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Date \_\_\_\_\_

Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

To most people living with it, the letters “MS” mean more than “multiple sclerosis.”

**MS can mean:**

- Not being able to walk your daughter down the aisle on her wedding day
- Losing your ability to work full time
- Not being able to see your children play sports
- Depending on others to do daily tasks

MS isn’t just a collection of symptoms such as a paralysis, debilitating fatigue or loss of vision – it’s an unpredictable disease that can rob people of their independence and overall quality of life. Unfortunately, many people simply don’t understand what MS is or what it does to all those affected by it.

I am trying to change that by participating in Bike MS: City to Shore Ride. This year, I have set a personal goal of raising \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and I’m asking you to please make a contribution.

- **Make your check payable to the National MS Society and mail it back to me using the enclosed envelope**
- **Or donate to my fundraising campaign online at [MScycling.org](https://www.MScycling.org). To credit my fundraising account, click on the “Make a Donation” button, then type my name in the fields provided**

The National MS Society is the leading provider of services and programs for 13,000 local people living with MS and their families. The Society also invests more money in MS research than any other volunteer-driven health organization in the world.

When you donate to a Bike MS event, you become part of the powerful movement that will ensure that one day soon, MS means “mystery solved.” Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Warmest regards,

# HOW WE HELP

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## DAILY LIFE

- > Home care
- > Wellness programs
- > Physical/occupational/speech and language therapy
- > Self-help groups
- > Employment services

## EDUCATION

- > Workshops and materials
- > Information and Resource Center (1-800-FIGHT-MS)

## HEALTH SERVICES

- > Care management
- > Transportation to neurology appointments
- > Medical equipment
- > Personal care supplies
- > Health insurance advocacy

## FOR CAREGIVERS

- > Family programs
- > Caregiver respite

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

- > Quality of Life Grant  
Emergency aid for housing, food, utilities, eyeglasses, household repairs and other essential items
- > Modifications Assistance Grant  
Provides funds to modify homes and/or vehicles to improve accessibility
- > HomeABLE Grant  
Funds major home modifications

If you or someone you know has MS, please contact the National Multiple Sclerosis Society today at **[nationalMSSociety.org](http://nationalMSSociety.org)** or **1-800-FIGHT-MS** to learn about ways to help manage multiple sclerosis and about current research that may one day reveal a cure.

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Early and ongoing treatment with an FDA-approved therapy can make a difference for people with multiple sclerosis. Learn about your options by talking to your health care professional and contacting the National MS Society at **[nationalMSSociety.org](http://nationalMSSociety.org)** or **1-800-FIGHT-MS (344-4867)**.



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