The National Ataxia Foundation (NAF) was founded in 1957 to search for a cause and cure for Ataxia. This continues to be at the heart of the organization today. Ataxia is a devastating disease that negatively impacts peoples’ lives. NAF is a world leader in the Ataxia research field, using national and global collaboration to further research efforts.

We exist to improve the quality of life for persons with Ataxia and their caregivers through research, support group services, and education about managing their disease. NAF builds connections in the Ataxia community and empowers people to make the best choices possible to live better.

Advances in Ataxia science are happening rapidly. The support of our community is crucial, both from our donors and families, as we come closer to having effective treatment options available. NAF is taking a leadership role in helping pharmaceutical companies and education research institutes with recruiting efforts for research studies and clinical trials.

**Your support helps us move Ataxia research forward.** We will not stop until there is a cure.

A special thank you to our donors, Support Group Leaders, Ambassadors, volunteers, organization partners, researchers, and clinicians. Your impact on the Ataxia community is unparalleled and greatly appreciated. We look forward to another year of big advances in Ataxia research and support.

Bill Sweeney
President

Andrew Rosen
Executive Director

**NAF Mission:**

The National Ataxia Foundation is dedicated to improving the lives of persons affected by Ataxia through support, education, and research.
CLINICAL RESEARCH CONSORTIUM FOR THE STUDY OF CEREBELLAR ATAXIA

A cooperative initiative to improve Ataxia research and prepare for clinical trials. The consortium works together to study the natural progression of Ataxia and develop effective measurement guidelines for Ataxia research.

- **Research Initiatives Funded**: 27
- **Spent Funding Research Initiatives**: $1,172,387
- **Total People Enrolled in the Ataxia Patient Registry**: 1,743

**Sites**: Columbia University, Emory University, Houston Methodist Research Institute, Johns Hopkins University, Massachusetts General, Northwestern University, University of Arizona, University of California, University of Chicago, University of Florida, University of Michigan, University of Minnesota, University of Utah
IMPACT

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

26
Ataxia Awareness Events

57
Ataxia Support Groups in 41 States and 3 Countries

193
Ataxia Support Group Meetings Held

2018 ANNUAL ATAXIA CONFERENCE

Every year, NAF coordinates the world’s largest annual Ataxia gathering. For two days, conference attendees meet and learn from world-leading Ataxia researchers and clinicians, network, and reunite with old friends. Hundreds of people—from patients, to caregivers, to medical professionals—attend the conference.

531 Attendees | from 37 States | 6 Countries

32 Travel Grant Recipients

22 Birds of a Feather Sessions Provided

SUPPORT GROUP GROWTH

2007 2010 2013 2016 2018

30 35 38 41 57
Our donors make it possible to fund Ataxia research and offer support and education services to the Ataxia community. We are grateful for our supporters and will continue to utilize your donations to fulfill our mission to improve the lives of persons affected by Ataxia.
Corporate Partners

A generous group of corporations chose to partner with NAF in 2018, providing much needed support.

$25,000+
- Biohaven Pharmaceuticals

$10,000 - $25,000
- Albert Frei & Sons
- Biogen
- Cadent Therapeutics
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- Reata Pharmaceuticals

$5,000 - $9,999
- BioMarin
- Burnt Hills - Ballston Lake School District

$2,500 - $4,999
- A-T Children’s Project
- Cydan II
- Edwards Lifesciences
- FGX International
- Friedreich’s Ataxia Research Alliance
- Ionis Pharmaceuticals
- Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company
- Takeda Pharmaceutical Company

$1,000 - $2,499
- APDM
- Amazon Smile Shopping program
- Ataxia UK
- Cetera Advisor Networks
- CML Health Management
- Cruisin Cajun Country
- First Eagle Investment
- Fragasso Financial Advisors
- Hoffmann, Hoffmann & Gebhard
- Hunt & Viveiros
- Ingle Law Office
- Keches Law Group
- Law Offices of Brent A. Duque
- Medical Neurogenetics

Foundations

NAF was awarded numerous grants from foundations in 2018. We thank them all for their generous support and commitment to our mission.

$100,000+
- Gordon & Marilyn Macklin Foundation

$25,000+
- Anonymous Clementz Foundation

$10,000 - $25,000
- Babcox Family Foundation
- Leader Family Foundation

$5,000 - $9,999
- The Marcon Foundation Inc.
- Rotary Foundation

$2,500 - $4,999
- JP Morgan Chase Foundation
- The Saint Paul Foundation
- The CarMax Foundation
- The Community Foundation
- Evelyn S & Jim Horne Hankins

Community Giving Platforms

Although NAF does not receive individual donor information, we do want to recognize these Community Giving Platforms that contributed to us in 2018.

$100,000+
- Facebook

$25,000+
- United Way

$5,000 - $9,999
- Benevity Community Fund
- YourCause

$2,500 - $4,999
- Combined Federal Campaign
- Network for Good

$1,000 - $2,499
- Paypal Giving Fund
- Schwab Fund for Charitable Giving
- TRUIST

Advanced Masonry Restoration
Mississippi Polymers
Silicon Forensics
Steminent Biotherapeutics
Tegra Medical
Torres Electrical Supply Co

Exelon Foundation
Marcie L Anthone Charitable Fund

The J M A Foundation
PVH Foundation
Virginia Lucas Charitable Fund

Cybergrants StateStreet
Thrivent Choice
Travelers Community Connections
Individuals
Our generous donors allow NAF to continue our important work funding critical research and support services. These caring individuals who contributed at least $1,000 are listed below

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Each year, volunteers that want to take an active role in supporting NAF’s mission dedicate their time to organize fundraising events across the country. Their time and efforts allow NAF to continue leading the fight against Ataxia.

WALK N’ ROLL
Walk N’ Roll to Cure Ataxia is NAF’s largest grassroots fundraising event. Coordinated entirely by volunteers, Walk N’ Roll brings together thousands of people each year to help fight Ataxia. Our volunteers, walkers, rollers, and donors have raised more than $3,120,000 since 2007! Thank you for your support and commitment to support NAF’s mission.

16 Events Held
2,703 Participants
$443,890 Raised

Go the Extra Mile
479 Participants
$73,482 Raised

Passion Fundraising
8 Events
$53,075 Raised
## WORKING TOWARDS A CURE

### SUPPORT & REVENUE

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