The WALK for ALS is the largest volunteer-led fundraiser for ALS across the country. The WALK for ALS is about communities coming together to raise funds and channel hope for a future without Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS). ALS is a rapid, always fatal neurodegenerative disease. It attacks the nerves of the body that are responsible for sending messages to the brain. This results in weakness and wasting, and eventually an inability to swallow or breathe.

2,500 - 3,000
people are living with ALS in Canada

2-5 YEARS
average life expectancy after diagnosis

5-10%
of cases are familial (inherited through mutated gene)

90%+
sporadic cases (unknown cause)

150,000 - 250,000
Cost to average family over the course of the disease

In Canada 2-3 people are diagnosed with ALS everyday

there is no cure

The ALS Society of Alberta's mission is to make each day the best possible day for people living with and affected by ALS. It achieves this by providing support, facilitating the provision of care, promoting awareness, helping find a cure and advocating for change.

60% of funds raised at the WALK for ALS are allocated to client support services in Alberta. This includes the Equipment Loan Program, support groups, home visits, referrals and support for children through the Support for Champions program.

The remaining **40%** support ongoing ALS research across Canada through the National Research Program.

AMBASSADOR - ADAM ROMBOUGH

"My name is Adam Rombough and I am honoured to be the 2018 Edmonton WALK for ALS Ambassador. I have always approached life with passion and determination no matter what challenges I am faced with. In October of 2016 I was out for lunch with a client who asked me how long I have been waiting and how many drinks I had already had, because my speech was slurred. The answer was zero; this was one of the many symptoms that I had been experiencing. When I asked my family doctor he did not seem concerned, he brushed me off. After months of pursuing answers from other doctors, in February of 2017 at 32 years old I was diagnosed with ALS, a disease that is always fatal and has no cure. Because of these facts I chose to accept my diagnosis, rather than sitting around feeling sorry for myself. I embraced opportunities that were being presented to me. Within one week I had retired from my career, and then I started living my life the way I wanted to. I began by traveling and started working on a documentary about my life with ALS. I also spend a lot of time developing the relationships that I value the most, because I have realized that that is the most important thing in my life.

Even though I choose to look at the positive things in my life everyday there are countless obstacles that I must face: relocating, renovating a house to fit all of the needs of being in a wheelchair, scheduling endless medical appointments, and purchasing and finding the right equipment to best suit my ever-changing needs. All while losing my ability to speak and take care of myself. It has been overwhelming to say the least. Throughout my journey I have realized we are not lacking loving and caring professionals who are willing to do what it takes to make my life easier and more comfortable. What we are lacking is funding and research which is why I am humbly asking you to get on board with supporting the ALS Society of Alberta.

The work that they do and the research that they fund has allowed me to focus on living my life to the fullest. I like to believe that I am not slowly dying, but I am quickly living".

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SATURDAY, JUNE 9 2018

William Hawrelak Park

REGISTRATION: 9 a.m.

KICK-OFF: 10 a.m.

REGISTER AT WALKFORALS.CA

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2018 PLEDGE FORM

www.WALKforALS.ca

Please print clearly. If we can't read it, we can't receipt it.

Individual Name: _____

WALK Location: _____

Team Name/Captain: _____

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City/Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

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I am walking in honour of:

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My fundraising goal is:

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- Receipts will be issued for all donations of $25 or more
- P lease photocopy this form if you need extra copies
- Ensure cheques are payable to ALS Society of Alberta
- Collect the money when the donor contributes
- Charitable Registration #12063 0827 RR0001
- If you are depositing your money at the bank, you must bring this stamped pledge form and the deposit slip to the WALK and hand it in, or mail to:

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WAIVER MUST BE SIGNED BY WALKER

The Participant:

1. Hereby releases, waives and discharges and agrees to hold harmless and indemnify ALS Canada and the ALS Society of Alberta and each of its Corporate or individual Sponsors, as well as their subsidiaries and all associated, affiliated and related entities, successors, assigns, licensees, and their respective officers, directors, shareholders, agents and employees for or in relation to any claims or demands for any loss or damage by virtue of any injury to the person or damage to property suffered or sustained by the Participant arising out of or related in any way to the Walk for ALS, whether caused by negligence of otherwise.
2. Hereby grants to ALS Canada and the ALS Society of Alberta the full rights and permission to copyright and/or use, publish, and republish, video and still photographic material of the Participant in connection with the Walk for ALS in which the Participant may be included in whole or in part, in colour or in black and white, including the use of any electronic version in conjunction with such videos.

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, AND HAVE SIGNED IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT, ASSURANCE OR GUARANTEE BEING MADE TO ME AND INTEND MY SIGNATURE TO BE A COMPLETE AND UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF ALL LIABILITY TO THE GREATEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW.

_____ Signature of participant

_____ Parent/Guardian if under 18 years of age

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