



# LIVE. BREATHE. INSPIRE.



## WHAT WE DO



On behalf of our entire family, I want to extend our deepest gratitude for the support you provided after a very difficult time. When our 15-year-old daughter was hospitalized, we were overwhelmed not just emotionally but financially as well. The medical bills had started to weigh heavily on us, and your support lifted a tremendous burden. – *The Smith Family*

You all are doing a truly incredible thing for people with CF, I can't even begin to explain the weight and burden of bills, and what The Bonnell Foundation lifted off my families' shoulders with this help. This seriously means the world; I can't thank you enough! – *Lin, Florida*

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The Bonnell Foundation is dedicated to supporting families living with cystic fibrosis (CF) by providing vital financial assistance for medical-related expenses, including durable medical equipment, essential prescriptions and vitamins, and organ transplant costs. We receive requests for help every day and proudly assist every eligible family who reaches out. In 2025, when a critical vitamin grant was discontinued, The Bonnell Foundation stepped in with \$15,000 in emergency funding to help MVW Nutritionals to ensure families did not lose access to prescription vitamins, one example of how your support changes lives.

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

*Organ Transplant Grants:* <https://thebonnellfoundation.org/lung-transplant-assistance/>

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



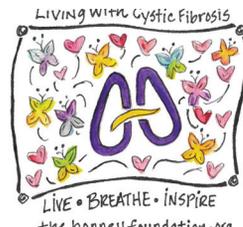
Emily, Molly, Laura, and Joe Bonnell

The Bonnell Foundation was founded in August 2010 by Laura Bonnell to address unmet needs among cystic fibrosis parents, providing essential emotional and financial support.

## CONTINUING PROGRAMS

The Bonnell Foundation's Hand in Hand Mentoring program pairs parents of children with CF (or adults with the disease) with experienced mentors to address non-medical concerns, foster connections, and build a stronger CF community. Special thanks to CF Nurse Wendi Tague and Social Worker Claire Haglund for guiding this program.

Our Hospital Bags program now supports CF clinics nationwide, providing social workers with bags filled with comfort items—like phone chargers, gift cards, and mugs—for parents and adult patients during hospital stays.



**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)
- Organ Transplant Grant Program
- Financial Assistance Program
- Education Grants
- Living with cystic fibrosis podcasts
- Hospital Bag program
- Webinars
- Advocacy
- Fellowship program
- CF Arabic page

**FUNDRAISING**

- Individual giving
- Night of Hope Gala
- Portraits of cystic fibrosis calendars
- Bonnell Foundation merchandise
- Education Day event
- The 2nd Annual Steven Strickland Memorial Dodgeball Fundraiser

**PARTNERSHIPS**

- Cure Found MSU and UM CF non profit foundations
- Children’s Organ Transplant Association

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**THE BONNELL FOUNDATION PODCAST**

The award-winning Living with Cystic Fibrosis podcast, hosted by Laura Bonnell, features diverse voices—including physicians, people with CF, parents, and advocates—to create conversations that educate, inform, and inspire.

Through thoughtful storytelling and expert insights, it raises awareness of critical, often-overlooked issues such as underdiagnosis in CF communities of color, the “final ten percent” without effective modulators, the intersection of CF and cancer, and other emerging topics shaping the CF landscape.



**EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS**



Pictured above are 2025 Education Scholarship Recipients

In 2025, The Bonnell Foundation awarded \$25,000 in scholarships to individuals with cystic fibrosis attending universities and community colleges. While no applications were received from students enrolled in trade schools this year, we hope to see greater participation from trade school students in 2026. We are deeply grateful to the Michigan CF Mom whose generosity makes this scholarship program possible.

<https://thebonnellfoundation.org/scholarships/>

**FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM**



The Bonnell Foundation is cultivating the next generation of cystic fibrosis specialists through our fellowship program honoring Dr. Samya Nasr, a distinguished pediatric pulmonologist at University of Michigan Health C.S.

Mott Children’s Hospital. The program offers fellows unique clinical and research opportunities to deepen their training and commitment to CF care.

Bonnell Foundation Board members recently met with C.S. Mott physicians to discuss the fellowship's future. Launched to combat the national shortage of CF specialists, we are proud to help sustain high-quality cystic fibrosis care.