ALS Research Funding

Provide HOPE to thousands impacted by ALS by supporting the FY2024 Federal ALS Research Funding Asks:

$80M for the Department of Defense ALS Research Program

$150M for the National Institutes of Health

$100M for ACT for ALS

$15M for the National ALS Registry and Biorepository

What is ALS?

ALS, or amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, is a progressive disease in which a person’s brain loses connection with the muscles, slowly taking away their ability to walk, talk, eat, and eventually breathe.

There is still no cure for ALS or treatment that halts progression. New treatments are helping to slow and ease symptoms.

- Every 90 minutes someone is diagnosed with ALS and someone passes away from it
- Average life expectancy is just 2-5 years
- Veterans are more likely to get ALS
- ALS can affect anyone, anywhere, at any time.

90% of cases have no known family history or genetic cause. 10% of cases are genetic, also known as familial ALS.

About the ALS Association

Established in 1985, The ALS Association is the only national nonprofit organization fighting ALS on every front. By leading the way in global research, providing assistance for people with ALS, and fostering government partnerships, The Association builds hope and enhances the quality of life while aggressively searching for new treatments and a cure.

We are the largest philanthropic funder of ALS research in the world, supporting projects from around the globe with the highest potential impact for people living with ALS and their caregivers. Since the Ice Bucket Challenge in 2014, we have committed over $137 million to support more than 500 projects in the U.S. and 13 other countries, with the goal of making ALS a livable disease for everyone, everywhere until we can cure it.

Questions? Email: advocacy@als.org