

10 Facts About ALS

- 1. ALS MAY ALSO BE CALLED...**Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis, Sclérose latérale amyotrophique (SLA), Lou Gehrig's Disease, Motor Neuron Disease (MND), Maladie de Charcot
- 2. ALS IS A PROGRESSIVE NEUROMUSCULAR DISEASE** - Nerve cells continue to die, voluntary muscles degenerate, and become paralyzed, the senses are unimpaired and the intellect may remain unaffected
- 3. ALS CAN STRIKE ANYONE** - Male or female, any ethnic origin, at any age (some have been diagnosed as teens), and usual onset is in middle age
- 4. 90% DIE WITHIN TWO TO FIVE YEARS OF DIAGNOSIS** - Some will die within a few short months and others can live 10 years or more
- 5. SOME CASES ARE HEREDITARY** - Less than 10% are familial ALS
- 6. APPROXIMATELY 2,500 - 3,000 CANADIANS OVER 18 ARE CURRENTLY LIVING WITH ALS** - ALS is not contagious and is 100% FATAL!
- 7. EVERY DAY TWO TO THREE CANADIANS DIE OF ALS** - ALS is the most common cause of neurological death in Canada
- 8. ALS AFFECTS THE WHOLE FAMILY** - 90% of care is shouldered by family caregivers – ALS is a costly disease – emotionally, physically and financially
- 9. TEN PROVINCIAL ALS SOCIETIES PROVIDE QUALITY CARE TO THOSE AFFECTED BY ALS** - Equipment & Support Services for people living with ALS and their families, Information & Referrals, Education & Advocacy, and raise funds for research
- 10. THE ALS SOCIETY OF CANADA** - FUNDS research for a cure, SUPPORTS Provincial Societies to serve immediate needs, PROVIDES information to build awareness



Family Member \$25

Designed for friends, relatives or other individuals acting in a supporting capacity for someone with ALS.

Family members are entitled to vote.

Associate Member \$50

Designed for those representing professional, corporate or other organizational entities.

Associate members are not entitled to vote.



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Membership Form & Information



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Benefits of Membership



Join us in the fight against ALS

Classes of Membership

FAMILY MEMBER - \$25 (Voting)
Family Membership to the ALS Society of Ontario is designed for friends, relatives or other individuals acting in a supporting capacity to someone with ALS. Individuals with ALS do not pay a fee and will automatically be considered members. Membership is renewable annually.

Benefits Include:

- ALS ONTARIO NEWSLETTER
Four times per year – Keep up to date on the activities of the Society including: programs, events, research updates and much more.
- ALS ONTARIO ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
You will receive notification and an invitation to the Annual General Meeting and have a voice in determining our future direction through your **right to vote**.
- STRENGTHEN THE VOICE OF ALS
Your membership will strengthen the public voice of ALS Ontario enabling us to advocate for improved care and services for people with ALS.
- IN ADDITION ... you will receive a membership orientation package and invitations to ALS events.



ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP - \$50 (Non-Voting)

Associate Membership to the ALS Society of Ontario is designed for those representing professional, corporate or other organizational entities. Associate Members have the right to attend the Annual General Meeting but are not entitled to vote.

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I am pleased to help the ALS Society of Ontario provide equipment and support services to people with ALS.

Membership Application:

Mr Mrs Ms Other: _____

Surname: _____

First name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Prov: _____

Postal Code: _____

Home Tel #: (_____) _____

Bus. Tel #: (_____) _____

E-mail: _____

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Check one of the following options:

Family Membership \$25

Associate Membership \$50

General Donation – Amt: \$ _____

Total Amount

Payment by:

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Cheque (payable to: *ALS Society of Ontario*)

Credit Card # _____

Expiry Date: ____/____/____

Signature: _____

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