



Muscular
Dystrophy
Association

ENVISIONING A WORLD WITHOUT LIMITS FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH NEUROMUSCULAR DISEASES.

A Legacy of Scientific Innovation

MDA's longstanding commitment to understanding and treating neuromuscular disease has catalyzed breakthroughs in genetic research, diagnostic methods, and the development of innovative therapies that were once thought to be unachievable.

Access to Comprehensive Care and Support

From the moment of diagnosis, MDA resources provide access to a continuum of care, ensuring that kids and adults living with neuromuscular disease can benefit from the highest standard of medical expertise and compassionate care.

Advocacy for a World Without Barriers

MDA's advocacy initiatives promote autonomy, fight workplace discrimination, and secure accessible healthcare for the neuromuscular disease community. MDA is dedicated to ensuring that every voice is heard, and every right is recognized.

Fostering Connections and Building an Empowered Community

The MDA community is a place where people living with neuromuscular disease and their families find connection, support, and strength. Our community programs create a nurturing environment where experiences, triumphs, and challenges are shared.

Connect With Us

There are many ways to be part of MDA's mission—whether by attending a local event, through volunteering or advocacy, or with a monthly gift. Every action helps drive progress in research, expands access to care, and increases support for people living with neuromuscular diseases. However you choose to get involved, you play a role in shaping a future with more possibilities.



RESEARCH



MDA provided support for **150 grants** through our research program and awarded **40 new grants** with the help of experts on our Research Advisory Committee.

Together, this represents a total funding commitment of nearly **\$35M** for the life of these projects.



Two new treatments approved in 2024 alone.



\$7M in neuromuscular disease research grants funded in 2024.

ADVOCACY



13,000 grassroots advocates across the country.



95 advocates met with legislators on Capitol Hill during MDA on the Hill, sharing their stories and urging action on key neuromuscular disease policies.



Strengthened air travel protections for passengers with disabilities in the **2024 FAA reauthorization & DOT's final rule.**



Secured full implementation of routine newborn screening for SMA in **all 50 states and Washington, DC.**

ACCESS TO CARE



The MDA Care Center served **70,000+ people** at **150+ locations** nationwide.



In 2024 MDA created the **MDA Caregiver Guide** - offering essential resources, expert insights, and self-care strategies to support caregivers.

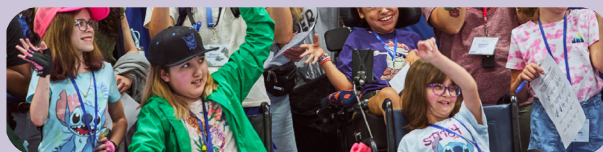


\$6 million funding awarded to support multidisciplinary, disease-specific care across the MDA Care Center Network.



The MDA Resource Center team provided one-on-one support for **25,500+ unique inquiries to the MDA Resource Center.**

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



848 campers experienced inclusion, empowerment, exploration, and growth at MDA Summer Camp.



69 families+ enjoyed fun and activities as part of our family getaway program.

MDA Community Support Groups provide connection and support for individuals and families with topics like **adult and pediatric care, ALS, and gene therapy.**



10 students received an MDA College Scholarship - making higher education **more accessible** for students living with neuromuscular diseases.