



# LIVE. BREATHE. INSPIRE.

## WHAT WE DO



When insurance companies continued to limit their coverage, and healthcare grant organizations began closing their funds early, we feared we were running out of any assistance for our patients. In (CF) clinic, I saw and heard from patients and families who were increasingly stressed about whether they could afford their life-preserving medications or come to routine clinic visits. Then we found the Bonnell Foundation! They are a consistent resource to go to in these challenging times. The sigh of relief I hear from my patients when the Bonnell Foundation has been able to step in and assist with either their medication or clinic bill has been invaluable. – *Social Worker Leah*

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Financial Assistance link: <https://thebonnellfoundation.org/financial-assistance/>

Lung Transplant Grants link: <https://thebonnellfoundation.org/lung-transplant-assistance/>

COTA link: <https://cota.org>

The Bonnell Foundation began in August of 2010. Laura Bonnell saw a need not being met for Cystic Fibrosis parents. CF parents need emotional and financial support.



The Bonnell Foundation partners with COTA to help with grants for CF patients needing financial assistance in relation to transplantation.



Molly, Laura, Emily, and Joe Bonnell

## NEW PROGRAMS

The Hand in Hand Mentoring program: peer support forms a stronger, more connected CF community. The Bonnell Foundation offers a mentoring program to parents of children with CF (or adults with the disease) by experienced parents of CF adults. The purpose of the mentoring program is to help with non-medical questions and concerns, to connect CF parents, CF adults and to form a stronger and more connected CF community. Thanks to CF Nurse Wendi Tague and Social Worker Claire Haglund for steering this program so beautifully.



Living with Cystic Fibrosis



The Bonnell Foundation Podcast



The Living with Cystic Fibrosis podcast was awarded top honors in 2023 and continues to break ground on CF story telling. In 2024 Laura Bonnell shared hundreds of stories about the challenges of people with CF, updated listeners about legislation and health insurance. She also entertained us with inspiring stories of CF transplant marathon runners, doctors, supports and parents.

“ Every time I listen to your podcast, I learn something new! ”

Vicky D.

CF MASTER CLASS SERIES

The CF Master Class program has gone Global. In 2024 we featured stories about families around the world who are dealing with fewer CF medications and even the death of a child because of lack of available care and medications. Khaled Al Farayeh had three children with CF, and two of them died from the disease. Mr. Al Farayeh and his wife carry on and raise awareness about CF. Khaled became the mayor of his city and despite his horrible loss, he is a beacon in the CF community.



CF Master Class link: <https://cfmasterclass.org>

EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS

In 2024 The Bonnell Foundation awarded \$35,200 to students across the Country. Every January our application process begins. We award undergrad students at University, Community College and Trade School. Thanks to the CF Mom, who chooses to be anonymous, who funds our scholarship program.

Education Scholarship link: <https://thebonnellfoundation.org/scholarships/>



Valentino T.  
2024 Education Scholarship Recipient

Faith E.  
2024 Education Scholarship Recipient

OUR PROGRAMS

- Hand in Hand Mentoring program
- CF Familia page
- CF Master Class – Global and U.S.
- Bonnell Foundation Newsletter
- Delta Dental program (part of our Financial Assistance program)
- Lung Transplant Grant program
- Financial Assistance program
- Education Grants
- Living with Cystic Fibrosis podcasts
- Hospital Bag program
- Webinars
- Advocacy
- Fellowship program

FUNDRAISING

- Night of Hope Celebration
- Portraits of Cystic Fibrosis Calendars
- Celebrity Softball Game

PARTNERSHIPS

- Cure Found MSU and UM CF non profit foundations
- Children's Organ Transplant Association (COTA)

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