

Allan Marcus Fund for Families in Need with PSP

Purpose

This grant program helps progressive supranuclear palsy (PSP) families make the life of someone with PSP special in some way. The idea is to celebrate your PSP loved one while they are alive as a means of bringing joy and lasting memories to your family. Thanks to a generous donation by the Allan Marcus Family, Brain Support Network (BSN) will provide PSP families in need with grants up to \$1500 while funds remain.

Allan's sister Lynn Richards is a Brain Support Network member. Her beloved brother Allan died in 2016 at age 75. His diagnosis of PSP was confirmed through brain donation.

Lynn writes: "Our family was fortunate in being able to do everything possible to make sure he was as independent, safe and engaged for as long as was possible. Family came from near and far to visit with him regularly and we gathered together for family meals at his assisted living facility. He was a self-taught watercolor artist among his many talents, and we were encouraged that he wanted to continue to paint up until several months before he died. We were also fortunate that hospice provided a wide variety of supportive services that relieved pain, soothed and entertained him. In his memory we have created the *Allan Marcus Fund for Families in Need with PSP*. Allan would be overjoyed to know his legacy continues by being able to contribute to making the life of another person with PSP special in some way."

Ideas for Grant Funds

The grant program is designed with maximum flexibility. Your family can determine how to best use the funds in a way meaningful to your family. The funds must be used in 2017. Some possible uses include – but are not limited to – the following:

- Visits from a professional therapist (e.g. psychotherapy, massage therapy)
- Transportation costs to bring a loved one to visit the family member with PSP
- Paying for an aide to accompany the family member with PSP somewhere special
- Paying for a photographer, videographer, or painter to take family photographs, make a recording of your loved one, or commission a family portrait
- A celebration of your family member as is fitting for your family
- Reproduction costs of your loved one's history, art, poetry as a family remembrance
- Providing respite for the main caregiver of the family member

Grant

The maximum one-time grant amount is \$1500 per family. We will accept applications beginning on May 15, 2017. Selections will be made within two weeks of the receipt of an application. We will continue accepting applications and awarding grants until all the funds are disbursed. The grant will be paid to the family within three weeks of BSN's receipt of documentation of the expense. The expense must be incurred in 2017.

Eligibility

Families meeting the following criteria are eligible for a grant:

1. Family member has a clinical diagnosis, made by a neurologist or psychiatrist, of progressive supranuclear palsy
2. Family must have a financial need such that the family would not be able to pay for this without the grant. (No documentation is required for this.)

Grant Application

Please complete the simple form for submission to Brain Support Network. On the form, the family will provide:

1. Grant applicant's contact information. (The grant applicant is the family member with whom BSN can communicate about the grant.) We also ask for the grant recipient's information, if this is a different person than the grant applicant.
2. Name of family member with PSP and information as to who made the diagnosis
3. Your family's proposal for how to celebrate your loved one with PSP while still alive
4. Estimated cost of your proposal. If your proposal will cost more than \$1500, how do you plan to pay for the difference? For example, if you want to commission a portrait or reproduction of art work, how much will this cost?

Questions?

Please contact Mindy Lumm at Brain Support Network by email

mindy.lumm@brainsupportnetwork.org or phone (650)714-9540 if you have any questions.

**Allan Marcus Fund for Families Dealing with PSP
Grant Application Form**

Thank you for submitting this grant application! Submit your completed form to:

- By postal mail to Brain Support Network, PO Box 7264, Menlo Park, CA 94026
- By fax to +1 [650-233-9278](tel:6502339278)
- By email mindy.lumm@brainsupportnetwork.org

Grant Applicant information

_____	_____
Name of Grant Applicant	Home Phone of Grant Applicant
_____	_____
Street Address of Grant Applicant	Mobile Phone of Grant Applicant
_____	_____
City, State, and ZIP code of Grant Applicant	Email Address of Grant Applicant

Recipient of Grant Check (if not Grant Applicant)

_____	_____
Name of Intended Recipient	Street Address of Intended Recipient
_____	_____
Phone of Intended Recipient	City, State, and ZIP code of Intended Recipient
	Recipient

Information on Person with PSP

_____	_____
Name of Person with PSP	Relationship to Applicant

Physician Info

_____	_____
Name of MD who Gave PSP Diagnosis	Specialty (Neurology, Psychiatry, etc)
_____	_____
Clinic Name (eg, UCSF, Kaiser)	Clinic City, State

