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Mission

The Epilepsy Foundation of Minnesota (EFMN) leads the fight to overcome the challenges of living with epilepsy and to accelerate therapies to stop seizures, find cures and save lives.

Vision

A world where people with seizures realize their full potential.

About Epilepsy

One in 10 people will have a seizure in their lifetime and 1 in 26 will develop epilepsy; an estimated 60,000 people with epilepsy live in Minnesota and eastern North Dakota. EFMN works to improve understanding of epilepsy through regional education programs and public awareness efforts. We work closely with individuals affected by epilepsy, supporting them through their personal journey with epilepsy, and connecting them to resources and to other people with similar experiences.
Dear Friend of EFMN,

“Be THE go-to resource for people impacted by Epilepsy.”

That’s the lofty objective our board and staff are committed to achieving during our 2018-2020 strategic plan, Rise Beyond. We are proud to say that the Epilepsy Foundation of Minnesota (EFMN) has never been better poised to accomplish that goal than we are today. With a strong staff, committed board of directors and a community of supporters aligned around our vision, we will continue to be that resource for Minnesota and eastern North Dakota. Over the next year, you’ll see EFMN connecting in new ways in communities, educating and supporting efforts in epilepsy research and building on our organization’s strengths.

In 2017 we positively affected over 200,000 people who needed information, support, referrals and more importantly a community of understanding people who all believe that together we can help the people we serve live the best life possible. If you’ve been following us closely, you’ll see that we have featured stories throughout the year about amazing and courageous people who have shared their journey in an effort to build awareness of the many faces of epilepsy and build support of our mission. Each one of these stories has highlighted the programs we are so proud to bring our community.

In the following pages you’ll read about the programs and services that EFMN offers and the strong financial and professional systems that underpin them. Critical in the success of all of our work is the generosity of our financial donors and volunteers. We hope you’ll take a moment to recognize your place in this important work. Thank you deeply for your commitment to EFMN.

Brandon Megal
Board President

Heidi L. Fisher
Executive Director
EFMN seeks to improve the lives of people affected by epilepsy. We also raise awareness in the general public of the prevalence of epilepsy and improve the public’s understanding of the condition. Our programs serve people of all ages and across the spectrum of epilepsy. In 2017, we are proud to report these highlights:

- **Camp expansion** continued in 2017! In addition to our week-long overnight Camp Oz, we added a family camp for youth who are more severely-impacted and their families, as well as a day camp for younger campers.
- **Seizure Smart Schools** educated 15,000 school personnel and students, making these schools a safer place for people with epilepsy.
- EFMN staff provided seizure recognition and response trainings to 6,100 people.
- Our **Information & Referral** program provided one-to-one help to 800 people seeking assistance. Thousands more connected to our resources through exhibits, community events, and our Wellness Expo.

**52,700 PEOPLE WERE DIRECTLY SERVED BY EFMN IN 2017**

**RAISING AWARENESS**

EFMN launched our ONE in 26 campaign in honor of November Epilepsy Awareness Month which focused on the prevalence of epilepsy and the stories behind the statistics. Billboards, bus sides, and social media put the reach of this campaign into the hundreds of thousands. A specially-created video was viewed over 6,600 times, and hundreds of people uploaded their personal messages of strength and inspiration to the ONEin26.org website.
In 2017, EFMN undertook an extensive strategic planning process. We listened to dozens of stakeholders across the region to better understand what they see as the strengths and opportunities of the organization. That information was used by the Board of Directors and staff as they spent many hours in planning meetings to create our 2018-2020 Rise Beyond Strategic Plan.

Our plan is organized into four areas of focus, illustrated below. Each of these areas augments our ability to serve ALL people in Minnesota and eastern North Dakota with resources, both current and new. We have high hopes that this plan will position us to grow into our areas of strength, while adding new aspects to our work that we think will be a valuable resource to our community.

- Strengthen outstate resources
- Deploy aggressive awareness campaigns
- Leverage volunteer program
- Maximize marketing and communication

- INCREASE EPILEPSY AWARENESS AND PROGRAMMING
- Increase organizational capacity to serve more people
- Invest in data and technology infrastructure
- Expand internal collaboration

- SUPPORT RESEARCH AND INNOVATION
- Advance national epilepsy research efforts through financial support
- Leverage existing outreach and communication efforts to promote new epilepsy research and therapies
- Highlight epilepsy research with EFMN’s board, staff, and advisors

- INVEST IN OUR INTERNAL RESOURCES
- Serve and include communities of color and under-served communities
- Partner with the medical community
- Use data for impact
- Investigate new revenue streams

- CONNECT WITH MORE COMMUNITIES
THANK YOU TO OUR CORPORATE PARTNERS

We want to salute the law firm of Fredrikson & Byron, P.A. and the Government Relations Practice team for their pro bono work. Kevin Goodno has been our pro bono lobbyist for over ten years. He channel his passion for helping people living with epilepsy through dedicating his time and talent to helping EFMN forward our advocacy and public policy efforts. Kevin also served on the EFMN Board of Directors for six years, two in the role of President. Thank you Fredrikson & Byron, P.A., Kevin and the entire Government Relations team.

“When our daughter was diagnosed with epilepsy, EFMN provided my family resources and programs that helped us understand our new normal and supported us throughout the journey. Minnesota and eastern North Dakota are fortunate to have EFMN as the ‘go-to’ resource for those impacted by epilepsy. I am honored to be able to support this organization as a pro bono lobbyist.”

- Kevin Goodno
Brandon and Stephanie's personal connection to epilepsy brought them to EFMN and their commitment has made a lasting impact upon our mission. Brandon has served on the Board of Directors since 2014, and is currently President. He has dedicated countless hours locally, as well as working closely with our national office, Epilepsy Foundation of America. Brandon also played a leadership role in developing our 2018-2020 Strategic Plan, Rise Beyond. Stephanie has served on our gala committee for several years. As committee chair the last three years, Stephanie led a team of staff and volunteers which planned and executed the top three revenue grossing Galas in EFMN's history while raising ongoing awareness for the foundation. Thank you, Brandon and Stephanie!

DONATED GOODS PROGRAM

EFMN collected over 10 Million pounds of used clothing and household items, converting unwanted items into a significant revenue stream for our programs. We successfully mounted a Million Pound Challenge, helping us unlock higher pricing from our vendor for 2018.

The strong financial performance of EFMN in 2017 has set the groundwork for organizational growth in 2018-2020. This past year we invested in our personnel and had a record-breaking year in our Donated Goods operations. Our team is energized by the vision of our strategic plan and 2017’s financial performance will allow us to fund future expansion by investing in our mission on a deeper level. We are grateful to so many who support our mission through volunteerism, financial support and/or donating goods.”

- Heidi Fisher, Executive Director

COMMITHMENT IN ACTION

2017 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

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TEAM RISE ABOVE EPILEPSY

Gab Szerda, husband of EFMN board member Dr. Julia Valente, raced in the 205-mile race “Tor des Géants” in the Swiss Alps in September 2017. He used the race to raise awareness and funds for the Epilepsy Foundation of MN. Thank you to the 87 contributors who gave over $34,000 to Team Rise!


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“It is important to meet with your legislators because no one but you can tell your story about how epilepsy has impacted your day to day life.”

- Day at the Capitol participant

2017 Winning Kid Will Schneider and his parents traveled to Washington D.C. to meet with their representatives and participate in the national Epilepsy Foundation of America’s Teens Speak Up! and Public Policy Institute. Pictured: The Schneider family and EFMN’s Senior Program Manager Nikki Baker meet with Representative Eric Paulsen in his D.C. office.
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Imagine, suddenly being unable to drive to work due to a seizure. Or needing a seizure dog and the resources to secure it. Imagine suddenly finding out the medication you need to control seizures is not covered by your insurance or the copay is one you can’t afford. Sound overwhelming? For many living with epilepsy, these scenarios are real and often create unanticipated expenses. Because of a generous challenge grant by the Hubbard Broadcasting Foundation, EFMN has created this fund to provide financial assistance to individuals or families who have an unexpected short-term financial need. We hope to begin funding awards in the summer of 2018. To ensure that awards will continue to be available, we will continue to actively fund. To find out more or to make a contribution, please contact Rachelle Holm at rholm@efmn.org.

When Joe Hager passed away suddenly, his co-workers at White Bear Mitsubishi created a Walk team to honor his memory. Almost 50 people participated in the Metro Walk in memory of Joe and raised over $20,000.

Pictured above: Team Captain, Richard Herod III and EFMN Executive Director, Heidi Fisher.