Myositis Support and Understanding is an all-volunteer, patient-led, 501(c)3 nonprofit.

We have given $250k since 2017.
- We will give $100k in 2022 alone.
- We will expand outreach and partnerships to help support more families.

$250k in Myositis patient financial assistance

In just 5 years, since 2017 when we launched the program

We know living with myositis is often expensive, and affects not only physical health, but also financial health. We are here to help. Our needs-based Myositis Patient Financial Assistance Program has helped hundreds of people already, in some cases to avoid eviction, default, or other emergencies with direct impact on their health, and by providing funding for mobility devices to help gain and maintain independence.

Financial Assistance by category 2020-2021

- **HOUSEHOLD EXPENSES**: 52%
  Emergency expenses like rent/mortgage, energy bills, and other utilities.

- **MEDICAL BILLS**: 33%
  Invoiced medical bills and travel expense related to Myositis. Not a copay program.

- **MOBILITY DEVICES**: 15%
  Necessary mobility and assistive devices to help maintain independence.

"MSU provides so much support for us. I am always going to the website or attending a group event getting information I can’t find anywhere else. This financial help from you is allowing me to be more independent and much less stressed. Thanks for your quick response and ease of completing your process."

"I am just staring at this email and crying. I can’t explain how grateful me and my children are. Thank you for the entire team behind all of this for this service. I am very humbled. This really saved our life. This saved our lives. This made my day. Thank you."

"It is through the generosity, love and compassion of donors and the community that we have achieved this milestone. Our all-volunteer staff works to ensure that every dollar in donations goes to this vital financial assistance program, improving the lives of those impacted by Myositis."

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