

# Parkinson's Foundation: Impact by State



In Georgia, there are an estimated **20,600 people with Parkinson's disease (PD)** who are 45 or older. The Parkinson's Foundation has invested **\$1,720,000** in **research** to better understand Parkinson's and to ensure **better care** for the Georgia PD community. As of 2018, in the last 5 years:

- **2,500 people with PD** accessed expert care annually at our **2 Centers of Excellence** (Medical College of Georgia, Augusta University | Emory University), with **236** enrolled in the *Parkinson's Outcomes Project*, the largest clinical study of PD.
- **6 researchers** received research grants for their work to better understand Parkinson's.
- **255 health professionals** were trained to provide better care, and help close the gap in PD professional training.

We are equally committed to **educating and empowering** the PD community in Georgia. In the last 5 years:

- **1,475 Aware in Care kits** prepared people for planned and emergency hospital visits.
- **6 research advocates** — people with PD and care partners — were paired with scientists to make research more effective and efficient.
- **10,950 people with PD** received free services, along with access to exercise and wellness classes through 22 local Georgia grants, totaling **\$212,000**.
- **1,500 community members** attended our wellness, support and educational programs throughout Georgia.

Offered professional help through **1,595** calls to information specialists via our Helpline, with **365** referrals to expert care.



Helped people with Parkinson's live well, distributing **31,000** free publications.



Brought **2,560** Georgians together, raising **\$888,000** through Moving Day, A Walk for Parkinson's.



*The Parkinson's Foundation makes life better for people with Parkinson's disease by improving care and advancing research toward a cure. In everything we do, we build on the energy, experience and passion of our global Parkinson's community.*

Have questions about Parkinson's? Visit [Parkinson.org](http://Parkinson.org) or call our Helpline at 1-800-4PD-INFO (473-4636).