

# March Branch Challenge



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**B**rothers and sisters, March was quite a month! The March Branch Challenge was the first Branch Challenge of 2023. I've been so impressed with how branches have embraced these challenges since we began hosting them in 2020, raising hundreds of thousands of dollars. Thanks to all of you for your efforts to help MDA Deliver the Cure.



## NALC March 2023 Branch Challenge recap:

- Close to \$123,000 was raised in March from online donations and events around the country.
- An incredible 69 branches and state associations were actively fundraising that month.
- In the final week of the challenge alone, 37 branches were active and collectively raised \$56,605. What a way to end the month with more than double the amount we raised during the March Challenge last year!
- Nine branches (and the Committee of Presidents) raised more than \$3,000, the equivalent cost to send a child to one week of MDA Summer Camp. Each of these branches will be getting special prizes and recognition from MDA:

1. New Jersey Mgd. Br. 38 \$20,000.00

- 2. Chicago, IL Br. 11 \$11,058.00
- 3. Colorado Springs, CO Br. 204 \$7,743.00
- 4. Sacramento, CA Br. 133 \$7,645.81
- 5. Spokane, WA Br. 442 \$5,124.00
- 6. Camden, NJ Mgd. Br. 540 \$5,070.00
- 7. Northeast Florida Br. 53 \$3,990.00
- 8. Royal Oak, MI Br. 3126 \$3,742.50
- 9. Committee of Presidents \$3,576.00
- 10. Saginaw, MI Br. 74 \$3,443.00

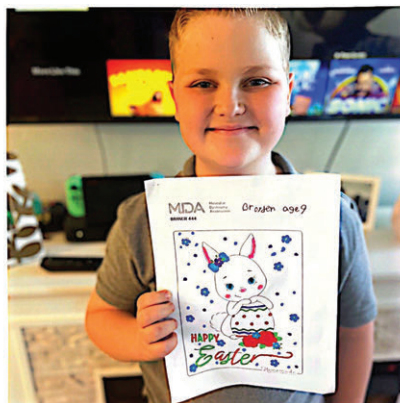
- Branches that raised \$1,000 were entered into a raffle to win an MDA swag bag. And the winner is Northern Virginia Br. 3520.

## “Thanks to all of you for your efforts to help MDA Deliver the Cure.”

Please mail NALC Headquarters a copy of any receipts or checks along with a copy of the NALC/MDA allocation so that your branch can be properly recognized. *Also remember, NALC/MDA allocations must be turned in the same calendar year of the event (no later than Dec. 28) in order to qualify for the NALC Honor Roll for that year.*

Locally raised funds *must* be sent to the national MDA office in Chicago:

Muscular Dystrophy Association Inc.  
Attn: NALC  
P.O. Box 7410354  
Chicago, IL 60674-0354



Garden State Mgd. Br. 444 in New Jersey held an Easter-themed coloring contest within the branch as a fundraiser for MDA. Above are photos of the winners (from l): Leila Lysko (age 3), Brayden Burke (age 9), and Nicolina Margiasso (age 7) from the Belmar Post Office and Amelia Timm (age 7) from the South River Post Office.