

NATIONAL ACTIVE AND RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION



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TO: Regional Alzheimer's Coordinators

FROM: Olivia Ashford Williams

RE: NARFE National Alzheimer's Association September 2025 Reports and News

Good afternoon Regional Alzheimer's Coordinators and others,

I Pray you and your families are doing fine, along with staying away from the heavy Pollen.

***** Special thanks to all of you for all your hard work as members of the NARFE Alzheimer's National Committee. As you know, we still have a lot of work to do as we begin our new 2026 Fiscal Year, along with our upcoming Training.**

NARFE fundraising National total as of SEPTEMBER 30, 2025, is \$16,750,991.41 INCLUDING THE FUNDS OUR CHAPTER TEAM RAISED FOR THE ALZHEIMER'S WALKS AND THE LONGEST DAY FOR 2024. This also includes \$2,821.52 from the Chapter Teams and the Captains in the amount raised from the 2025 Longest Day is \$2,363.00 and \$84,413.00 raised from the 2024 Walk to End Alzheimer's contributions which is reported in this month and is included at the bottom of your NARFE Federation State Totals Sheet. GREAT JOB EVERYONE AND LET'S CONTINUE TO WORK HARD DURING the last few months of 2025.

During SEPTEMBER 2025, our members raised a combined total of \$16,508.25 UP \$7,432.10 from this time in SEPTEMBER 2024 TOWARDS "OUR NEW NARFE GOAL OF \$17 MILLION BY DECEMBER 2026". **AGAIN, SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL THE NARFE MEMBERS WHO MADE IT HAPPEN AND FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROUS DONATIONS.**

We have raised \$45,491.14 in the First Three Months of FY 2026 compared to \$40,219.54 in FY 2025, which is up \$5,271.16 from this time last year. NARFE Chapters let's keep up the Good Work.

*******Reminder, Chapters can still make donations to NARFE Alzheimer's disease Research Program by sending in their donations directly to the Alzheimer's Association in Chicago with the Chapter Name and Number on their check. However, they should send their donations to their Chapter Treasurers in order for them to send them to their Federation Alzheimer's Coordinators, then they should send a copy of the check and the Alzheimer's NARFE Detail Summary Sheet that they are sending to the Alzheimer's Association in Chicago, IL for NARFE Alzheimer's Research. Also, along with the proper documentation.**

This will help us be better able to identify and keep up with a check where the address of the person lives and the address on the Check is different from their Chapter State which means their donation may show up in the State they live in which is a different State than the Chapter.

Therefore, when they get these where the person donating lives in one State and their Chapter is in another State, the Federation Alzheimer's Coordinator should send you a copy of the NARFE Detail Summary Sheet as well for me to correct and put it in the correct state.

******* Again, Congratulation to The Top Five Highest Amounts Raised for the Federation Awards and the Top Five Highest Amounts Per Capita Dues. Please see the attached Sheet with the Amounts. Highest Amounts: 1st Place Virginia, 2nd Place South Dakota, 3rd Place West Virgin, 4th Place Pennsylvania and 5th Place Kansas.**

Per Capita Dues Highest Amounts: 1st Place South Dakota, 2nd Place Idaho, 3rd Place New Hampshire, 4th Place Oregon and 5th Place Virginia. Special thanks to all of Federations.

Letters and Certificates will be going out to the Winning States in the later next week.

I will forward the Top Two Winners for the Longest Day in the next two weeks.

***** Reminder regarding upcoming Federation Conferences: Reminder that many of your Federations are having In-Person Conferences this year. Therefore, please remember that if you are invited to attend to speak, you must receive a letter inviting you to speak from the Federation President or the designated person for the Conference. Please remember to submit the letter, along with the Estimated Expenses on the correct Request to Travel Form to me and please do not plan to travel until you have been approved by me and President Shackelford as well.**

The Request should be submitted at least 60 days before your Conference if possible. Therefore, please be sure to include this information in your letter and/or your email to the Federation Presidents/Alzheimer's Coordinator.

As a Reminder, remember NARFE does not pay for you to be there just for the Alzheimer's Table Set-up. Also, you might want to contact your Federation Presidents and/or your Federation Alzheimer's Coordinators to remind them that you need a written Invite to attend their Conference in order for NARFE to Reimburse for your Expenses.

*****Also, please keep in mind that we still have a Covid Pandemic and your safety is very**

important. Therefore, you can always opt out and participate via ZOOM and just let me know that you are participating. There is also a new Covid that is out now, so please be careful.

******* If you receive an Invitation to speak at a Federation Conference and you attended last year in-person, you cannot attend again this year at NARFE Expenses. You can only attend in-person every two years. **However, if the Federation invites you to speak and they are paying for your expenses and not NARFE, you can attend.** Please be sure you have it in writing that they are paying your expenses or a portion of them to attend to speak. Please forward your reimbursement original readable legible expenses Receipts.

Remember your Federation does not count, and you can attend every year, as NARFE does not cover any expenses for you to attend your Federation Conference. However, they may cover them.

Reminder: Please remind your Chapters that 100% of the NARFE Alzheimer's Donations goes to Alzheimer's Research to hopefully one Day find a Cure!!! Maybe this will help encourage our members to give more Donations next year.

*****Thanks for those Chapters and Federations that are going the extra mile in collecting donations for Longest Day and the Walk to End Alzheimer's donations before December 30, 2025. Therefore, it is time to make sure your Teams are set up the Longest Day which is usually celebrated through July and longer. It can be just getting together at you Chapter Meeting and playing some Games while having some Fun and take pictures to send in to Melissa Labonge in jpg or the Longest Day sight.**

*****As the Walk to End Alzheimer's and the Longest Day National Coordinator, I am asking everyone to remind your Federations and Chapters to get their Walk Teams Pictures to me or you, so I can get them to Melissa LaBonge to post them on our NARFE National Team Page. Please send them in jpg per Melissa Labonge. Thanks.**

Also, please do not forget to send to your Federation Alzheimer's Coordinators and your Federation Presidents the information that I recently sent to you from Melissa LaBonge with lots of information for the Longest Day which may ended July 31, 2025. However, we still take the Donations.

***** Since NARFE is back on the National Banner as a NATIONAL TEAM, we still need to exceed our GOAL of \$100,000.00 in order to stay on the**

National Banner. Therefore, let me thank all of you for all your hard work. However, please remind your Chapters and Federations that we must continue to raise over \$100,000,00 each year to stay on the National Alzheimer's Banner which we did not do last year, However, we can do this year. Please share your Walk Team Link once your Team is setup for anyone to donate. Lots of Walk to End Alzheimer's information is on the NARFE National Team Page for you to download and send out to your Chapters. More information is available on our NARFE National Walk Team Page.

Your Teams should be set up by now which will give us more time to raise the Walk and the Longest Day funds. Even if you do not walk, please register on the Team as a Team member with the donation. This is also so you can get your T-Shirt for Donations over \$100.00 while making your donation and give your Size, so it will be mailed directly to you. Please spread the Word and ask your Chapter Teams to get Set-up and solicit Walk donations.

*****Please pass this information to your Chapters and Federation, as we need to make sure that our Chapter Walk Teams are registered under NARFE National Teams (which is listed under the National Teams, then under Silver). Remember, we still need to raise more than \$100,000.00 to remain a National Team on the NARFE Banner. We did it with your help last year and we are hopeful that many of you continued donating through December 30, 2025, so it will count in this year's donations.**

Again, a Special Thank you to all the NARFE Members and the NARFE Teams for your generous Walk Donations. Please get your Walk Teams Registered for the 2025 Walks, as the States have their Dates for the Walks already set up and you cannot start too soon with your Fundraising. The sooner you get your Team registered, then you will have more time to raise Funds. Also, remind them to register under National Teams as a Team Member under Silver, then NARFE even if they do not walk. Especially, for Donations over \$100.00 in order to receive a Walk T-Shirt.

*****Again, special thanks to the Chapters that participated in the Longest Day in the Fight against Alzheimer's disease and please continue to tell your Story why you walk and raise money for Alzheimer's and send the**

links for your Team support and please remind your Chapters to do the same with their Teams.

Please continue to reach out to your Congressional Leaders for their Support of the new Alzheimer's Drug Lecanemab which is not a cure, but it could slow down the condition and maybe extend their Life. I know that it is not a Cure yet, but more research is being done to hopefully one day soon with a Cure. It is also showing promise to slow the disease down, although it is not a cure yet!!!

Therefore, I am asking each of you to continue reaching out to your Congressional Leaders and Senators even when they are home on break before they are back in Washington, DC from their break. Please encourage your Chapter Members to contact their Office, as well and ask them to take action on this situation, as this Drug is very much needed for many to at least to hopefully slow down the Alzheimer's disease, while maybe extending their Life. If everyone reaches one what a difference this would make.

***** Notes from Catherine Marquis dated October 16, 2025 for the September 2025 NARFE ALZHEIMER'S Reports concerning the State's Report Donations for your information:**

The Fundraising Report provides a full list of all NARFE Research donations received and deposited during the current processing month. ***Beginning with FY25, all planned gifts for NARFE research are reported on a separate spreadsheet tab which will be updated as additional planned gifts are designated to NARFE research. If no gifts are listed for the current reporting month, no planned gifts were designated to NARFE research during that period.**

Please note that the column headers 'Deposit Date' and 'Payment Amount' in columns E and G respectively are now named 'Donation Date' and 'Donation Amount' from our new CRM system.

The Fundraising Analysis provides insight on the total NARFE fundraising amount year-to-date, as well as the grand total amount and a yearly historical progression of total fundraising. As noted above, planned gifts are tracked separately from the monthly totals.

Please email us at narfe@alz.org if you have any questions relating to the reports or specific gifts, data, so that you may see the progression of the total fundraising over the years.

Thank you for your continued support of the Alzheimer's Association and sharing our vision of a world without Alzheimer's. Thank you so much, **Catherine Marquis** | *Specialist, Quality Control.*

******Please remember that Chapter dues under no situations should not be used for Donations to the Alzheimer's Association. Even if the Chapter is closing, they cannot donate the Funds to NARFE Alzheimer's Research. Only Funds collected for**

Alzheimer's can be used for NARFE Alzheimer's Research or the Walk to End Alzheimer's.

Please refer them to the Newest Chapter Manual and the information in our Alzheimer's Chapter and Federation Manuals. Please remind your Federation Presidents and all your Chapters, because many Chapters are still doing this now. This is a very Serious Violation and therefore another reminder!!!

Reminder regarding the NEW NARFE ALZHEIMER'S SUPPLY ORDER FORM: Please be sure the Federation Alzheimer's Coordinator, Federation Treasurer, or Chapter Alzheimer's Coordinators when ordering Alzheimer's Supplies for a Chapter or Federation Functions from the National Alzheimer's Association in Chicago, IL, please be sure to email the Form to the Email Address on the Form. The new Form was sent out to you several months ago and it is also listed under your Forms.

********REMINDERS: Please make sure your Federation Alzheimer's Coordinators/Federation Treasurers know to check the Fundraising Summary Reports every month to make sure they do not have any donations where the Chapter member lives in a different state than where their NARFE Chapter is located. This is so I can be notified in the next month in order to make the necessary changes hopefully within the next two months and in the same Fiscal Year. Also, I need proof of the change in for me to change it.***

1. Also, please remind the Federation Alzheimer's Coordinator or Federation Treasurer to send the Regional Alzheimer's Coordinator a copy of the ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION - NARFE PAYMENT DETAIL SUMMARY SHEET when they are sending in their Report to the Alzheimer's Association.

2. Please be sure all your Federation Alzheimer's Coordinators/Federation Treasurers are sending the Monthly NARFE Chapter Donations using the new ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION - NARFE PAYMENT DETAIL SUMMARY SHEET. *The old version of this Form is unacceptable.*

3. Also, remind your Federations and Chapters that they should not be holding their NARFE Alzheimer's Research donations. They should be sending in the donations monthly and this is in the Chapter and Federation Manuals. Not once a year.

******Some Chapters are sending in donations once a year which is unacceptable. NARFE Members should be making their Checks payable to NARFE Alzheimer's Research and not the Chapter for their Tax Credit. These checks are then sent to the Federation Alzheimer's Coordinator to send the Alzheimer's Association in Chicago, IL. So, please ask your Federations Coordinators/Federation Treasurer to be sure to send the Regional Alzheimer's Coordinators a copy of the ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION - NARFE PAYMENT***

DETAIL SUMMARY SHEET when they are sending their Report to the Alzheimer's Association in case there is an error later.

***I need Proof of the error, in order to make the change, so if you have the document, then send it to me and the change needs to be made before the end of the Fiscal Year which was June 30, 2025. After this date, it is considered past due and we might not be able to make the change. So, please, please make sure this is stressed to the Chapters and Federations or the change will not be made.

***Please remind your Federation Alzheimer's Coordinators/Federation Treasurers that the first line of contact when an error is discovered is the Regional Alzheimer's Coordinators and not Catherine Marquis, Alicia Dorman or the Alzheimer's Association.

REMINDERS: Please be sure to pass this information to your Federation Presidents every Month so they can pass it to their Chapter members. Also, please send the attachments with your letters, as some are not sending them and I am getting a lot of emails on the information that I have already sent out to the Regional Alzheimer's Coordinators. This information keeps the Chapters informed.

Although many Chapters are still not meeting due to the Covid-19 Pandemic and other Variants, please encourage them to continue giving for the NARFE Alzheimer's disease Research Program.

Also, please send a copy of your cover letter to your Federation Alzheimer's Coordinators and your Federation Presidents to me, President William Shackelford, Towanda Franklin, narfe@alz.org, Alicia Dorman, Melissa LaBronge and your Regional Vice President. This is the only way we know that all Regional Coordinators are sending information to your Federations and Chapters.

***Again, please remind your Chapters the importance of us purchasing the Alzheimer's Stamps, or they might get pulled from the US Postal Services. The more we purchase them, the longer they will be available.

Please continue practicing safe measures with you and your families, as COVID is still very much alive and it appears to be spreading faster again. Let us also continue to keep all our Chapter Members and everyone that has been affected by the Corona Virus in our thoughts and in our Prayers.

Also, the NARFE Alzheimer's National Committee Members and our families that are currently going through challenges due to newer versions of the Covid Pandemic and other Health Issues. ***Therefore, please get the latest COVID Vaccinations and other Vaccinations, along with encouraging your family members and friends to get theirs as well.

Thanks again for all your hard work, please be safe and best regards, Olivia Ashford Williams.

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