

ANNUAL REPORT 2020

The Bonnell Foundation: Living with Cystic Fibrosis

CF is a genetic disease that causes chronic and fatal lung infections, interferes with digestion and impacts every organ. In 2020 the average life expectancy for someone born today is age 47. However, there is much hope for the future thanks to new medications and other treatment options that are currently in clinical trials.

The purpose of The Bonnell Foundation is to help families navigate the CF journey by providing important resources, support, and financial assistance.

In Michigan there are approximately 1,100 people living with cystic fibrosis (CF). This genetic disease affects 30,000 people in the United States, and 70,000 people in the world.



College Scholarships

We've given out hundreds of thousands of dollars in scholarships to students with CF throughout the United States. In 2020 we were able to award \$25,000 in tuition support.



Financial Assistance

We have helped hundreds of families with medical bills and lung transplant grants over the past ten years. Over \$30,000 in financial assistance was given in 2020.

"I hope you take comfort in knowing the work you do has truly made a difference in Abe's life, especially when so many things are out of control."

Elizabeth - March 2020



CF Task Force

We have continued CF advocacy on behalf of our CF community.



Fundraisers

In order to provide assistance, we have several fundraisers each year. Included are the Portraits of CF calendars, the Celebrity Softball game, golf outings, galas, CF education dates, and other creative programs.

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The Bonnell Foundation Podcast
 thebonnellfoundation.org

The Bonnell Foundation podcasts continue to educate the CF community and the general public. We talk about speciality drugs, mental health concerns, and what moms worry about in relation to their kids with CF. We also feature conversations with Dr. Francis Collins, Director of the National Institute of Health. **Listen to our podcasts** anywhere you get your podcasts.

The Bonnell Foundation is committed to supporting the CF community. We could not do this vital work without the help of our sponsors. The Bonnell Foundation does not discriminate based on sex, religion, race, or sexual orientation. Anyone with CF is eligible.