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Lou Gehrig
Baseball's Greatest First Baseman
Born: 1903
Diagnosed with ALS: 1939
Died: 1941

ALS of Michigan provides all services at "no charge"- ever - to our pALS and families.

As an independent 501(c)3 charity:

- Keep 100% of contributions right here in Michigan
- Support Michigan's ALS community to the fullest extent possible with contributions that we receive.

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Annual Report

**For the Period Ending
January 31, 2016**

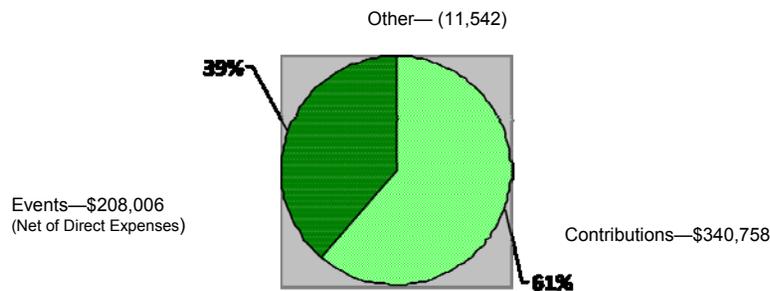
***Serving Michigan's
ALS Community for
38 Years***

1978 - 2016

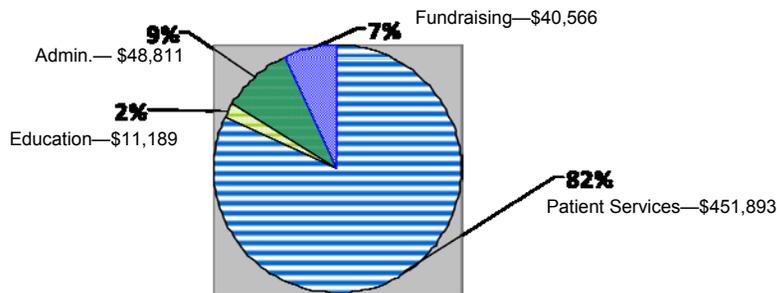
Our Accomplishments
February 1, 2015 through January 31, 2016

ALS of Michigan, Inc.
Revenues and Expenses
February 1, 2015 to January 31, 2016

Revenues — \$537,222



Expenses — \$552,459



These figures were taken from the organization's audited financial statements

“ALS of Michigan is dedicated to helping people with ALS (pALS), their families and caregivers to live life as fully as possible. We also support research into the cause and cure of ALS.”

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38 Years of Service to Michigan's ALS Community

pALS and Their Families - During the year we served 370 pALS (person with ALS) and their families from around Michigan and an estimated 1,500 additional family members and health professionals. Also, during the year ALS of Michigan's staff had over 3,700 documented contacts with pALS and their families.

AAC (Augmentative and Alternative Communication) Center
 One of the most difficult aspects for pALS and their families is the loss of the ability to speak. Through the Center, pALS can be evaluated and trained on a variety of communication devices by our Speech and Language Pathologist who specializes in this area. In 2014, 68 pALS had contact with our AAC Center and received help with their ability to remain “connected” with the world around them.

Clinics - ALS of Michigan is proud to be affiliated with some of the finest multidisciplinary clinics in Michigan. We provide the social work professional at the *Harry Hoenselaar ALS Clinic* at Henry Ford Hospital. We also work closely with the University of Michigan MND Clinic, and other clinics around Michigan.

Equipment Loan Closet - Durable medical equipment ranging from wheelchairs, ramps, and walkers to augmentative speech devices are available for loan to pALS for as long as needed. During the year more than 250 items were loaned to those in need. Over 300 items in total were on loan, and almost 200 items in our loan closet remain available. Another 80 items were purchased and shipped directly to pALS all around Michigan. We also provided supplies including food supplements, feeding utensils, commodes, shower chairs and more, often shipping these items directly to pALS who live in various areas in Michigan.

Information and Referral - Information is one of the most important resources available in the fight against ALS. ALS of Michigan has a large resource including professional work help and materials on a variety of topics of interest to pALS and their families.

Respite Care - Our *Respite Care Assistance Program* provides financial support to help relieve the 24-hour-a-day, seven-day-a-week job of caring for a pALS. This support enables the caregiver to take time away for themselves so they are better equipped to care for their loved one. We provided more than 8,500 hours of respite care to 103 pALS and families at a direct cost of almost \$130,000.

Support Groups - ALS of Michigan has a wide network of support groups throughout Michigan which provide information and emotional support. They are held in Midland, Northville, Southfield, St. Clair, Sterling Heights, and Lansing. In 2015, about 100 support group sessions were held. Support groups also hosted speakers on a variety of topics of interest to our ALS community.

Workshops & Seminars - Four (4) Workshops were held on topics of interest to our pALS and families. Attendees learned about a variety of topics ranging from respite care services to topics important to pALS and their families that help them live with ALS to updates in current research.

Volunteers - Our dedicated corps of volunteers are responsible for making our small organization seem large and accomplish so much. From our office to our events, volunteers make an instrumental difference. In 2014 over 60 volunteers provided thousands of hours of “help” to ALS of Michigan.