

## OFFICIAL SPONSOR PLEDGE SHEET

THE AVERAGE WALKER RAISES \$200! Please make checks payable to the National MS Society. A canceled check serves as a receipt, or call our office for receipt books.



-> DOUBLE YOUR PLEDGES: Remind sponsors to ask their employers about matching gifts.

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For more pledge sheets, please copy this form or download it from <u>walk4MS.org</u> (click on "Fundraising 101").

## WHAT IS MS?

Multiple sclerosis is a chronic, unpredictable and often disabling disease of the central nervous system which interrupts the flow of information from the brain to the body and stops people from moving. Every hour of every day, someone in the United States is diagnosed with MS. Most people with MS are diagnosed between the ages of 20 and 50, with more than twice as many women as men being diagnosed with the disease. MS affects more than 400,000 people in the U.S. and 2.5 million worldwide. Symptoms range from numbness and tingling to blindness and paralysis. The progress, severity, and specific symptoms of MS in any one person cannot be predicted but advances in research and treatment are moving us closer to a world free of MS.

## WHERE YOUR MONEY GOES



National Multiple Sclerosis Society

Local chapters of the National MS Society make a huge difference in the lives of those affected by MS and contribute to the significant advances that are being made in both understanding and treating

the disease. Your donation is making many impacts on those living with multiple sclerosis.

**RESEARCH** – is progressing at a remarkable rate. Funds raised by the chapter are helping researchers around the world to determine the cause of MS, develop treatments and ways to prevent MS, restore damage that has been done as a result of the disease, and to eventually find a cure

**SUPPORT PROGRAMS** – Life with MS impacts everyone in the family. The Greater Delaware Valley Chapter offers a full slate of programs aimed at educating people about how to overcome the disease's physical, social and financial effects, whether you are a person living with MS or a caregiver

**DIRECT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE** – Our chapter is committed to helping people with MS maintain independence through emergency financial assistance, medical equipment and home modifications, respite care, and transportation for medical appointments

**ACTIVISM** – The National MS Society advocates for federal, state and local government change essential to people with MS

## HOW YOUR DOLLARS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

- **\$75** provides three hours of home health aide care or a ride for a person with MS to get to their neurology appointment
- **\$100** pays for bathroom safety grab bars or incontinence supplies for one month
- **\$250** funds two physical therapy home visits
- **\$500** provides emergency funds for families living with MS to help with basic needs including food, rent, mortgage or utilities
- **\$1,000** covers the co-pay on an electric scooter
- **\$1,500** funds 10 counseling sessions for a person with MS
- **\$3,500** helps a person with MS install a custom stair glide
- **\$5,000** creates a memorial scholarship to help a student attend college who has MS or has a parent with MS
- **\$7,500** helps install an ADA ramp