

National Family Teams

A Community of Caring – Coast to Coast

Family teams are the heart and soul of the Great Strides campaign. Developing a National Family Team gives your friends and family members around the United States the opportunity to show how much they care. They stand by your side wherever they are, sharing your passion and dedication to finding a cure for cystic fibrosis. They comprise a nationwide community of caring.

Benefits of National Family Team Participation

- Create a greater sense of team and support, engaging friends and family nationwide to make CF stand for Cure Found.
- Share ideas and learn from successful National Family Teams via conference calls and other virtual gatherings.
- Increase your total fundraising by raising money collectively through multiple teams.
- Qualify for special incentives, prizes and promotions.
- Compete for the National Team Challenge Cup awarded at the National Volunteer Leadership Conference.
- Generate national recognition for your family team on the Great Strides website and Twitter.
- Manage your campaign with a Team Progress Bar on your personal web page that displays your national fundraising total to date.
- Access online tools and templates to make fundraising fast and easy.

What It Takes to Start a National Family Team

- Identify at least three markets across the United States where family members, former classmates, friends and colleagues can form a team.
- Work with your local chapter to officially register your National Family Team, establish a national fundraising goal and develop a plan for success.
- Invite one person in each market to serve as a team leader to recruit, lead and coordinate that local team.



Friends of KC



SWAT Team



Team Gavin

Why Family Teams Support the CF Foundation



"Wouldn't it be great to speed up the funding of research and treatments and find a cure faster? That's what having a national team does — it casts your net wider. More awareness. More money."

John Abrahamson, CF Dad in Charlotte, N.C. - Caleb's Crew

"Having a daughter with CF is fraught with obstacles and frustrations. The thing that keeps us going is the amazing progress being made every day in the development of new therapies. It is entirely possible there will be a cure for CF within our daughter Ella's lifetime. That idea is worth fighting for and supporting in ANY way we can!"



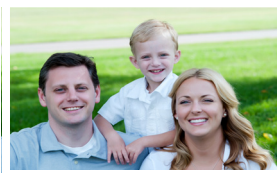
Lindsay Deveaux, CF Mom in Portland, Ore - Ella's Elite



"Our National Family Team serves as our tree: When we say 'join our national team,' we mean, pick the branch of our team closest to you and give it all you've got!"

Jillian Downs, CF Mom in Bethesda, Md. - Ava's Aviary

"One of the best things about leading a national team is the profound feeling of having family and friends all over the United States walking in support of your child! It is an amazing feeling for me, and I believe my child benefits from that nationwide system of support as well."



Kati Pannecouck, CF Mom in Detroit, Mich. - Ben's Buddies

"By becoming a National Family Team, we've been able to create a much bigger team and raise so much more money than we ever could have alone. More money and more people means the cure for my boys will come that much faster!"

*Pam Baker
CF Mom in Atlanta, Ga.
Baker Boys' Battalion*

