

## ABOUT ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE



FORTY YEARS AGO, ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE WASN'T DISCUSSED AT THE DINNER TABLE OR IN THE DOCTOR'S OFFICE, BUT A GROUP OF PEOPLE DEVASTATED BY THE DISEASE CAME TOGETHER TO CHANGE THAT. OUT OF THEIR PASSION, THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION WAS BORN AND TODAY IS THE LEADING ORGANIZATION IN ALZHEIMER'S CARE, SUPPORT AND RESEARCH. FOR THE MORE THAN FIVE MILLION AMERICANS LIVING WITH ALZHEIMER'S AND THEIR OVER FIFTEEN MILLION CAREGIVERS, THE ASSOCIATION'S FREE TWENTY-FOUR-SEVEN HELPLINE AND WEBSITE AT A-L-Z--DOT--ORG ARE OFTEN A FIRST SOURCE OF INFORMATION. FROM IN-PERSON SUPPORT GROUPS TO ONLINE MESSAGE BOARDS, THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION IS AVAILABLE WHEREVER AND WHENEVER HELP IS NEEDED. THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION IS THE NONPROFIT WITH THE HIGHEST IMPACT IN ALZHEIMER'S RESEARCH WORLDWIDE, BEHIND ONLY THE CHINESE AND UNITED STATES GOVERNMENTS. OUR INVESTMENTS OF OVER THREE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIVE MILLION DOLLARS IN STUDIES AROUND THE GLOBE HAVE UNCOVERED NEW METHODS OF DIAGNOSIS AND DEEPENED UNDERSTANDING ABOUT THE RISK FACTORS AND CAUSES OF THIS FATAL DISEASE. AS A RESULT OF THE ASSOCIATION'S VISION AND COMMITMENT, THE SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY IS NOW POISED TO DISCOVER BREAKTHROUGH METHODS OF TREATMENT AND PREVENTION. THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION HAS ACTIVATED A NATIONWIDE NETWORK OF DEDICATED ADVOCATES WHO, TOGETHER WITH THE ASSOCIATION, WORK AT ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT TO ADDRESS THE ALZHEIMER'S CRISIS. UNDER THE ASSOCIATION'S LEADERSHIP AND WITH THE SUPPORT OF CHAMPIONS IN CONGRESS, FEDERAL FUNDING FOR ALZHEIMER'S RESEARCH HAS REACHED A HISTORIC HIGH OF NINE HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE MILLION DOLLARS AND POLICIES TO ENHANCE ACCESS TO CRITICAL CARE PLANNING ARE NOW IN PLACE. NO OTHER ORGANIZATION HAS THE REACH, THE KNOWLEDGE OR THE UNDERSTANDING TO DEFEAT ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE BUT WE CAN'T DO IT ALONE. STAND WITH THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION TODAY TO BUILD A WORLD WITHOUT ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE TOMORROW. JOIN US.