

October 18, 2011

Shelley Metzler
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Dear Shelley,

We want to personally thank you for your very generous donation of **\$880**. Your decision to support the 2011 Walk to Defeat ALS® is already making a difference. You've entered a world of support and hope for those affected by Lou Gehrig's Disease.

You are part of record-breaking success. The 2011 Walk season began with an aggressive goal of collecting over \$500,000 between six Walk sites. With support of donors like you, walkers and volunteers, over **\$700,000** has been received. While donations continue to trickle in through the end of the year, we couldn't be more thankful for this outpouring of commitment to the Association. We know that as a community that cares about ALS, you see the value in supporting our organization – the only national non-profit solely dedicated to ALS.

More than 6,000 people from a diverse group of cities and towns across our region share your vision of a world without ALS, as well as your belief that personal action makes a difference. The commitment, enthusiasm and passion of the participants created a remarkable feeling of hope during the Walks. By combining our commitment and passion, each day we are one-step closer to a treatment and ultimately, a cure.


How does the Chapter use your donation? The Chapter offers **FREE** programs and services to people living with ALS and their families in the State of Oregon and the six counties of SW Washington. Programs such as - Medical Equipment Loans, Assistive Technology Loans and Support, Daily Home Visits with Social Workers, Monthly Support Groups, Respite Care Grants, Advocacy, Education and Informational Services, as well as our partnerships with Providence ALS Center and St. Charles Medical Center - help to make the daily struggle with this devastating disease a little easier. Additionally, a portion of your donation funds ALS-specific national advocacy and international research.

Thank **YOU** again for letting those affected by ALS know **they are NOT alone**. Your support truly makes a difference. Great strides are being made in patient care, awareness is growing leaps and bounds, and research results are coming in for the cause of ALS which will lead to the development of treatments.

With So Much Gratitude,



Lance Christian, LMSW
Executive Director



Meagan Lancaster
Events Coordinator



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Development Director

To the extent provided by law, your gift may be considered a tax-deductible contribution to our organization. Please consult your tax professional. Our Federal Tax ID# is 68-0516066.

*You have made a
BIG DIFFERENCE!*

