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AMERICAN LIVER FOUNDATION



AMERICAN LIVER FOUNDATION DIVISIONS



- **Connecticut**
CT
- **Greater New York**
NY, Northern New Jersey
- **Mid-South**
AL, MS, AR, LA
- **Rocky Mountain**
CO, WY, MT
- **Desert Southwest**
AZ, NM, TX, UT, NV
- **Heartland**
IN, KY, OH
- **New England**
MA, ME, NH, RI, VT
- **Southeast**
NC, SC, GA, TN, FL
- **Great Lakes**
IL, MI
- **Mid-America**
MO, KS, NE
- **Northern California**
San Francisco
- **Texas**
TX, OK
- **Greater Los Angeles**
Los Angeles, Orange County
- **Mid-Atlantic**
Eastern/Central PA, DE, DC, MD, Southern and Central NJ, and VA
- **Pacific Coast**
San Diego, CA, HI
- **Upper Midwest**
MN, WI, ND, SD, IA
- **Pacific Northwest**
WA, OR, ID

ABOUT THE AMERICAN LIVER FOUNDATION

Founded in 1976, the American Liver Foundation (ALF) is the nation's largest patient advocacy organization for people with liver disease. ALF reaches more than two million individuals each year with health information, education and support services via its national office, U.S. divisions and an active online presence. Recognized as a trusted voice for individuals living with liver disease, ALF also operates a toll-free National Helpline (1-800-GO-LIVER); educates patients, policymakers and the public; and provides grants to early-career researchers to help find a cure for all liver diseases. Please visit www.liverfoundation.org for more information and resources.



COUNT ME IN

From the President & Chief Executive Officer

Dear Friends,

What a pleasure it is to welcome you to the American Liver Foundation's Annual Report **All In 2017**.

"All in" is an apt theme for a year in which liver disease left no city or community untouched. Hepatitis A broke out in San Diego and states like Maine and Massachusetts wrestled with an opioid epidemic worsened by its interplay with hepatitis C (HCV). All across the nation, the unwelcome phrase "you have liver cancer" brought individuals face-to-face with this deadly condition which is on the rise—even as other cancers are declining. People far and wide turned to the American Liver Foundation (ALF) for answers. We were there for them—all along the way.

All in 2017, ALF accelerated growth across our 16 Regional Divisions with the opening of an office in Miami, the launch of a Salt Lake City Medical Advisory Committee, and program activities for the first time in Hawaii.

The national rollout of our signature Ask the Experts education series created opportunities across dozens of cities for patients to connect with liver experts. Our new Veterans Initiative educated U.S. veterans about their increased risk of HCV. Even Hurricane Harvey could not stop Connect Texas—ALF's cross-sector collaboration that bridged the HCV treatment gap for medically underserved people.

All in one day on Capitol Hill, ALF patient advocates moved hearts in congressional offices. A new Alcohol-Related Liver Disease Cohort joined other media-trained patients in our National Patient Advisory Committee (NPAC) to support funding for liver disease research, increased access to care and expanded health education and testing. Beyond Capitol Hill, the NPAC's Primary Biliary Cholangitis (PBC) Cohort helped break the isolation of that rare disease with a new PBC Peer-to-Peer Support Program. And our Mid-America Division created a widely popular PBC Facebook Group that now boasts over 1,200 followers, an impressive number for such a rare condition.

Finally, our *Are You at Risk?* Liver Cancer Awareness Campaign was intense—literally raising awareness in more cities and languages than ever before and increasing inquiries to our National Helpline by almost 240% in one month. That's a record-breaker (1-800-GO-LIVER, indeed!).

If you are new to the American Liver Foundation's vibrant community, please enjoy getting to know us through this report. If you're already "in," enjoy reading about the 2017 accomplishments you helped make a reality.

With your support, the American Liver Foundation is giving it our all – for all those impacted by a liver disease.

Gratefully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thomas F. Nealon III". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Thomas F. Nealon III
President and CEO



ALL IN with Support Services and Education

Every year over **TWO MILLION PEOPLE** SERVICES AND EDUCATION. This includes **easy-to-read educational**

SPOTLIGHT

Support Community for PBC



When ALF's Mid-America Division wanted to hold a support group for people with Primary Biliary Cholangitis (PBC), we wondered how to drive turnout. ALF turned to Facebook to create what we thought would be a local PBC Facebook community. The numbers quickly soared, extending not just across the nation but also overseas. Today, there are over 1,200 Facebook participants who connect for weekly conversations facilitated by Donna Boll, a nurse and PBC activist. In 2018, ALF is replicating this model with other liver diseases.

National Helpline

All in 2017, ALF's National Helpline specialists responded to approximately 10,000 inquiries. Our team was available by phone, email, live chat, and even snail mail to listen, guide, and provide hope. Here are just a few examples:

- Greta was on ALF's website when a pop-up invited her to live chat with a Helpline specialist. She typed that she had fatty liver disease and feared getting cirrhosis. Our Helpline specialist helped her design a plan of action for how to incorporate her doctor's recommended dietary and lifestyle changes into her life.
- James emailed ALF when his wife was experiencing liver failure. Our Helpline specialist not only provided him with questions to ask her medical team, she helped him to feel empowered and ready to be the best caregiver possible.
- Adriano called ALF for information on liver transplants. Our Helpline specialist explained the initial steps of the process, provided a list of nearby transplant centers, and sent detailed educational materials. Adriano kept calling back for guidance throughout his life-saving journey.

You can reach the Helpline at 1-800-GO-LIVER (1-800-465-4837).

Community-Based Education Programs

Our core education programs, **Love Your Liver** and **Liver Wellness**, provide age-appropriate overviews of how to maintain good liver health. Our most popular program, **Viral Hepatitis**, targets those at highest risk of hepatitis A, B, or C. In 2017, ALF introduced two new community-based programs: **Alcohol and Your Liver** and **The ABC's of Nonalcoholic Fatty Liver Disease**.

BENEFIT FROM ALF'S SUPPORT

our toll-free National Helpline, national webinar series, materials, and interactive website.



ALF's resource library has materials available in multiple languages that cover more than 30 subjects.

Ask the Experts Series

On average, patients spend 9 – 29 minutes in a doctor's appointment. They are expected to take in – and remember - copious amounts of information. For the many patients who emerge with more questions, the American Liver Foundation's **Ask the Experts** series fills critical information gaps. This program, launched by our Heartland Division in 2016, provides patients and families the opportunity to hear from a panel of experts and have their questions answered. In 2017, ALF held these programs in more than 20 cities.

SPOTLIGHT

Ask the Experts in Chinese



According to the CDC, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPIs) make up less than 5% of the U.S. population, but account for more than 50% of the nearly one million Americans with chronic hepatitis B (HBV). ALF's Greater New York Division held an Ask the Experts program exclusively in Chinese where participants received HBV education and on-the-spot screening. Our partners included the Chinatown Community Center, Chinese American Medical Society, NYU Langone Medical Center and Visiting Nurse Services.



ALL IN WITH THE MEDICAL COMMUNITY

WEBINARS, CONFERENCES and VIDEOS are just some of the ways we connect with the medical community.

With the assistance of our National and Regional Medical Advisory Committee (MAC) members, ALF creates a wide range of programs and materials for physicians and other medical professionals across the nation.

2017 Regional Highlights

- Our Northern California Division's Liver Cancer Awareness Conference assembled preeminent liver cancer and transplant specialists from the University of California San Francisco (UCSF) and California Pacific Medical Center (CPMC) to shed light on liver cancer risks associated with hepatitis B and C.
- The Greater Los Angeles Division was among the nine ALF Divisions that held educational programs for medical specialists and other health providers that showcased the latest research on liver cancer surveillance.
- The Pacific Coast Division offered accredited programs in Honolulu for doctors and in San Diego for registered nurses, case managers, addiction counselors and others.
- The Mid-South Division held its annual Liver Symposium Series to share information on treatments for HCV, fatty liver disease, and hepatitis B as well as to discuss case studies on primary biliary cholangitis (PBC) and primary sclerosing cholangitis (PSC) in Memphis and Nashville.
- The Desert Southwest Division launched a new Regional Medical Advisory Committee in Salt Lake City and began offering educational events for the medical community on biliary atresia, viral hepatitis, nonalcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD)/ nonalcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH), PBC, PSC, transplant hepatology, and hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC).
- The Connecticut Division's Organ and Tissue Donation Passport Program educated healthcare professionals about liver transplantation and organ donation research studies taking place in their own backyard.
- The Heartland Division's 12th Annual Liver Matters Conference in Cleveland, Ohio brought together more than 60 primary care physicians, gastroenterologists, hepatologists, oncologists, transplant surgeons, infectious disease specialists, internists, registered nurses and nurse practitioners to discuss novel approaches for NASH.
- The Southeast Division provided medical education on novel research and therapies to its newly established Medical Advisory Committee in South Florida.
- Our New England Division's Massachusetts and Maine Opioid Conferences focused on the intersection of opioid abuse and HCV. They were attended by nearly 200 healthcare professionals. In 2017, this Division also hosted its annual Irwin M. Arias Symposium, which bridges the divide between the lab bench and clinical table through presentations by a diverse panel of biomedical scientists and physicians.



WE'RE ALL IN

The greater the CHALLENGE to a community, the greater the number of stakeholders needed to SOLVE IT.

In 2017, ALF partnered with government agencies, local community groups, industry stakeholders and more to facilitate the prevention, treatment and cure of liver disease. Below are examples of our all in effort to combat HCV.

Coming Together to End Hepatitis C

ALF helped make HCV testing more accessible to those at risk and linked individuals to care.

In Texas, through our Connect Texas initiative, ALF and **Linkage to Health** worked with local health departments and federally qualified health centers to establish testing programs in eight Texas counties. That was just the start. Now, each testing site has a system to link individuals with positive screens to treatment.

In Denver, our Rocky Mountain Division hosted monthly HCV testing events.

In Chicago, our Great Lakes Division partnered with **Brothers Health Collective** and **Making a Daily Effort** to test nearly 7,000 individuals at-risk for HCV and HIV.

Heading north to Maine, our New England Division went all in with partners including **Portland's Public Health Division** and the **India Street Public Health Center/Portland Needle Exchange Program**. They held a full-day professional conference that got the community and local media talking about rising rates of opioid abuse and HCV.

The veterans' community also embraced our HCV information. Baby boomer veterans are especially vulnerable—a full five times more likely to be infected than veterans from other generations. ALF reached veterans in major cities, including Boston, New York, Phoenix and San Diego.

VETERANS ARE
3X
MORE LIKELY TO
HAVE CHRONIC
HEPATITIS C
than the general population.

Consult with a healthcare professional to learn more about personal risk factors, screening, and treatment for chronic hepatitis C infection.

For more information, visit
www.liverfoundation.org/VeteransandHepC
or call the American Liver Foundation
National Helpline **1-800-GO-LIVER**
(1-800-465-4837).

Developed through a collaboration between the American Liver Foundation and Merck Sharp and Dohme Corp, a subsidiary of Merck & Co., Inc.

ALF and Merck teamed up to educate veterans about HCV.

Our Divisions are engaging with local coalitions to provide a voice for liver patients. For example, ALF's Texas Division is a founding member of the **North Texas Viral Hepatitis Task Force**, our Pacific Coast Division is facilitating the development of a county-wide HCV elimination plan in San Diego, and our Great Lakes Division has agreed to provide support to the **HCV Elimination Task Force** in Chicago.



The American Liver Foundation advocates for PATIENT NEEDS on the state and federal level

ALF's Awareness Day on Capitol Hill

Every year, the American Liver Foundation turns patients, parents, and caregivers into changemakers. In 2017, more than 50 patient advocates tackled the winter's largest nor'easter to join ALF for meetings with representatives from over 60 congressional offices in Washington, DC.

Extreme weather could not stop the passionate members of ALF's National Patient Advisory Committee (NPAC) who came great distances to deliver their message on Capitol Hill. This diverse group of individuals represents a wide range of liver conditions, including HCV, primary biliary cholangitis, nonalcoholic fatty liver disease, nonalcoholic steatohepatitis, transplant recipients and more. This year, ALF trained its newest NPAC cohort, individuals who survived acute alcohol-related hepatitis (AAH).

"Sometimes your own personal story is the best thing you can give," said Jay Beyer-Kropuenske, a member of the AAH cohort of our National Patient Advisory Committee. A successful professional and dedicated father, Jay spent 49 days in intensive care. He was in a coma for 39 of those days, after which he had to learn to walk again.

Jay shared his story during ALF's Advocacy Day on Capitol Hill. He returned to D.C. just two weeks later to speak with members of the Food and Drug Administration's Center for Drug Evaluation and Research. Members of this committee were interested in learning



NPAC Member William Yarbrough and Community Outreach and Education Manager for ALF's Mid-Atlantic Division Diedre Guy prepare to visit members of Congress on Capitol Hill. When not in D.C., Diedre travels throughout her Division educating people about HCV, NAFLD, liver health, and pediatric liver disease.

more about his patient journey, as they were tasked with recommending endpoints for relevant clinical trials.

You can hear Jay's story as part of our AAH Patient Video Series. Jay also lectures about acute alcohol-related hepatitis and other possible consequences of binge-drinking at colleges and universities near his home in St. Paul, MN, where he is on the Board of our Upper Midwest Division. "With students, I'm all about telling them that they may feel invincible, but their livers definitely are not...It's great that I have a second chance, but I don't want them to need one," said Jay.

Watch Jay's story on our website at liverfoundation.org/acute-alcohol-hepatitis-patient-advocate-jay/.



ALF advocates make their voices heard in Washington, DC.

SPOTLIGHT

Liver Activist

Rick J. Nash is all in to end liver disease. He has amassed a lot of experience so far. Diagnosed with HCV as a child—before today’s effective cures were available—he spent three years on a transplant waiting list before receiving the gift of a lifetime.

Now, Rick is determined to give back. He’s an HCV activist fighting to dispel misconceptions and biases about liver disease. He stood with ALF throughout 2017:

- **Encouraging the re-introduction of the Viral Hepatitis Testing Act and the Organ Donation Awareness and Promotion Act during a visit to his Congressman’s district office.**



- **Sharing his personal experience of having hepatitis C at the California Chronic Care Coalition Stakeholder Conference, “Mapping the Future of Health Reform.”**
- **Speaking at an ALF press conference about the need to protect patients caught in healthcare reform’s shifting currents while wearing a t-shirt bearing a proud message: “Hello, my preexisting condition is hepatitis C.”**

Ask Rick if ALF activism takes up too much of his time, and he’ll tell you, “It’s not about time; it’s about hope.” He should know. In 2017, Rick was cured of hepatitis C.



ALL IN to Raise Awareness

ALF increased AWARENESS ABOUT THE LIVER and over one hundred liver diseases.



From left to right: Terry Cunningham, NACM, Pacific Coast Division Board President; Lisa Nyberg, MD, MPH, Pacific Coast Division Board member; Congressman Scott Peters; Lori Plutchak, Patient Advocate & Pacific Coast Division Board member; Rick Nash, Patient Advocate; and RB Johnson, MD, FACC, Pacific Coast Division Board member.

Bringing Attention to Hepatitis A

When a hepatitis A outbreak emerged in San Diego, ALF used World Hepatitis Day to launch a media campaign to raise awareness of the crisis. Through a series of local television interviews, we were able to spotlight the problem and increase the public's understanding about how the outbreak was being spread.

Two weeks later, the County of San Diego declared a local health emergency. The crisis was acknowledged as one of the largest health threats California had experienced since the hepatitis A vaccine was introduced in 1995. ALF worked with county health officials to educate the public about which at-risk populations should be vaccinated and continued our media

campaign. An editorial in the San Diego Union-Tribune by Scott Suckow, Executive Director of our Pacific Coast Division, addressed the stigma associated with the homeless community where the outbreak first appeared.

By the end of 2017, vaccinations had been provided to 121,921 at-risk individuals across the county. On January 23, 2018, the local health emergency was declared over-- five months after it had begun.

ARE YOU AT RISK FOR LIVER CANCER? LEARN THE FACTS.

IN THE U.S.
Liver cancer claims nearly 29,000 lives per year, or more than 79 Americans each day. In the future, liver cancer has steadily rising for several decades in the U.S., despite progress in cancer research and the development of new treatments. In 2017, it's estimated that more than 40,000 new cases of liver cancer will be diagnosed in the U.S.

GLOBAL IMPACT
Liver cancer may be talked about less than other cancers, but it's one of the most common types of cancer in many countries.
WORLDWIDE:
700,000+ people are diagnosed with liver cancer each year
600,000+ people die from liver cancer each year

RISK FACTORS Signs and symptoms of liver cancer often do not appear until the disease has advanced so it's important to be aware of the risk factors, some of which include:

- GENDER**
The lifetime risk for developing liver cancer for an average man: 1 in 76
for an average woman: 1 in 185
- HEAVY ALCOHOL USE**
Alcohol abuse is a leading cause of cirrhosis in the U.S., which in turn is linked with an increased risk of liver cancer.
- OBESITY**
Obesity increases the risk of developing liver cancer.
- CHRONIC VIRAL HEPATITIS**
Long-term infection with the hepatitis B or C virus represents the most common risk factor worldwide.
- ANABOLIC STEROID USE**
Long-term use of anabolic steroids, or male hormones, can slightly increase the risk for liver cancer.
- TYPE 2 DIABETES**
Type 2 diabetes has been linked with an increased risk of liver cancer.
- RACE ETHNICITY**
In the U.S., Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders have the highest liver cancer rates, followed by American Indian/Alaska Natives and Hispanic Americans. Black Americans and white Americans have the lowest rates.

SYMPTOMS
Signs and symptoms of liver cancer often do not appear until the disease progresses. Symptoms to look out for include:

- Loss of appetite, feeling of fullness or weight loss
- Pain in the abdomen or near the right shoulder blade
- Itching or swelling
- Yellowing of the skin
- Swollen abdomen
- Itchy skin
- Enlarged spleen

SCREENING & EARLY DIAGNOSIS
It's important to be aware of the risk factors and discuss them with a doctor so screening tests can be included in regular physical exams, as needed.
Diagnosing liver cancer early is key, as a patient's chance of survival nearly doubles if the disease is caught early.

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT LIVER CANCER AND YOUR RISK, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR AND VISIT
WWW.LIVERFOUNDATION.ORG/LIVERCANCER

ALF teamed up with Bayer and Gilead to raise awareness about liver cancer.

Are You at Risk? Liver Cancer Awareness Campaign

In its fourth consecutive year, ALF's *Are You at Risk?* Liver Cancer Awareness Campaign educated the public about liver cancer, connected those in need to helpful resources, and fought the stigma that often comes with a liver cancer diagnosis.

Through billboard and transit advertising, our messages reached millions in Chicago, Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, New York and San Francisco. In collaboration with our Greater Los Angeles Division, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center joined the campaign to raise greater awareness. A national satellite media tour included interviews with Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center's Ghassan Abou-Alfa, MD, a member of ALF's National Medical Advisory Committee and ALF President and CEO Tom Nealon. These broadcasts reached 4.7 million listeners in over 200 cities.

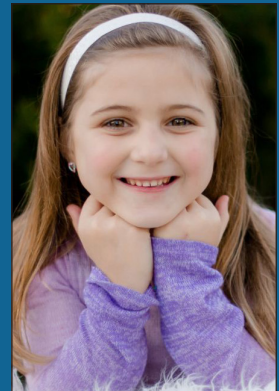
Walking to Raise Awareness (and Dollars, too)

In 2017, ALF's Liver Life Walk® raised liver awareness in 35 cities across America. Hundreds of teams— led by individuals with liver disease, local hospitals, doctors, businesses and community organizations— laced up their shoes for a good cause. Together, they raised \$1.5 million to help walk liver disease out of town.

SPOTLIGHT

A Small Walker Takes Big Steps to Raise Awareness

When she was two months old, Alexandra's parents knew something was wrong. She would scratch herself until bleeding. She visited dozens of specialists. None could solve the mystery. Then her symptoms just disappeared.



Before her third birthday, the symptoms came back, worse than ever. She was prescribed medication on Thursday, and by Sunday she was bright yellow.

She was rushed to the hospital with acute liver failure and received a diagnosis of Progressive Familial Intrahepatic Cholestasis (PFIC), a genetic disease.

Today, Alexandra is mostly asymptomatic. She is six years old, loves gymnastics, playing with friends and walking in ALF's Liver Life Walk®!



ALF'S RESEARCH AWARDS support early career investigators.

SPOTLIGHT

ALF Award Winner



Rockefeller University's Ruisi "Rose" Wang was not sure what to study when she stepped into the first class of her PhD program. But when a family member developed end-stage liver disease, it changed everything. "That was the day I knew I wanted to fight liver disease," she explained. Today, Dr. Wang is using her ALF Research Award to regenerate a type of liver cell that might reverse liver fibrosis. "ALF's support is why I can work on my own projects," she said in appreciation. "ALF is why I innovate."

2017 Research Award Winners

In 2017, we recognized 11 outstanding scientists who are accelerating liver research and adding knowledge to the field. We are proud to list them here:

American Liver Foundation Liver Scholar Award

Graham Brady, MD, PhD
University of Michigan
Role of the Nuclear Lamina in
Nonalcoholic Fatty Liver Disease
Mentor: M. Bishr Omary, MD, PhD

Charles Trey, MD Memorial Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Award

Yongfeng Song, MD, PhD
University of Connecticut
ZEB1/EpCAM Axis in LncRNA
H19-Mediated Cholestasis
Mentor: Li Wang, PhD

NASH Fatty Liver Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Award

Mariana L. Acuña, PhD
Cornell University
ACOT12-Mediated Acetyl-CoA
Degradation in the Pathogenesis of
Nonalcoholic Fatty Liver Disease
Mentor: David E. Cohen, MD, PhD

American Liver Foundation Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Award

Enis Kostallari, PhD
Mayo Clinic
PDGFR-Alpha Trafficking Through
Hepatic Stellate Cell-Derived
Extracellular Vesicles
Mentor: Vijay H. Shah, MD

Irwin M. Arias, MD Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Award

Paul J. Wrighton, PhD
Brigham and Women's Hospital/
Harvard Medical School
How Liver Stiffness
Promotes Liver Cancer
Mentor: Wolfram Goessling, MD, PhD

Alexander M. White, III Memorial Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Award

Kazuki Takeshi, MD, PhD
University of Pittsburgh
Mass Production of iPS-Derived
Hepatocytes to Engineer
Autologous Liver Graft
*Mentor: Alejandro Soto-Gutierrez,
MD, PhD*

“ *As a scientist and researcher myself, nurturing the next generation’s bright ideas by being part of ALF’s Research Awards Committee is especially gratifying.* ”

—Dr. Jasmohan S. Bajaj, MD, MS, SACG, AGAS

Hans Popper Memorial Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Award

Ruisi (Rose) Wang, PhD
 The Rockefeller University
 Novel Stem Cell Approaches to Explore Hepatic Stellate Cell Biology
Mentor: Charles M. Rice, PhD

American Liver Foundation Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Award

Liuyi Hao, PhD
 University of North Carolina at Greensboro
 The Role of ATF4 In Alcoholic Hepatitis
Mentor: Zhanxiang Zhou, PhD

American Liver Foundation Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Award

Barent N. DuBois, PhD
 Chapman University School of Pharmacy
 Effect of Acute-On-Chronic Liver Failure on Drug Metabolism in the Brain
Mentor: Reza Mehvar, PharmD, PhD

Herman Lopata Memorial Hepatitis Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Award

Chun-Hao Huang, PhD
 The Regents of the University of California, Berkeley
 Understanding Cellular Immune Response to Viral Translation During Liver Damage
Mentor: Jennifer A. Doudna, PhD

American Liver Foundation Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Award

Wei Wang, MD
 New York University School of Medicine
 Role of Gamma Delta-T Cells in the Pathogenesis Of NASH
Mentor: George Miller, MD

ALF Honors Physician-Scientist

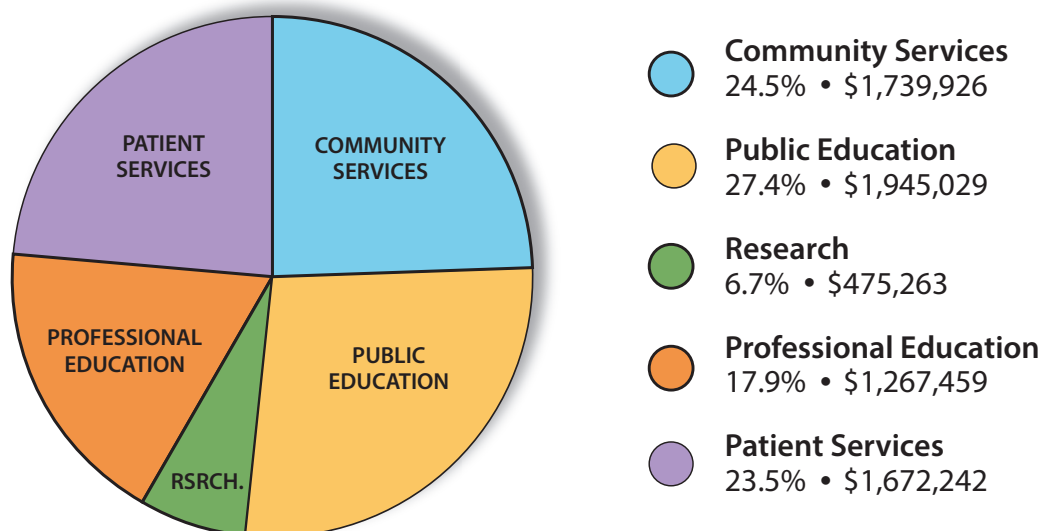
Dr. Arun Sanyal received ALF’s 2017 Distinguished Scientific Achievement Award. His research, continuously funded by the National Institutes of Health, has spanned translational science from basic discovery to first-in-humans and advanced phase clinical trials as well as regulatory aspects of drug development. Currently Professor of Medicine, Physiology and Molecular Pathology at Virginia Commonwealth University School of Medicine in Richmond, Virginia, Dr. Sanyal helped establish and now chairs a Liver Forum which convenes leading thinkers from the FDA, European Medical Agency, NIH, academia, and industry stakeholders.



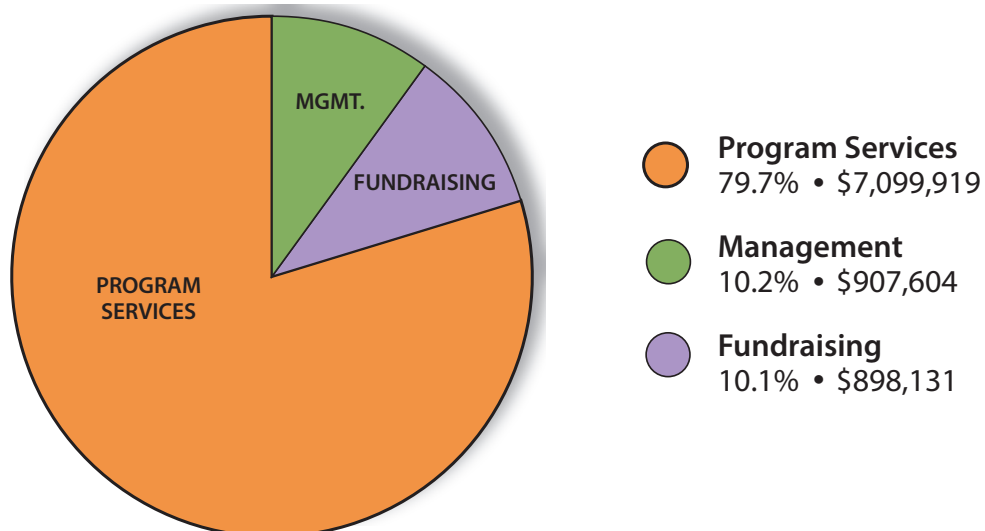
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Gifts to the American Liver Foundation help improve life for people with liver disease through advocacy, education, support services, and research. We are committed to being the best possible stewards of donated funds, honoring donor intent and practicing financial transparency.

Program Services



Program Expenses



Financial Statements

Balance Sheet			Statement of Activities		
Assets	2017	2016	Public Support & Revenues	2017	2016
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,458,383	\$ 1,344,390	Contributions	\$ 3,901,538	\$ 4,551,624
Investments	2,523,272	2,548,877	Investment Income, Net	291,171	102,343
Contributions Receivable	934,485	857,931	Other	33,727	11,876
Prepaid Expenses and Other Assets	288,229	244,797	Special Events,		
Property and Equipment, Net	116,422	162,082	Net of Direct Expenses	5,119,503	4,981,427
Total Assets	\$ 5,320,791	\$ 5,158,077	Total Public Support & Revenues	9,345,939	9,647,270
Liabilities and Net Assets			Program Services		
Liabilities:					
Accrued Expenses	\$ 263,206	\$ 238,050	Public Education	1,945,029	2,016,769
Payroll & Related Liabilities	265,485	276,987	Research	475,263	453,287
Funds Held on Behalf of Others	801,234	808,606	Professional Education	1,267,459	1,243,301
Awards and Grants Payable	175,000	137,500	Patient Services	1,672,242	1,635,176
Deferred Rent Payable	169,828	191,181	Community Services	1,739,926	1,367,682
Loan Payable		300,000			
Total Liabilities	1,674,753	1,952,324	Total Program Services	7,099,919	6,716,215
Net Assets Surplus/(Deficit):			Supporting Services		
Unrestricted	(299,628)	(275,929)	Management & General	907,604	900,792
Temporarily Restricted	2,953,631	2,489,647	Fundraising	898,131	886,310
Permanently Restricted	992,035	992,035	Total Support Services	1,805,735	1,787,102
			Total Cost of Program & and Supporting Services	8,905,654	8,503,317
Total Net Assets	3,646,038	3,205,753			
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 5,320,791	\$ 5,158,077	Change in Net Assets	440,285	1,143,953
			Net Assets, beginning of year	3,205,753	2,061,800
			Net Assets, end of year	\$3,646,038	\$3,205,753

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In 2017, the American Liver Foundation celebrated forty-one years of providing hope and help across the nation. Our progress rested on the solid foundation of generous individuals, foundations and corporations listed below. For all in for the millions of people ALF served in 2017, we thank you.*

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