



# COMMUNITY PROGRAMS & EVENTS

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The Alzheimer's Association® is proud to coordinate services in Florida through three chapters: Central and North Florida, Florida Gulf Coast, and Southeast Florida. We serve Floridians by providing education, awareness, outreach and support.

Please use this guide to explore local programming and events. For additional resources visit Community Resource Finder at [alz.org/crf](http://alz.org/crf).

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# WELCOME

The Alzheimer's Association, Florida Chapters, serves all 67 counties in our beautiful state. We offer education, outreach, and support to everyone facing Alzheimer's and other dementias within our community, including individuals living with the disease, caregivers, professionals, families, and community members. Our commitment extends to advocating for the needs and rights of those confronted with Alzheimer's disease and promoting essential research towards treatment, prevention, and ultimately, a cure.

We provide programs through various formats: virtually, by telephone, on-demand, and in person. Most of our programs are offered at no charge, with some exceptions for professional programs. Additionally, we tailor programs for specific groups such as civic organizations, chambers of commerce, companies, and more. Please reach out to your local Community Engagement Manager to arrange a private and personalized program for your group or to invite us to your local event or health fair.

## Volunteer with the Alzheimer's Association

Volunteers play a crucial role in positively impacting the lives of those facing Alzheimer's and dementia. By volunteering with the Alzheimer's Association, you become part of a dedicated network working to combat this devastating disease, honor loved ones, and provide care and support to those in need. Learn more at [volunteer.alz.org](http://volunteer.alz.org).

Explore Various Opportunities:

- Community Educator
- Support Group Facilitator
- Community Connector
- Alzheimer's Advocate
- Brand Ambassador
- Event Committees
- And more!

LEARN MORE



# Meet Our Team

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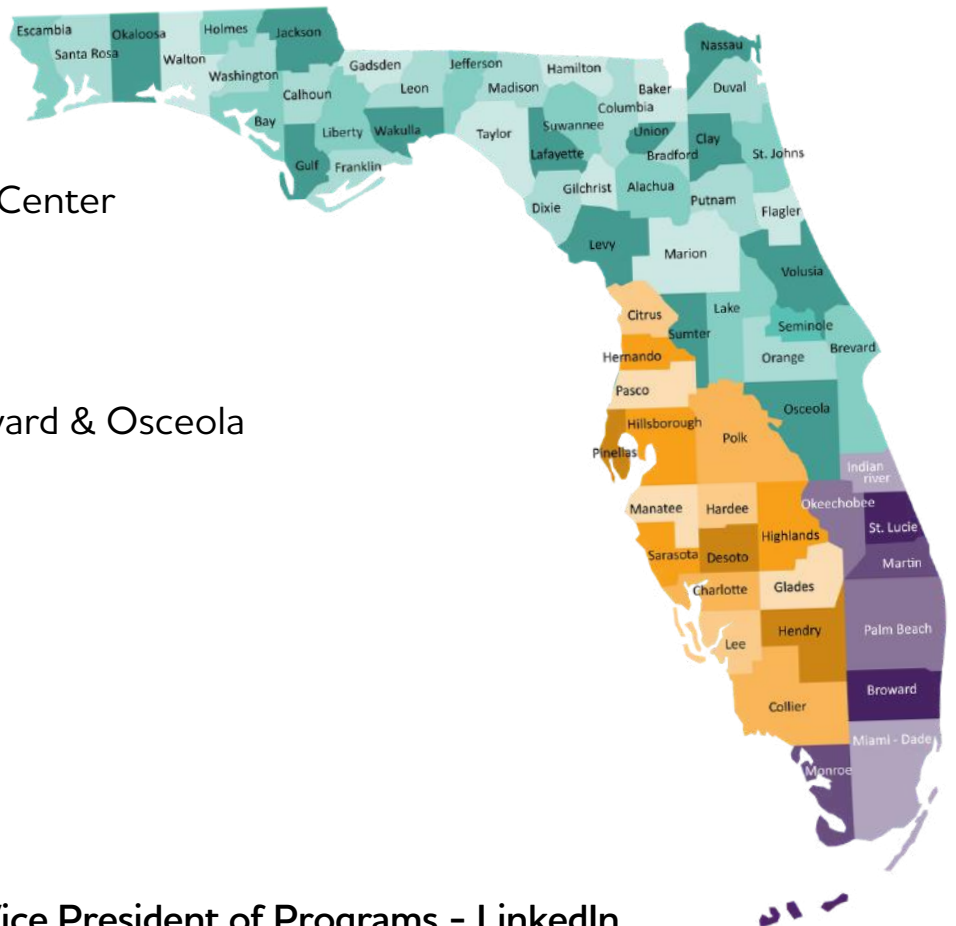
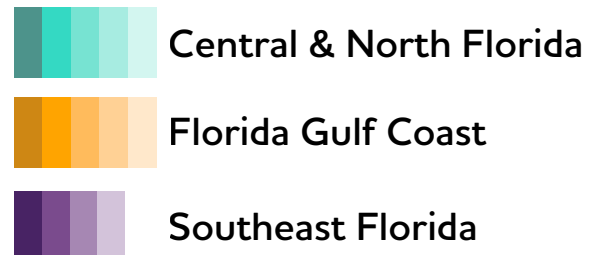
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# PROGRAMS THAT FIT YOUR LIFE

## Welcome to ALZConnected®

ALZConnected is a dedicated community where people with Alzheimer's, their caregivers, and others affected by the disease can share answers, opinions, ideas, and support. Learn more at [alzconnected.org](https://alzconnected.org)



## Care Consultations

Living with mild cognitive impairment, Alzheimer's disease, or other dementia profoundly impacts multiple generations. Each person has a unique role, spouses, siblings, children of all ages, and friends—all contributing to the care team. This journey demands careful consideration, strategic planning, and above all, a well-thought-out plan.

Care Consultations from the Alzheimer's Association can help you to:

- Navigate difficult caregiving decisions and family issues.
- Assess current needs and anticipate future care challenges.
- Develop an effective care plan and problem-solve barriers.
- Receive supportive listening in a confidential, nonjudgmental environment.

Our professional staff has the knowledge to guide you through a variety of topics. People reach out for many different reasons. Not sure what to ask or where to start? That's okay, too. Just give us a call and we'll guide you from there. The service is free and is at no cost to you.

## Consultations are available several ways:

- **Phone:** Call 800.272.3900 for 24/7 support; use 711 for TRS operator.
- **Live Chat:** Access via the green button on our website, available 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. ET, Monday to Friday. [alz.org/help-support](https://alz.org/help-support).
- **Online Form:** Fill out a [form](#) for assistance, with a response within 24 hours.

## Build an Action Plan with ALZNavigator™

Whether you're a caregiver, a person living with dementia, or someone concerned about memory loss, find the support you need with ALZNavigator. Just answer a few questions about your situation and ALZNavigator will guide you to the resources and tools you need today and throughout each step of the disease — all in one place. [alz.org/alznavigator](https://alz.org/alznavigator)



# PROGRAMS THAT FIT YOUR LIFE

May  
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**IMPACT OF ALZHEIMER'S-PUBLIC SERVICE**  
12 p.m. ET

[> LEARN MORE](#)

Jun.  
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**THE EMPOWERED CAREGIVER:  
Building Foundations of Caregiving**  
12 p.m. ET

[> LEARN MORE](#)

## Get empowered in your Alzheimer's journey

Take action with the  
My ALZ Journey app

Download on the  
App Store

GET IT ON  
Google Play



A diagnosis can feel overwhelming, but My ALZ Journey can help you navigate your diagnosis of Alzheimer's or another dementia and move forward.

Download the app today in the Apple App Store or Google Play Store to learn what to expect and how to plan ahead.

[alz.org/MyALZJourney](https://alz.org/MyALZJourney)

# PROGRAMS THAT FIT YOUR LIFE

## VIRTUAL SUPPORT GROUPS

When you're facing difficult times, having a good support network you can turn to for advice and encouragement may help you feel connected and give you a sense of belonging and purpose. Connecting with others like you virtually may help put your own experiences living with the disease in perspective, and provide you with the support and encouragement necessary to move beyond your diagnosis.

### Caregiver Support Groups

- 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 10 a.m. ET
- 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m. ET
- 2nd Wed., 12:30 p.m./11:30 a.m. ET
- 3rd Tuesday, 1:30 p.m. ET
- 3rd Tuesday, 3 p.m. ET
- 3rd Tuesday, 6 p.m. ET
- 3rd Thursday, 12:30 p.m. ET
- 4th Thursday, 1 p.m. ET
- 4th Saturday, 3:30 p.m. ET

### Caregiver Support Group in Spanish

- 1st Thursday, 12:30 p.m. ET

### Early Stage Support Group

- 1st Friday, 10 a.m. ET
- 3rd Tuesday, 1:30 p.m. ET



Call the 24/7 Helpline at 800.272.3900 for instructions on how to log into the virtual meeting.

# BRAIN HEALTH AND AWARENESS

## BRAIN HEALTH AT WORK

Brain Health At Work is a no-cost program that helps employers create brain-healthy workplaces, reduce employee risk of cognitive decline and support employees who are caregivers. The program provides education, tools and recognition for employers who create brain-healthy workplaces.



Brain Health At Work helps employers:

- Create brain-healthy workplaces
- Reduce employee risk of cognitive decline
- Support employees who are caregivers

### BRAIN HEALTH BY THE NUMBERS:



Over two-thirds of U.S. adults have at least one risk factor for cognitive decline.<sup>1</sup>

**74%**

believe that people can improve their brain health.<sup>2</sup>

**86%**

are interested in learning more about improving their brain health.<sup>2</sup>

### RISK REDUCTION FOR ALL

Evidence shows that addressing specific modifiable risk factors and promoting healthy behaviors can improve brain health.


### PROTECT HEALTHY BRAINS AT WORK

Building brain-healthy habits helps employees live better now and protects their memory and thinking for the future.

# BRAIN HEALTH AND AWARENESS

**Take charge of your brain health**

Make a plan with our free Brain Health Habit Builder.



**Brain Health Habit Builder**

**Your brain health affects how you live now and can protect your memory and thinking for the future.**

Use this tool to check your current brain-healthy habits. Then use the results to create an action plan to take charge of your brain health.

**Get Started**

**Brain Health Habit Builder**  
**ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION**

Brain Health Habit Builder is not intended to take the place of professional medical advice.



# EXPAND YOUR WELLNESS OFFERINGS THROUGH BRAIN HEALTH AT WORK™

Brain Health At Work is designed for all workplaces that want to lead the way in creating healthier workplaces where employees feel supported and know that their brain health and well-being matter.

## NO-COST, READY-TO-GO RESOURCES

Brain Health At Work offers comprehensive tips, tools and education for your human resource and wellness teams, as well as your employees. Use these tools to enhance your brain healthy communications plans.

### EMPLOYER RESOURCES

Get access to a dashboard that contains:



Communications templates and calendar



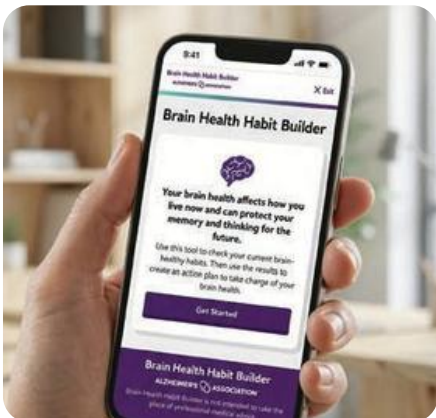
Employee survey and activities



Recognition toolkit

### EMPLOYEE RESOURCES

Share resources with your employees, such as:



Brain Health Habit Builder website



Learn the latest science



Caregiver resources



Access to education programs

## Join the Alzheimer's Association as leaders in brain health.

The Alzheimer's Association is leading the way to ensure that people in all communities have meaningful, science-backed opportunities to improve their brain health.

References: 1. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (2024). Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System: 2023 summary data quality report and documentation. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. 2. Alzheimer's Association, 2024. Poll data on U.S. adults' knowledge and behaviors related to brain health and dementia risk reduction. Conducted by Versta Research under contract with the Alzheimer's Association. Unpublished report.

Learn more at [alz.org/BrainHealthAtWork](https://alz.org/BrainHealthAtWork)

Brain Health At Work™  
ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION

# BRAIN HEALTH AND AWARENESS

## BRAIN BUS



The Brain Bus raises awareness of Alzheimer's and related dementias and addresses the benefits of early detection, early diagnosis, brain health and risk reduction. With two mobile units and virtual offerings the Brain Bus program reaches all counties throughout Florida. See each county for a full schedule of stops.



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*The Brain Bus is sponsored in part by State of Florida Department of Elder Affairs and the Area Agency on Aging For Southwest Florida.*

# PANHANDLE & GREATER TALLAHASSEE

Bay, Calhoun, Escambia, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Hamilton, Holmes, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Suwannee, Taylor, Wakulla, Walton & Washington Counties

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## PRIVATE AND PERSONALIZED PROGRAMS

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## COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH

### Escambia County

#### Brain Bus Stop at Olive Baptist Church:

Saturday, October 10, 10 a.m. CST

Olive Baptist Church, Olive Baptist Church 1836 E Olive Rd, Pensacola 32514

### Gulf County

#### Brain Bus Stop at Gulf County Senior Center

Wednesday, May 20, 10:30 a.m. CST

Gulf County Senior Center, 120 Library Drive Port St Joe 32456

#### Brain Bus Stop at Gulf County Senior Center

Wednesday, May 27, 10 a.m. CST

Gulf County Senior Center, 120 Library Drive Port St Joe 32456

#### Brain Bus Stop at Corinne Costin Gibson Memorial Public Library

Tuesday, June 16, 3 p.m. CST

Corinne Costin Gibson Library, 110 Library Dr., Port St. Joe 32456

### Hamilton County

#### Brain Bus Stop at Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park

Saturday, May 23, 9:30 a.m.

Stephen Foster Folk Center, 11016 Lillian Saunders Dr., White Springs 32096

# PANHANDLE & GREATER TALLAHASSEE

Bay, Calhoun, Escambia, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Hamilton, Holmes, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Suwannee, Taylor, Wakulla, Walton & Washington Counties

## Brain Bus Stop at Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park

Sunday, May 24, 9:30 a.m.

Stephen Foster Folk Center, 11016 Lillian Saunders Dr., White Springs 32096

## Jefferson County

### Brain Bus Stop at Monticello-Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce

Friday, June 19, 3 p.m.

Chamber of Commerce, 420 Washington St., Monticello 32344

### Brain Bus Stop at Monticello-Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce

Saturday, June 20, 3 p.m.

Chamber of Commerce, 420 Washington St., Monticello 32344

## Leon County

### Awareness Presentation

Wednesday, July 15, 8:30 a.m.

Tallahassee Senior Center, 1400 N Monroe St, Tallahassee 32303

## Suwannee County

### Awareness Presentation

Thursday, April 30, 12 p.m.

Live Oak Public Library, 1848 South Ohio Avenue Live Oak 32064

### Brain Bus Stop at Live Oak Public Library

Friday, May 15, 10 a.m.

Live Oak Public Library, 1848 South Ohio Avenue Live Oak 32064

## CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUPS

### Leon County

3rd Monday at 2 p.m.

The Grove at Canopy, 2601 Crestline Rd, Tallahassee, 32308

### Okaloosa County

1st Wednesday at 2 p.m. CST

Niceville Senior Center, 201 Campbell Drive, Niceville, 32578

2nd Wednesday at 2 p.m. CST

Crestview Senior Activity Center, 205 Stillwell Blvd., Crestview 32539



**Santa Rosa County**

3rd Wednesday at 6 p.m.

Navarre Gardens, 2640 Hwy 87 S. Navarre 32566

# GREATER GAINESVILLE, JACKSONVILLE & OCALA

Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Clay, Columbia, Dixie, Duval, Gilchrist, Levy, Marion, Nassau, Putnam, St. Johns, & Union Counties



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- Eventing

## COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH

### **Alachua County**

#### **Brain Bus Stop at UF Shand's Hospital**

Wednesday, June 10, 9 a.m.

UF Shand's Hospital, 1600 SW Archer Rd., Gainesville 32608

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Newberry Branch**

Monday, July 27 10 a.m.

Newberry Branch, 110 S Seaboard Dr, Newberry 32669

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Celebration Pointe**

Saturday, August 8, 8 a.m.

Celebration Pointe, 4870 Celebration Pointe Avenue, Gainesville 32608

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Mt. Moriah Missionary Baptist Church**

Sunday, August 9, 12 p.m.

Mt. Moriah Missionary Baptist Church, 718 SE 11th St., Gainesville 32601

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Gainesville Seventh Day Adventist Christian Church**

Sunday, October 4, 1 p.m.

Seventh Day Christian Church, 2115 NW 39th Ave in Gainesville 32605



# GREATER GAINESVILLE, JACKSONVILLE & OCALA

Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Clay, Columbia, Dixie, Duval, Gilchrist, Levy,  
Marion, Nassau, Putnam, St. Johns, & Union Counties

## Brain Bus Stop at Lubee Bat Conservatory

Saturday, October 24, 10 a.m.

Lubee Bat Conservatory, 1309 NW 192nd Ave Gainesville 32609

## Bradford County

### Health Fair

Thursday, April 30, 10 a.m.

First Presbyterian Church, 123 S. Second Street Palatka 32177

## Dixie County

### Brain Bus Stop at Suwannee River Fair Grounds

Saturday, May 2, 9 a.m.

Suwannee River Fair Grounds, 17851 90 Ave., Fanning Springs 32693

### Brain Bus Stop at Suwannee River Fair Grounds

Saturday, May 16, 9 a.m.

Suwannee River Fair Grounds, 17851 90 Ave., Fanning Springs 32693

## Duval County

### Brain Bus Stop at Jax Community Fair

Saturday, May 23, 2026

Adam W. Herbert University Center, 12000 Alumni Dr, Jacksonville 32224

### Brain Bus Stop at St Paul Missionary Church

Saturday, July 18, 10 a.m.

St Paul Missionary Church, 3738 Winton Dr., Jacksonville 32208

## Levy County

### Brain Bus Stop at Have Community Center Building

Tuesday, July 7, 10 a.m.

Have Community Center Building, 311 NE 9th Street, Chiefland 32626

## Marion County

### Health Fair

Thursday, April 23, 2 p.m.

Brookdale Chambrel Pinecastle, 1801 SE 24th Rd, Ocala, FL 34471

## **Health Fair**

Friday, April 24, 10 a.m.

Bridgewater Park, 9280 SW 81st Court Ocala 34481

## **10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's**

Friday, May 1, 11 a.m.

Stone Creek Reunion Center Ballroom, 6111 SW 89 th Court Rd., Ocala 34481

## **Nassau County**

### **Brain Bus Stop at YMCA At Wildlight**

Saturday, June 6, 10 a.m.

YMCA At Wildlight, 251 Breezeway St., Yulee 32097

### **Brain Bus Stop at Courtyard at Amelia Island**

Friday, June 12, 8 a.m.

Courtyard at Amelia Island, 2700-1 Atlantic Ave., Fernandina Beach 32034

### **Brain Bus Stop at Courtyard at Amelia Island**

Saturday, June 13, 8 a.m.

Courtyard at Amelia Island, 2700-1 Atlantic Ave., Fernandina Beach 32034

## **Putnam County**

### **Brain Bus Stop at First Presbyterian Church**

Thursday, April 30, 9 a.m.

First Presbyterian Church, 123 S. Second Street Palatka 32177

## **CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUPS**

### **Alachua County**

2nd Friday, Noon

Senior Healthcare Center at Crown Pointe, 2205 NW 40th Terr., Gainesville

### **Duval County**

2nd Wednesday, 3:30 p.m.

River Garden Hebrew Home, 11401 Old, St. Augustine Rd., Jacksonville 32258

2nd Wednesday, 6 p.m.

Palms Presbyterian Church, 3410 3rd St. South, Jacksonville Beach 32250

# GREATER GAINESVILLE, JACKSONVILLE & OCALA

Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Clay, Columbia, Dixie, Duval, Gilchrist, Levy,  
Marion, Nassau, Putnam, St. Johns, & Union Counties

2nd Thursday, 1:30 p.m.

LPL Financial, LLC, 6 S Main St., Chiefland 32626

## Marion County

3rd Monday 11 a.m..

Mary Sue Rich Community Center, 1821 NW 21st Ave., Ocala 34475

3rd Friday 2:30 p.m.

Ocala VA Clinic, 4826 SW 49th Rd., Ocala 34474

## St. Johns County

2nd & 4th Thursdays, 10 a.m.

Homeport Christian Church, 5605 US 1 South, St. Augustine 32086





# GREATER ORLANDO, FLAGLER & VOLUSIA

Flagler, Orange, Seminole & Volusia Counties



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- The Florida Hotel
- Stetson University

## COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH

### **Flagler County**

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church**

Saturday, May 30, 9 a.m.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, 4600 Belle Terre Pkwy., Palm Coast 32164

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Flagler Farmers Market**

Saturday, June 27, 9 a.m.

Flagler Farmers Market, South 2nd Street &, S Central Ave., Flagler Beach 32136

### **Volusia County**

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Volusia Memorial Funeral Home Port Orange**

Friday, April 24, 10 a.m.

Memorial Funeral Home, 4815 Clyde Morris Blvd, Port Orange 32129

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Brannon Center**

Sunday, May 3, 11 a.m.

Brannon Center, 105 S. Riverside Drive, New Smyrna Beach 32168



## **Brain Bus Stop at Port Orange Regional Library Community Health Fair**

Tuesday, October 6, 10:30 a.m.

Port Orange Regional Library, 1005 City Center Cir, Port Orange FL 32129

## **CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUPS**

### **Flagler County**

2nd Monday, 11 a.m.

Market Street Assisted Living, 2 Corporate Drive, Palm Coast 32137

2nd and 4th Monday, 3:30 p.m.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, 4600 Belle Terre Pkwy., Palm Coast

### **Orange County**

1st Monday, 7 p.m.

Forest Lake Seventh Day Adventist Church, 515 Harley Lester Ln. 32703

1st Wednesday, 6 p.m.,

Neurology One, 92 N. Dean Rd., Suite 100, Orlando 32825

\*Bilingual/Spanish Caregiver Support Group

2nd Monday, 4 p.m.

One Senior Place- Greater Orlando, 715 Douglas Ave., Altamonte Springs 32714

1st Thursday, 6 p.m.

Spring Hills Lake Mary, 3655 W Lake Mary Blvd., Lake Mary 32746

3rd Thursday, 3 p.m.

The Mayflower, 1850 Mayflower Ct., Winter Park 32792

### **Volusia County**

1st Tuesday, 12 p.m.

Brookdale Deland, 1210 N. Stone St., Deland 32720

1st Friday, 10:30 a.m.

Port Orange Presbyterian Church, 4662 S. Clyde Morris Blvd., Port Orange



3rd Tuesday at 10:30 a.m.

Aberdeen, 50 Allwood Green Blvd., Ormond Beach 32174

3rd Wednesday, 6 p.m.

The Blake @ LPGA, 1635 N Williamson Blvd., Daytona Beach 32117

3rd Thursday, 10:30 a.m.

Arya at Debary, 838 Signature Dr., Debary 32713



# GREATER POLK & THE VILLAGES

Hardee, Highlands, Lake, Polk & Sumter Counties



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- Harbor Hills County Club

## COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH

### Hardee County

**Brain Bus Stop at Hardee County Civic Center**

Saturday, August 1, 1 p.m.

Hardee County Civic Center, 515 Civic Center Dr., Wauchula 33873

### Highlands County

**Brain Bus Stop at Sun-N-Lakes**

Friday, May 8, 10 a.m.

Sun-n-Lakes, 3500 Edgewater Dr., Sebring 33872

**Awareness Presentation**

Monday, May 18, 2 p.m.

Sebring Village, 4343 Schumacher Rd., Sebring 33872

### Polk County

**Brain Bus Stop at Polk County Sheriff's Office**

Friday, May 8, 7 a.m.

PCSO Sheriff Operation Center, 1891 Jim Keene Blvd., Winter Haven 33880



# GREATER POLK & THE VILLAGES

Hardee, Highlands, Lake, Polk & Sumter Counties

## Brain Bus Stop at First Presbyterian Church

Tuesday, May 12, 8 a.m.

First Presbyterian Church, 175 Lake Hollingsworth Dr., Lakeland 33801

## Brain Bus Stop at Rose Dynasty

Friday, May 15, 6 p.m.

Rose Dynasty, 1253 W Memorial Blvd, Lakeland 33815

## Impact of Alzheimer's in the Community

Friday, May 22, 10 a.m.

Neighborhood Service Center, 608 Ave S NE, Winter Haven 33881

## Brain Bus Stop at RP Funding

Saturday, May 30, 10 a.m.

RP Funding, 701 W. Lime St., Lakeland 33815

## Impact of Alzheimer's in the Community

Monday, June 1, 10:30 a.m.

Winter Haven Senior Center, 250 S Lake Silver Dr., Winter Haven 33881

## Brain Bus Stop at Munn Park

Saturday, June 20, 9 a.m.

Munn Park, 201 E Main St. Lakeland 33801

## Brain Bus Stop at RidgePoint Church

Saturday, August 1, 10 a.m.

RidgePoint Church, 100 Hartfield Rd., Winter Haven 33880

## Brain Bus Stop at Frostproof Rainbow RV Park

Wednesday, February 3, 10 a.m.

Frostproof Rainbow RV Park 700 County Rd 630A, Frostproof, FL 33843

## MCI/EARLY STAGE/YOUNG ONSET SUPPORT GROUPS

Registration required, please call 800.272.3900.

### Sumter County

1st Friday, 10 a.m.

Charter Research, The Villages 32162. \*First Steps, in-person or virtual



## CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUPS

### Lake County

3rd Wednesday, 1:30 p.m.

Waterman Village, 445 Waterman Ave., Mt. Dora 32757

### Polk County

1st Thursday, 11 a.m.

Methodist Temple, 2700 South Florida Ave., Lakeland 33803

2nd Tuesday, 12 p.m.

Hawthorne Inn, 6150 Lakeland Highlands Rd., Lakeland 33813

\*lunch provided

3rd Monday, 11 a.m.

Schalar Creek Clubhouse Garden Room, 4500 US-92, Lakeland 33801

3rd Tuesday, 1:30 p.m.

3601 Cypress Gardens Rd., Winter Haven 33884

4th Thursday, 9:30 a.m.

Solivita Baltic Room, 395 Village Dr., Kissimmee 34759



# CITRUS & HERNANDO COUNTIES



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## COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH

### **Hernando County**

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Blueberry Festival in Florida Classic Park**

Friday, May 8, 5 p.m.

Florida Classic Park, 5360 Lockhart Road, Brooksville 34602

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Blueberry Festival in Florida Classic Park**

Saturday, May 9, 9 a.m.

Florida Classic Park, 5360 Lockhart Road, Brooksville 34602

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Blueberry Festival in Florida Classic Park**

Sunday, May 10, 9 a.m.

Florida Classic Park, 5360 Lockhart Road, Brooksville 34602



# GREATER TAMPA BAY

Hillsborough, Pinellas & Pasco Counties



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- Eventing

## **COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH**

### **Pinellas County**

**Brain Bus Stop at Sunset Palms 55+ Community**

Thursday, November 19, 9 a.m.

Sunset Palms 55+ Community, 3401 Gandy Blvd., Pinellas Park 33781

## **MCI/EARLY STAGE/YOUNG ONSET SUPPORT GROUPS**

Registration required, please call 800.272.3900.

### **Hillsborough County**

4th Friday 11 a.m.

National Louis University, 6550 W Hillsborough Ave., Tampa 33634

## **CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUPS**

### **Hillsborough County**

1st Tuesday 6:30 p.m.

Bayshore Presbyterian Church, 2515 Bayshore Blvd, Com. Room, Tampa 33629

2nd Tuesday, 12 p.m.

Hyde Park Methodist, 500 W. Platt Street, Tampa 33606. RSVP required.

(Hybrid, in-person and virtual via Zoom)



# GREATER TAMPA BAY

## Hillsborough, Pinellas & Pasco Counties

3rd Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. & 4th Wednesday at 2 p.m.  
Ambiance of Brandon, 1320 Oakfield Drive, Brandon 33511. RSVP required.  
(Hybrid, in-person and virtual via Zoom)

3rd Wednesday, 12 p.m.  
St. James United Methodist, 16202 Bruce B. Downs Blvd., Tampa 33647

1st Thursday, 3 p.m.  
Phyllis Busansky Adult Day Center, 4102 West Spruce Street, Tampa 33607

1st Thursday, 6 p.m.  
Arden Courts of Largo, 300 Highland Ave., Largo 33770

2nd Thursday, 3 p.m.  
Plant City Adult Day Center, 1205 S. Waller Street, Plant City 33566

3rd Thursday at 3 p.m.  
Wimauma Adult Day Center, 16621 Lagoon Shore Blvd., Wimauma 33598  
\*Respite available

4th Monday 1 p.m.  
St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, 1239 W Del Webb Blvd, Rm 2, Sun City Center

4th Thursday at 2 p.m.  
Bloomingdale Adult Day Center, 3940 Canoga Park Dr., Brandon, FL 33511

4th Friday, at 10 a.m.  
National Louis University, 6550 W Hillsborough Ave., Tampa 33634

### **Pasco County**

1st Thursday, 10 a.m.  
Land O' Lakes Public Library, 2818 Collier Pkwy., Land O' Lakes 34639

2nd Tuesday, 6 p.m.  
Regency Park Library, 9701 Little Rd., New Port Richey, 34654

2nd Thursday, 1 p.m.  
New Port Richey Public Library, 5939 Main St, New Port Richey, FL 34652

2nd Wednesday, 3 p.m.

Compass Rose of Zephyrhills, 37411 Eiland Blvd., Zephyrhills 33542

3rd Wednesday, 6 p.m.

Land O' Lakes United Methodist Church, 6209 Land O'Lakes Blvd., Land O' Lakes

### **Pinellas County**

Every Monday, 9:30 a.m.

Unity of Palm Harbor, 1960 Tampa Road, Palm Harbor 34683

1st Thursday, 6 p.m.

Arden Courts of Largo, 300 Highland Ave., Largo 33770

1st and 3rd Monday, 1 p.m.

Madonna Ptak Memory Disorders Clinic, 430 Morton Plant St., Ste. 401, Clearwater

Every Wednesday, 10 a.m.

Hale Activity Ctr. Dunedin, 330 Douglas Avenue, Dunedin 34698

1st, 2nd, & 3rd Thursday, 2 p.m.

St. Anthony's Memory Disorders Center, Professional Office Building  
1201 5th Avenue, N., Suite 309, St. Petersburg 33705

2nd Tuesday, 9:30 a.m.

Largo Public Library, 120 Central Park Drive, Largo 33771

2nd Tuesday, 10 a.m.

Arden Courts of Palm Harbor, 2895 Tampa Road, Palm Harbor 34684

2nd Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.

The Karol Hotel Crown Boardroom, 2675 Ulmerton Rd. Clearwater 33762

2nd Wednesday, 12:15 p.m.

East Lake Public Library, 4125 E. Lake Road S., Palm Harbor 34685

3rd Wednesday, 6 p.m.

TLC Adult Day Care & Recreation Center, 3970 Tampa Rd., Unit J., Oldsmar



# GREATER TAMPA BAY

Hillsborough, Pinellas & Pasco Counties

4th Thursday 10 a.m.

Craft Kafe Downtown 200 Central Avenue, St. Petersburg 33701

4th Thursday 10 a.m.

The Plaza at The Palms of Largo, 385 Alt Keene Rd, Largo 33771



# GREATER SARASOTA & SUN CITY CENTER

Desoto, Manatee & Sarasota Counties



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## **COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH**

### **Caregiver Support Groups**

#### **DeSoto County**

2nd Thursday, 12 p.m.

Senior Friendship Center, 917 N Arcadia Ave., Arcadia 34266

#### **Manatee County**

1st & 3rd Wednesday, 10 a.m.

Emmanuel Baptist Church, 8305 US-301, Parrish 34219

1st Thursday at 10 a.m.

Westminster Bradenton at The Manor, 1700 21st Avenue West, Bradenton

2nd Tuesday at 6 p.m.

Bradenton Research Center, 3924 9th Ave W., Bradenton 34205

4th Wednesday 10 a.m.

Key Clinical Research, 6060 26th Street West, Bradenton 34207

2nd & 4th Thursday, 10 a.m.

Elan Manatee, 7375 Stone River Road, Bradenton 34203



## **Sarasota County**

Every Monday at 10 a.m.

Church of Palms, 3224 Bee Ridge Rd., Sarasota 34239

1st Tuesday, 11:30 a.m.

Frances T. Bourne Jacaranda Library, 4143 Woodmere Park Blvd, Venice 34293

3rd Wednesday, 10 a.m.

San Pedro Catholic Church, 14380 Tamiami Trail, North Port 34287

Every Thursday at 4 p.m.

Church of Palms, 3224 Bee Ridge Rd., Sarasota 34239



# SOUTHWEST FLORIDA

Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry, Lee & Monroe Counties



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- Hilton Naples
- Clewiston Country Club
- Pelican Preserve

## COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH

### Charlotte County

**Brain Bus Stop at YMCA Port Charlotte**

Wednesday, May 20, 10 a.m.

YMCA Port Charlotte, 19333 Quesada Ave., Port Charlotte 33948

### Collier County

**Health Fair**

Monday, April 27, 10 a.m.

Baker Senior Center, 6200 Autumn Oaks Lane, Naples 34119

**Brain Bus Stop at Seminole Hotel & Casino Immokalee**

Thursday, May 21, 10 a.m.

Seminole Hotel & Casino Immokalee, 506 1st, Immokalee 34142

### Glades County

**Brain Bus Stop at Moore Haven**

Wednesday, June 24, 9:30 a.m.

Moore Haven, 301 10th St., Moore Haven 33471



# SOUTHWEST FLORIDA

Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry, Lee & Monroe Counties

## Brain Bus Stop at V A Health Care Center

Thursday, June 4, 9 a.m.

VA Health Care Center, 2489 Diplomat Pkwy E., Cape Coral 33909

## Lee County

### Health Fair

Saturday, May 16, 12 p.m.

Aviata at Santa Barbara, 216 Santa Barbara Blvd, Cape Coral 33991

## CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUPS

### Charlotte County

1st Tuesday, 5:15 p.m.

Hatchery, 42881 Lake Babcock Drive, Suite 200 Babcock Ranch 33908

2nd Monday, 5:15 p.m.

ActivAge at Chelsea Place, 3626 Tamiami Trl., Port Charlotte 33952

2nd Tuesday, 4 p.m.

Punta Gorda Isles Civic Association, 2001 Shreve St., Punta Gorda 33950

### Lee County

1st Tuesday at 10 a.m.

Cypress Cove, 10200 Cypress Cove Drive, Fort Myers 33908

2nd Wednesday at 1 p.m. and 4th Friday at 10 a.m.

Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, 2951 Trail Dairy Cir., North Fort Myers

2nd Thursday at 10 a.m.

The Terraces at Bonita Springs, 26455 S. Tamiami Trail, Bonita Springs 34134

3rd Tuesday at 10 a.m.

Gulf Coast Village 1333 Santa Barbara Blvd., 4th Floor Craft Room, Cape Coral

3rd Thursday at 10 a.m.

Lee Healthy Life Center, Coconut Point, 23450 Via Coconut Point, Estero 33928





# GREATER TREASURE COAST, BREVARD & OSCEOLA

Brevard, Indian River, Martin, Okeechobee, Osceola & St. Lucie Counties



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- Eventing

## **COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH**

### **Brevard County**

#### **Health Fair**

Friday, April 24, 10 a.m.

Viera Regional Community Center, 2300 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Melbourne

### **Indian River**

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Indian River County Fairgrounds and Expo Center**

Thursday, April 23, 9:30 a.m.

Indian River County Fairgrounds and Expo, 7955 58th Ave., Vero Beach 32967

### **Martin County**

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Blake Library**

Friday, May 1, 10 a.m.

Blake Library, 2351 SE Monterey Rd., Stuart 34996

### **Osceola County**

#### **Awareness Presentation**

Monday, June 8, 8:30 a.m.

AARP-North Village Pavilion, 215A Celebration BLVD, Celebration 34747



### **Brain Bus Stop First Church of Nazarene**

Sunday, June 28, 2:30 p.m.

First Church of Nazarene, 1550 Mill Slough Rd., Kissimmee 34744

### **St. Lucie County**

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Clover Park**

Saturday, April 25, 9 a.m.

Clover Park, 31 NW Stadium Dr., Port St. Lucie 34986

#### **Health Fair**

Saturday, April 25, 10:30 a.m.

River of Life Fellowship Church, 3950 Juanita Avenue, Ft. Pierce 34946

#### **Brain Bus Stop at United Against Poverty, Inc.**

Saturday, May 9, 9 a.m.

United Against Poverty, Inc., 2520 Orange Avenue, Fort Pierce 34947

#### **Brain Bus Stop at Friendship Missionary Baptist Church**

Friday, October 2, 10 a.m.

Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, 1306 Avenue E., Fort Pierce 34950

## **CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUPS**

### **Brevard County**

2nd and 4th Tuesday, 10:30 a.m.

Rockledge Presbyterian Church, 921 Rockledge Dr., Rockledge 32955

### **St. Lucie County**

2nd & 4th Tuesday at 10:30 a.m.

Harbor Place, 3700 SE Jennings Road, Port St. Lucie, 34952

2nd Thursday, 10 a.m.

Golden Ponds Home Community, 1800 Golden Ponds Dr., Fort Pierce 34945







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- Prime Expos
- Kravis Center
- Harbour's Edge

## COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH

### Awareness Presentation

Thursday, April 23, 5 p.m.

Bella Mar Royal Palm Beach, 11911 Southern Blvd, Royal Palm Beach 33411

### Brain Bus Stop at Hilton Palm Beach Airport

Thursday, May 14, 10:30 a.m.

Hilton Palm Beach Airport, 150 Australian Ave., West Palm Beach 33406

### Brain Bus Stop at Faith Based Health Educators

Saturday, June 6, 10 a.m.

Faith Based Health Educators, 560 East Main Place Pahokee 33476

### Brain Bus Stop at Boca Raton Marriott

Sunday, October 25, 8:30 a.m.

Boca Raton Marriott, 5150 Town Center Cir, Boca Raton 33486

# PALM BEACH COUNTY

## MCI / EARLY STAGE / YOUNG ONSET SUPPORT GROUPS

Registration required, please call 800.272.3900.

2nd Wednesday, 2 p.m.

Brain Matters Research, Delray Beach 33445

1st Thursday, 1:30 p.m.

Palm Beach Neurology & Premiere Research Institute, West Palm Beach 33407

2nd Wednesday, 4 p.m.

JEM Research Institute, Lake Worth 33462

## CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUPS

2nd Tuesday, 10:30 a.m.

Wellington Bay, 2590 Wellington Bay Dr., Wellington 33414

2nd Wednesday, 1 p.m.

Mae Volen Center 1515 W. Palmetto Park Rd., Boca Raton 33486

2nd Thursday, 1:30 p.m.

Palm Beach Premiere Research, 4631 N. Congress Ave., West Palm Beach

3rd Tuesday, 11 a.m.

YMCA, 9600 South Military Trail, Boynton Beach 33436

4th Tuesday, 11 a.m.

Brain Matters Research, 800 NW 17th Ave., Delray Beach 33445

4th Tuesday, 4:15 p.m.

JEM Research Institute, 142 John F Kennedy Dr., Lake Worth 33462

4th Wednesday, 1 p.m.

Mae Volen Center, 1515 W Palmetto Park Rd., Boca Raton 33486

4th Thursday, 6 p.m.

New Day Adult Day Care, 301 Ebbtide Dr., Suite H, N., Palm Beach 33408







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- Prime Expos
- Holy Sacrament Church
- Hard Rock Corporate Office
- I & B Medical Associates
- Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Hollywood
- Seminole Casino Coconut Creek

## COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH

**Brain Bus Stop at Hillsboro Cove Club House**

Thursday, May 21, 2 p.m.

Hillsboro Cove Club House, 1365 E. Hillsboro Blvd., Deerfield Beach 33441

**Brain Bus Stop at African-American Research Library and Cultural Center**

Tuesday, June 23, 10:30 a.m.

Research Library and Cultural Center, 2650 Sistrunk Blvd, Fort Lauderdale 33311

## CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

1st and 3rd Saturday, 10 a.m.

John Knox Village, 651 SW 6th St., Pompano Beach, FL 33060

2nd Tuesday, 5:30 p.m.

The Meridian Waterways, 3001 E. Oakland Park Blvd., Ft. Lauderdale 33306



3rd Wednesday, 2 p.m.

Northwest Regional Library, 3151 University Dr., Rm 214, Coral Springs 33065

3rd Wednesday, 6 p.m.

Covenant Living of Florida, 9215 W. Broward Blvd., Fort Lauderdale 33306



# MIAMI-DADE COUNTY



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- Doubletree Miami Airport

## **COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH**

### **Brain Bus Stop at Milander Center of the Arts and Entertainment**

Thursday, April 30, 10 a.m.

Milander Center of the Arts and Entertainment, 4800 Palm Ave., Hialeah 33012

### **Brain Bus Stop at North Dade Regional Library**

Saturday, May 30, 2 p.m.

North Dade Regional Library, 2455 NW 183 St., Miami Gardens 33056

### **Brain Bus Stop at New Birth Baptist Church**

Sunday, May 31, 9:30 a.m.

New Life Missionary Baptist Church, 1365 NW 54th St., Miami 33142

### **Brain Bus Stop at Westchester Regional Library**

Wednesday, June 10, 10 a.m.

Westchester Regional Library, 9445 Coral Way, Miami 33165

### **Brain Bus Stop at Senior Planet**

Friday, June 12, 10 a.m.

Senior Planet, 317 NW 28th St., Wynwood 33127



### **Brain Bus Stop at UF IFAS**

Saturday, June 13, 9 a.m.

UF IFAS, 18710 SW 288th St., Homestead 33030

### **Brain Bus Stop at GFWC Miami Springs Woman's Club**

Saturday, January 9, 10 a.m.

GFWC Miami Springs Club, 200 Westward Dr., Miami Springs 33166

## **CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUPS**

### **Miami-Dade County**

2nd Monday, 6 p.m., In-Spanish

Coral Gables Branch Library, 3443 Segovia Street, Coral Gables 33134

2nd Thursday, 12:30 p.m.

Northeast Dade, Aventura Library, 2930 Aventura Blvd., Aventura 33180

2nd Friday, 12:30 p.m.

Pinecrest Community Center, 5855 Killian Dr., Pinecrest 33156

3rd Tuesday 7 p.m.

The Palace Suites:, 11377 SW 84th St., Miami 33173

4th Thursday, 12:30 p.m.

Coral Gables Adult Activity Center, 2 Andalusia Ave., Coral Gables 33134



# VOLUNTEER

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# Alzheimer's Association

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

- Community connector
- Community educator
- Support group facilitator
- Event committee member
- Advocate
- Brand ambassador
- Data entry volunteer

For more information email [alzflnews@alz.org](mailto:alzflnews@alz.org) or reach out to your local community engagement manager.



# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



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## DID YOU KNOW

Although African Americans and Hispanics are more likely than Whites to have Alzheimer's or another dementia, studies show that they are less likely to have a diagnosis. And delays in diagnosis mean that certain groups are not getting treatments when they are most likely to be effective at improving quality of life. For more information, please see the Association's Alzheimer's Disease Facts and Figures special report on [Race, Ethnicity and Alzheimer's in America](#) (PDF).

## Resources

- [Veterans and Dementia](#)
- [Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and Alzheimer's](#)
- [Black Americans and Alzheimer's](#)
- [Hispanic Americans and Alzheimer's](#)
- [LGBTQ+ Community Resources for Dementia](#)
- [Native Americans and Alzheimer's](#)



## THE INTERSECTION OF IDD AND ALZHEIMER'S



### DID YOU KNOW

Individuals with Down syndrome have a higher than **90%** lifetime risk of developing Alzheimer's disease.

### Resources

- [Down Syndrome and Alzheimer's](#)
- [NDSS Aging and Down Syndrome Guidebook](#)
- [NDSS Alzheimer's and Down Syndrome: A Practical Guidebook for Caregivers](#)
- [NTG Early Detection Screen for Dementia](#)



# FOR PROFESSIONALS

## CARE PROVIDERS

### The Alzheimer's and Dementia Care ECHO® Program for Professional Care Providers

The Alzheimer's and Dementia Care ECHO Program connects multidisciplinary dementia care experts with professional care providers in a free continuing education series of interactive, case-based video conferencing sessions.

Project ECHO aims to improve health outcomes through a team-based approach while reducing geographic barriers and the cost of care. This dementia care training series from the Alzheimer's Association is one of the first in the country focused on improving access to quality dementia care in the long-term setting. [Learn more.](#)

#### See the impact of Project ECHO

The 2025 Annual Report shows our efforts to empower professionals to deliver high-quality dementia care in their communities.

- [Download the PDF](#)

## ALZHEIMER'S AND PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION IN FLORIDA



Alzheimer's disease is a growing public health crisis in Florida, and the impact of Alzheimer's is projected to rise. A comprehensive public health approach is essential to improve community health, support the well-being of those living with cognitive decline and their families, and reduce the risk of dementia throughout communities. The most recent data show:

- 580,000 people aged 65 and older are living with Alzheimer's in Florida.
- 18.6% of people aged 45 and older have subjective cognitive decline in Florida.
- 870,000 family caregivers provide essential support to people living with dementia in Florida.
- 1.3 billion hours of unpaid care are provided by dementia caregivers in Florida.
- \$28.4 billion is the value of unpaid care provided in Florida.
- \$3.7 billion is the cost of Alzheimer's to the state Medicaid program.

[Learn more.](#)

## Empowering Professionals in the Fight Against Dementia

### What is ALZPro?

ALZPro is the Alzheimer's Association's hub for professional resources. It unites care resources, research, data platforms, clinical guidelines, continuing education and implementation tools — all on one trusted platform. ALZPro empowers professionals to reduce risk, advance early detection, improve care and expand equitable access.

### The ALZPro Advantage

ALZPro equips you with essential tools to deliver equitable, evidence-informed, person-centered care.

#### ALZPro provides:

- **Instant access to streamlined tools, resources, research**  
and training
- **Timely, relevant scientific findings and clinical insights,**  
tailored for busy professionals  
Practical resources that directly support your work and the people you serve  
The opportunity to connect and collaborate with peers and leading experts
- **Opportunities for continuing education credits, online**  
training and certifications

Join the professionals shaping the future of dementia care at [alz.org/ALZPro](https://alz.org/ALZPro).

# FOR RESEARCHERS

## RESEARCH

### Scientific Conferences

The Alzheimer's Association offers year-round opportunities for the scientific community to network and learn about Alzheimer's and dementia research. Events include the Alzheimer's Association International Conference® (AAIC®) — the world's largest meeting dedicated to advancing dementia science — and a variety of in-person and virtual conferences, symposia and other events. [Learn more.](#)

### Welcome to the ISTAART Community

ISTAART is a global network of scientists and clinicians focused on advancing Alzheimer's research and treatment. Members collaborate to share knowledge and breakthroughs. Joining ISTAART allows you to connect with peers, explore networking opportunities, and stay updated on scientific advancements. [Learn more.](#)

### Grant Programs

The Alzheimer's Association International Research Grant Program (IRGP) funds investigations to advance our understanding of Alzheimer's disease, identify new treatment strategies, improve care for people with dementia and further our knowledge of brain health and disease prevention. [Learn more.](#)



# ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION® FLORIDA CHAPTERS: YOUR IMPACT IN 2025

## LEADING THE FIGHT AGAINST ALZHEIMER'S AND ALL OTHER DEMENTIA

### ENGAGE INDIVIDUALS AND COMMUNITIES.

- Reached nearly 80,000 Floridians through education, care and support, awareness and the 24/7 Helpline.
- Provided education and support to more than 20,000 Floridians in all 67 counties through the Alzheimer's Association Brain Bus and mobile brain health outreach.



### ACCELERATE RESEARCH, TRANSLATION AND IMPLEMENTATION.

- Awarded \$7.8 million in active research funding at Florida institutions
- Selected 58 individuals from FL institutions to serve as grant reviewers
- Engaged with 400+ scientists, clinicians and dementia professionals across Florida through the ISTAART program



## 4 STRATEGIC LEVERS OF CHANGE

### ENABLE COMMUNITIES AND SYSTEMS TO DELIVER QUALITY AND EQUITABLE CARE.

- Florida advocates rallied for critical federal and state legislation:
  - Supported \$10 million in additional state funding to reduce respite care wait times and other caregiver services
  - Lobbied in support of new legislation in Congress, including the Alzheimer's Screening and Prevention (ASAP) Act, Credit for Caring Act and the Accelerating Access to Dementia & Alzheimer's Provider Training (AADAPT) Act



### FOSTER COLLABORATION AND UNDERSTANDING.

- Engaged more than 2,400 volunteers across the state to educate and build awareness to reduce stigma, focus on brain health and advocate for individual and community needs
- Partnered with the Florida Department of Elder Affairs to reach nearly 69,000 Floridians through awareness education



### ONLY POSSIBLE THROUGH YOUR DONATIONS

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So select an activity, pick a date and fundraise for a future without Alzheimer's.

Visit [alz.org/dowhatyoulove](https://alz.org/dowhatyoulove) to get started.

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ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION



# Florida Galas



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# We Need Your Voice

## BECOME AN ADVOCATE TODAY!



Because of advocates, we've passed critical legislation and increased federal research funding. Our work isn't done.

We'll train you to advocate. Whatever your experience and availability, we're eager to have you on our advocacy team!

- Meet with elected officials.
- Share your story.
- Spark conversation on social media.
- Engage the media.
- Widen our reach.
- Build relationships with officials and staff.

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## Weekly E-News

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