



# MILES 4NF

Walk for Neurofibromatosis

## Thank you!!

This past June was our most successful walk to date; we raised **\$27,194.30!**

Together, we have raised \$129,721 for NF research since we started our walks in 2011. We are so very grateful to our walkers and our generous sponsors, donors and volunteers.

Kelly Robbins collected the most in donations for the 5<sup>th</sup> year in a row... **\$4,355!!!**

She surpassed last year's amount by almost \$1,000.

Her strength, support, determination and commitment are phenomenal.

We would also like to thank Robert Bennethum for being our guest speaker and sharing his personal experience with NF.

His words were touching and his message inspiring.

We are pleased to announce that for 2017 there were two worthy recipients of the money raised from our NF walk.

Dr. Raymond Mattingly, professor and chair of pharmacology at Wayne State University's School of Medicine and also 2016's NF walk recipient, is leading projects aimed toward developing new, safe and effective therapies for tumors associated with NF1.

Dr. Matthew Steensma, an orthopedic oncologist, splits his time between seeing NF patients at Spectrum Health and researching NF at the Van Andel Institute. Dr Steensma, a Francis S. Collins Scholar, is currently working on better understanding the mechanisms involved in cutaneous neurofibroma development.

He was a recipient of three previous grants (2012-2014) from our NF walk events.

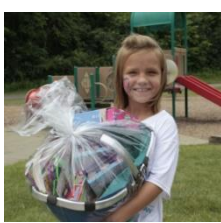
Please mark your calendars for Saturday, June 23, 2018 for our eighth annual walk at Drake Sports Park in West Bloomfield.

Go to our link <http://www.planetReg.com/Miles 4NF 2018 West Bloomfield> to register.

The registration site is now open. Let's make 2018 our biggest and greatest!

Thank you for your time and support,  
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Thanks to Clara, our inspiration



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