

# Parkinson's Foundation: Impact by State



In Illinois, there are an estimated **29,700 people with Parkinson's disease (PD)** who are 45 or older. The Parkinson's Foundation has invested **\$3,212,900** in **research** to better understand Parkinson's and to ensure **better care** for the Illinois PD community. As of 2019, in the last 5 years:

- **5,575 people with PD** accessed expert care annually at our **2 Centers of Excellence** (Northwestern University Movement Disorders Center | Rush University Medical Center), with **358** enrolled in the Parkinson's Outcomes Project, the largest clinical study of PD.
- **11 researchers** received research grants for their work to better understand Parkinson's.
- **776 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 Parkinson's community in Illinois. In the last 5 years:

- **1,300 AwaránCare kits** prepared people for planned and emergency hospital visits.
- **12 research advocates**— people with PD and carepartners — were paired with scientists to make research more effective and efficient.
- **2,150 people with PD** received free services, along with access to exercise and wellness classes through 23 local Illinois grants totaling **\$311,150**.
- **people with PD** attended our wellness, support + educational programs.

Offered professional help through **3,375** calls to information specialists via our Helpline, with **865** referrals to expert care.



Helped people with Parkinson's live well, distributing **41,000** free publications.



Brought **12,150** Illinoisans together, raising **\$2.1 million** 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](https://www.parkinson.org) or call our Helpline at 1-800-4PD-INFO (473-4636).