MDA’S IMPACT IN 2018

MDA works across disease-specific boundaries because research breakthroughs in one disease can fuel progress in others.

INNOVATIONS IN SCIENCE

MDA is currently funding more than 170 grants, with a total commitment of more than $48 million.

In 2018, MDA launched MOVR, a comprehensive state-of-the-art data hub to optimize health outcomes, accelerate drug development, and enhance disease understanding.

In the last several years, 4 drugs have been approved by the FDA that can trace their origins to MDA funding. To date, only a handful of therapies have been approved to treat neuromuscular diseases.

INNOVATIONS IN CARE

MDA supports a nationwide network with 200+ appointment locations that provide multidisciplinary care to those living with 40+ neuromuscular diseases.

MDA’s National Resource Center provides educational resources and materials to help navigate living with neuromuscular disease.

Each year, thousands of children and teens attend MDA Summer Camp, where they have the opportunity to socialize, exercise independence, and learn valuable life skills.

MDA engages with advocates in all 50 states and almost every US Congressional district supporting public policy initiatives.

“At MDA, families are at the heart of all we do. We are driven every day to change the future for families by finding research breakthroughs across diseases, caring for individuals affected by neuromuscular disease from day one, and providing support to help them thrive.”

—R. Rodney Howell, M.D., Chairman of the MDA Board of Directors