



Dear Friends,

Once again this year the pandemic prevents us from gathering for our annual CMTA fundraiser. While the need for research funds remains as great as ever, it's difficult to raise them without an event as a draw. We really hope that next year we will be back to our normal format and can offer a lovely evening with cocktails, delicious food, entertainment, an auction and raffles.

Even without an event, though, we are even more determined to raise money to help the Charcot-Marie-Tooth Association find a cure for this insidious disease. The CMTA's research is progressing faster than ever. Since 2008, when the CMTA implemented its Strategy to Accelerate Research, we have invested over \$17M in STAR, making us the largest charitable funder of CMT research in the world. We currently have over 50 active research projects with the top labs around the world, all vetted through our STAR advisory board, comprised of 30 of the top CMT scientists from around the globe. We are actively working with more than 30 biotech, pharmaceutical, and research labs, leaders in the latest genetic and neurological technologies including CRISPR, gene therapy, gene silencing and axon and muscle regeneration.

We keep saying we are close to a cure and it feels like we are. In recent years, the acceleration promised by STAR has gained even more momentum, like a snowball rolling downhill. But we need to continue the momentum. That means that research funds are more critical than ever, and that's why—even though the pandemic prevents us from holding our annual New York City fundraiser—I'm writing to ask for your help and support.

Last year without the dinner, my wonderful friends and community helped raise \$71,200 for CMT research. I hope I can count on your generosity and support again this year. We are winning this war and we cannot stop now. With your help, we will find a cure for this currently incurable disease.

Donate online at: cmtausa.org/psanders

With hope and gratitude,



Phyllis Sanders, Esq.



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Our investments in research rose 30 percent to \$2,930,291 in 2020.



Phyllis Sanders 2021 CMTA Fundraiser

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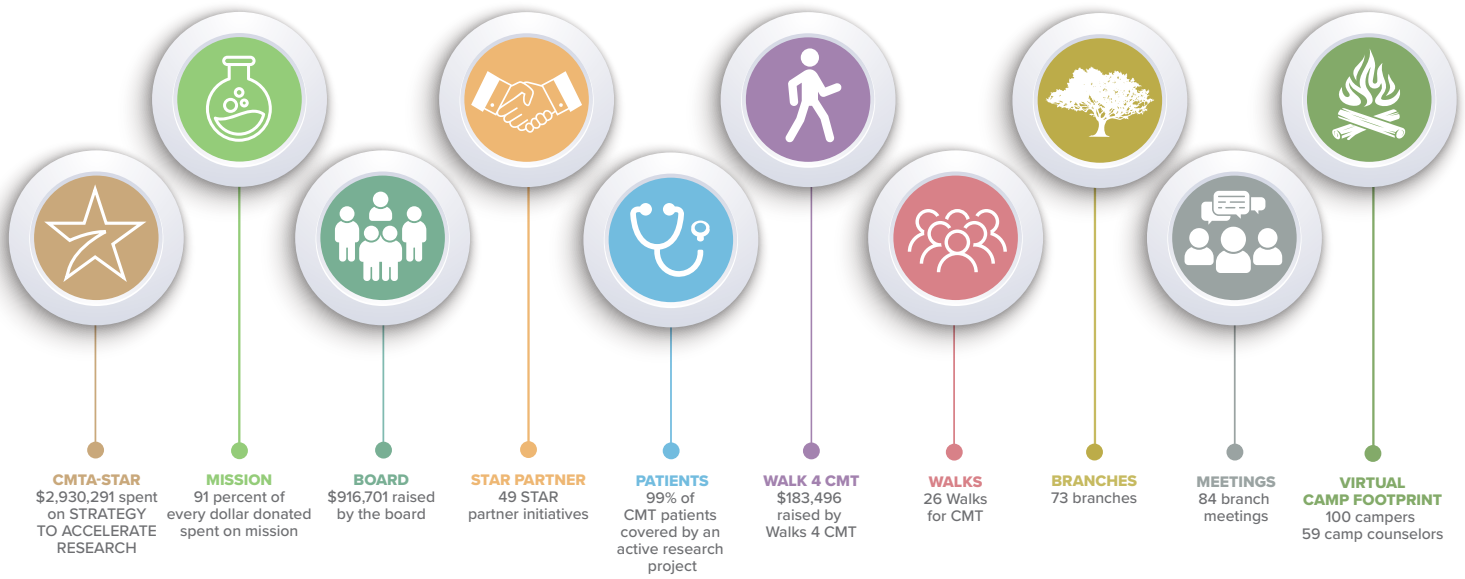
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