

# Parkinson's Foundation: Impact by State



In Massachusetts, there are an estimated **17,000 people with Parkinson's disease (PD)** who are 45 or older. The Parkinson's Foundation has invested **\$1,412,400** in **research** to better understand Parkinson's and to ensure **better care** for the Massachusetts PD community. As of 2018, in the last 5 years:

- **2,595 people with PD** accessed expert care annually at our **2 Centers of Excellence** (Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center | Massachusetts General Hospital), with **340** enrolled in the *Parkinson's Outcomes Project*, the largest clinical study of PD.
- **8 researchers** received research grants for their work to better understand Parkinson's.
- **570 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 Massachusetts. In the last 5 years:

- **695 Aware in Care kits** prepared people for planned and emergency hospital visits.
- **8 research advocates** — people with PD and care partners — were paired with scientists to make research more effective and efficient.
- **520 people with PD** received free services, along with access to exercise and wellness classes through 9 local Massachusetts grants, totaling **\$76,650**.

Offered professional help through **1,635** calls to information specialists via our Helpline, with **400** referrals to expert care.



Helped people with Parkinson's live well, distributing **9,425** free publications.



Brought **2,000** participants from Massachusetts together, raising **\$61,000** 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).