act, which mandated the creation of a national plan to fight Alzheimer's.
- » We call on the federal government to increase research funding and improve access to quality health care services for those living with the disease.





#### JOIN THE FIGHT

- » Volunteer for the Alzheimer's Association. Visit alz.org/CRF to find an office in your area.
- » Advocate for those affected by Alzheimer's and urge legislators to make the disease a national priority. Visit alz.org/advocacy.
- » Participate in or volunteer for our signature fundraising events to raise awareness and funds for Alzheimer's disease care, support and research: Walk to End Alzheimer's® (alz.org/walk) and The Longest Day® (alz.org/thelongestday).
- » Donate to advance vital research and provide care and support program Visit alz.org/donate.
- » Register for Alzheimer's Association TrialMatch® (alz.org/TrialMatch), a free, easy-to-use clinical studies matching service for individuals living with Alzheimer's, caregivers and healthy volunteers that generates customized lists of studies.



#### alz.org

A robust repository of up-to-date Alzheimer's-related information and resources.



### alz.org/CRF

We're in communities nationwide.



800.272.3900

24/7 Helpline – Available all day, every day.

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The Alzheimer's Association is the leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer's care, support and research. Our mission is to eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research; to provide and enhance care and support for all affected; and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health.

Our vision is a world without Alzheimer's disease®.

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