

2026 Recipients

Parkinson's Foundation community grants further the health, wellness and education of people with Parkinson's disease (PD) across the nation. In July 2026, the Foundation distributed more than \$1 million throughout 96 community-based grants that support local health, wellness and educational programs that address unmet needs across local PD communities.

* - Indicates a former Community Grantee that will continue their programming through the end of the year

** - Indicates a center that is part of the Parkinson's Foundation Global Care Network that will receive a 2026 Community Grant

Alabama

Access to PWR!Moves in Central Alabama, Young Men's Christian Association of Greater Birmingham, Birmingham, AL

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Every Move Matters: Interdisciplinary Group Exercise for People with Parkinson's Disease, Huntsville Hospital Foundation, Inc., Huntsville, AL

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Arkansas

Amplifying mental health of people impacted by Parkinson's through Art, Movement, Partnership & Education: AMPeD, Arkansas Colleges of Health Education, Fort Smith, AR

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St. Bernards In Their Corner Program, St. Bernards Development Foundation, Jonesboro, AR

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Arizona

Telehealth Music Therapy Program for People with Parkinson's Disease and Their Care Partners, Tremble Clefs Arizona, Tempe, AZ

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A Community of Intent: Expanding Communication Wellness for Parkinson's Disease, Arizona State University Foundation for A New American University, Tempe, AZ

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Parkinson Mentors Arizona, Parkinson Mentors Arizona, Phoenix, AZ

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Ballet Arizona's FY27 DANCE FOR PARKINSON'S DISEASE PROGRAM: Free Adaptive Education & Exercise for Adults with Parkinson's, Ballet Arizona, Phoenix, AZ

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California

Storyectomy: Parkinson's, Crow Comedy Inc., Santa Monica, CA

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Geri-Fit® Strength & Mobility Exercise Program for Individuals Living with Parkinson's Disease, A New Beginning To Wellness LLC, Dublin, CA

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ODC's Parkinson's Dance Community 2026-2027, ODC, San Francisco, CA

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Samuel Merritt University Parkinson's Community Movement Program, Samuel Merritt University, Oakland, CA

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Parkinson's Support and Community Program, ONEgeneration, Van Nuys, CA

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Reaching Spanish and Korean Speaking Care Partners, Parkinson's Community Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA

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My Brain, My Care: A Collaborative HUB for Latino Parkinson's Families, Give for a Smile, Garden Grove, CA

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Parkinson's Resource Organization (PRO) Support Groups for People Living with Parkinson's and their Caregivers, Parkinson's Resource Organization, Indian Wells, CA

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San Francisco Ballet's Dance Class for People with Parkinson's, San Francisco Ballet's Dance Class for People with Parkinson's, San Francisco, CA

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*Inclusive Rock Steady Boxing for Lower Levels, St. Joseph Health Northern California LLC dba St. Joseph Hospital Eureka, Eureka, CA

Contact: Jim Peaker, jim.peaker@stjoe.org, providence.org/st-joseph-hospital-eureka

Dance for Joy: Dancing, Singing, and Acting Classes for People with Parkinson's Disease, Lineage Dance Company, Pasadena, CA

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Free Dance for Parkinson's program at Motion Pacific, Motion Pacific Dance, Inc, Santa Cruz, CA

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Parkinson's Wellness Program 2.0 (aka Parkinson's Empowerment Program), St. Jude Hospital, Brea, CA

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Colorado

Dance for Parkinson's/In-Motion, Third Law Dance/Theater, Boulder, CO

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OT-PD Connection Creators: Building Connection Through Shared Activities, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO

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Connecticut

The Care Partner Kitchen: Culinary Medicine for Parkinson Disease Care Partners, Yale University, New Haven, CT

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District of Columbia

Tango Mercurio's Adapted Tango Program, Tango Mercurio Inc, Washington, DC

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Florida

Connecting Hands and Hope: FITE For Your Write Community Program for Parkinson's, FITE For Your Write, Palmetto, FL

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B.E.A.M. for Parkinson's (Balance, Exercise, Arts, and Movement), Mind, Music and Movement Foundation for Neurological Disorders, Jupiter, FL

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*HOPE (Helping Overcome Parkinson's Early-Onset) Project, In this Corner, Inc., Edgewater, FL

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PunchWorX, Rock Steady Boxing Program, PunchWorx, Inc, Lakeland, FL

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Lee Health - Parkinson's Disease Program, Lee Memorial Health System Foundation, Fort Myers, FL
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Georgia

**Community-based rhythm- and dance-based gait retraining for Parkinson's: Manualization and Dissemination, Emory University, Atlanta, GA
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Singing with Parkinson's at The Center for Movement Challenges, Perfect Harmony Health, Roswell, GA
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Think and Thrive Brain Gym, Lasting Language Therapy, Sandy Springs, GA
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Hawaii

*Hula for Parkinson's Disease, The Queen's Medical Center, Honolulu, HI
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Speech and Swallowing Therapy for Individuals with Parkinson's Disease in Hawaii, Hawaii Parkinson Association, Inc, Honolulu, HI
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Idaho

Treasure Valley Family YMCA - PD Community Wellbeing and Support Series, Treasure Valley Family YMCA, Boise, ID
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Illinois

Pathway Program for Parkinson's (PPP), Corey Emberton LLC, Chicago, IL
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**Rush Art BRIDGES Program: Building Resilience, Identity, and Dialogue through Guided Expression in people with Parkinson's and their loved ones, Rush University Medical Center, Chicago, IL

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Belleville Health & Sports Center Rock Steady Boxing, Belleville Health & Sports Center, Belleville, IL

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Indiana

Rock Steady Boxing at the YMCA of Steuben County, Rock Steady Boxing at the YMCA of Steuben County, Angola, IN

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Movement Matters: Rock Steady Boxing, Everbody's Fun & Fitness Center, Tell City, IN

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Iowa

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Kansas

Dance for Connection: Expanding Access to Movement and Community for People with Parkinson's, Tap To Togetherness Across Populations, Manhattan, KS

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Club Parkinson's EmpowerFit, Club Parkinson's of Kansas, INC, Wichita, KS

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Kentucky

Pages in Motion: A Writing & Movement Workshop for the Parkinson's Community, National Parkinsons Institute, Louisville, KY

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Louisiana

Rise Acadiana Rock Steady Boxing Program, Rise Acadiana, Lafayette, LA

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Maine

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Expanding Access to Evidence-Based Parkinson's Exercise and Support in Rural Midcoast Maine, Bath Area Family YMCA, Bath, ME

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Maryland

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Mindful Connections: Community-Based Mental Health and Support for People Living with Parkinson's Disease, American Diversity Group, Germantown, MD

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Healthy Caregivers, Stronger Communities: Parkinson's Support at the YMCA, YMCA of the Chesapeake, Easton, MD

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Massachusetts

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***Northeastern SPEAK OUT! Therapy Program**, Northeastern University, Boston, MA

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From Park Paths to Home Spaces: Expanding Parkinson's Wellness Through Movement and Connection, Rehab Health 360 LLC, Acton, MA

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Michigan

Rock Steady Boxing at the Macomb Family YMCA, YMCA of Metropolitan Detroit, Detroit, MI

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Pilot Program: Parkinson's Care Assessment & Hopeline, Michigan Parkinson Foundation, Farmington Hills, MI

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Minnesota

PWR! Moves for the Central Minnesota Parkinson's Community, Lakewood Health System, Staples, MN

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SomaYoga: A therapeutic approach for individuals with Parkinson's Disease, Yoga North LLC, Duluth, MN

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Missouri

Parkinson's Connection by John Knox Village, a whole person fitness, wellness and support program, John Knox Village, Lee's Summit, MO

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PARKINSON'S PULSE – Community Health, Education, and Support for Individuals with Parkinson's Disease and Care Partners, Saint Luke's Hospital of Kansas City, Kansas City, MO

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Loud for Life, Parkinson's Group of the Ozarks, Springfield, MO

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Nebraska

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Nevada

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New Hampshire

YMCA of Greater Nashua Parkinson's Programming, Young Men's Christian Association of Greater Nashua, Nashua, NH

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New Jersey

Parkinson's PWR! Moves, Jewish Community Center of Atlantic County, Margate City, NJ

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Inclusive & Expanded Weekly Steps to Wellness, Jewish Federation of Southern New Jersey, Cherry Hill, NJ

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New Mexico

PICKLEBALL FOR PARKINSON'S, New Mexico Arizona Pickleball Association, Albuquerque, NM

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Free Exercise for people with Parkinson's Disease in Central New Mexico, Parkinson's Connection of Central NM, Albuquerque, NM

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New York

Exercise, Education & Support, YMCA of the Capital District, Albany, NY

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YMCA of Greater Rochester Pedaling for Parkinsons, YMCA of Greater Rochester, Rochester, NY

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Music Therapy for Individuals and Caregivers with Parkinson's Disease, Northern Westchester Hospital Center Foundation, Julie Goldstein, jgoldstein5@northwell.edu, nwh.northwell.edu

Movin' the Mind and Groovin' the Balance, Hastings-on-Hudson Public Library, Hastings-on-Hudson, NY

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*Navigating Communication, Social Connectedness and Mental Health for Hispanic/Latiné Individuals with PD and their Care Partners through Culturally Responsive Support Groups, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, NY

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North Carolina

Anatomy of Care Workshops, American Dance Festival, Durham, NC

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*MY CARE: A Music Therapy & Yoga program for Caregivers of Adults with Parkinson's Disease in Rural Eastern North Carolina, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC

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2026 - Brunswick County Wellness Center Outreach & Expansion, Brunswick County Wellness Center, Southport, NC

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Mind, Body, and Connection: An Immersive VR Program for Holistic Well-Being in Parkinson's Patients and Caregivers (MBC-VR), East Carolina University, Greenville, NC

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Ohio

NeuroThrive - programming for individuals with Parkinson's disease, NeuroFit Gym, Hamilton, OH

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Parkinson's Neuro-Active Training Program (PNAT), 50 North, Findlay, OH

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Support & Education for People with Parkinson's Disease and their Care Partners, InMotion, Beachwood, OH

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Oregon

Rock Steady: Parkinson's Wellness Program at the Mid-Willamette Family YMCA, Mid-Willamette Family YMCA, Albany, OR

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Pennsylvania

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Forward Momentum: Parkinson's Movement and Social Support, Jewish Community Center of York Pennsylvania, York, PA

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Rhode Island

Power To Move Parkinson's Program, Young Men's Christian Association of Pawtucket, Pawtucket, RI

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South Carolina

Sergeants Unshakable Boxing, Sergeants Unshakable Boxing, Irmo, SC

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Supporting Mental Well-Being Through Integrated Programs, Greenville Area Parkinson Society, Greenville, SC

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2026-2027 Day One Fitness Parkinson's Exercise Program, Fighting To Win, Inc. dba Day One Fitness, Beech Island, SC

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South Dakota

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Tennessee

Painting with Parkinson's, Dixon Gallery and Gardens, Memphis, TN

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YMCA's Parkinson's Program, Young Men's Christian Association of Metropolitan Chattanooga, Chattanooga, TN

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Texas

*The Student - Fighter Project: Integrating Research, Exercise, and Community Support for Parkinson's Disease, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX

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Trailhead - Where Life with Parkinson's Begins, CTAP dba GAPS, Georgetown Area Parkinson's Support Group, Georgetown, TX

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**Evaluating Caregiver Burden in Parkinson's Disease Through a Structured Deep Brain Stimulation Support Program, University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio (UT Health San Antonio), San Antonio, TX

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****Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction for Parkinson's families, The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center (UT Southwestern), Dallas, TX**

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Utah

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Virginia

Move to Thrive Exercise Program, The Empowerment Neurofitness and Wellness Center, Virginia Beach, VA

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Washington

****Parkinson's CONNECT Program: Cultivating Community through Creativity, University of Washington, Seattle, WA**

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Wisconsin

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International

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