

What is Parkinson's Disease?

Parkinson's Disease is a progressive neurological disorder affecting more than one and a half million Americans. **There is no cure, but there is hope.**

Contributions to Team Parkinson also support:

American Parkinson Disease Association

Parkinson's Action Network

Parkinson's Disease Foundation

The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research

The National Parkinson Foundation

The Parkinson Alliance

The Parkinson's Institute

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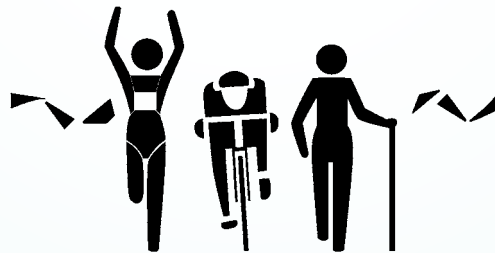
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Donations to Team Parkinson are welcome throughout the year. Checks can be made out to Team Parkinson and mailed to the address below. Online donations can be made to sponsor specific athletes registered in events, or generally at www.team-parkinson.org. Please feel free to call our toll free number with any questions.

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TEAM PARKINSON®



Ackerberg Team at the Los Angeles Marathon



Team Parkinson at the San Francisco Marathon



John Ball and his running mates at the LA Marathon

Who We Are

Formed in 2000 and co-chaired by John and Edna Ball, Team Parkinson (TP) is a non-profit organization. Under the guidance of The Parkinson Alliance, the TP staff and volunteers work year round toward the goal of raising funds for research to find a cure for Parkinson's disease.

*Our mission is threefold ... to raise Parkinson's disease awareness,
to raise money for research for a cure, and to
empower people with PD to take charge of their lives through exercise!*

TP is an official charity of the Los Angeles Marathon, and participates in races and other fundraising events throughout the country. In addition to participation in races, we have put on golf tournaments, dog walks and comedy events.

How You Can Get Involved

You may participate in one of our established events, or use an upcoming event in your area to help Team Parkinson expand its fund raising efforts. Team Parkinson welcomes anyone concerned with finding a cure for Parkinson's disease — people with Parkinson's, caregivers, family and friends - to join us as a participant, supporter or volunteer.

What We Guarantee

Under the guidance of The Parkinson Alliance, we proudly guarantee that 100% of all net proceeds go directly to Parkinson's research.

From its inception, Team Parkinson has proudly partnered with the Parkinson's Unity Walk, giving fifty percent of funds raised to The Walk. Both Team Parkinson and The Unity Walk support research toward a cure for Parkinson's disease.

Since 2000, Team Parkinson has supported pilot study grants through the major Parkinson's organizations/ research facilities that have Scientific Advisory Boards. Typical grants are awarded in the range of \$35,000 to \$50,000. Researchers must have pilot data in preparation for applying for major funding from the National Institutes of Health (NIH). It is crucial to fund promising pilot studies so that researchers can continue the important work of getting closer to finding a cure for Parkinson's disease.

Examples of research funded over the past several years include projects on exercise and Parkinson's disease; repetitive transcranial magnetic stimulation (rTMS); sleep issues, such as sleep apnea; and genetic and environmental causes of Parkinson's disease using zebrafish.

For more information and complete abstracts of all funded projects please refer to the website at:

www.team-parkinson.org and click on Grants & Funding.