

# End-of-year reminders



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**S**isters and brothers, I want to wish you a warm and safe holiday season.

**The October Branch Challenge** officially marks the most successful Branch Challenge to date! \$108,155 was raised and a record 72 branches or state associations participated in October. This is nearly double what was raised in most of our previous Branch Challenges; what an inspiring way to finish up the 2021 Branch Challenges. Congratulations, brothers and sisters—you should feel so

proud of the incredible work you did. The Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) is without a doubt so inspired and motivated by your incredible contributions; the organization is grateful every day for NALC's partnership!

Congratulations to our October Branch Challenge winners listed below. Your dedication to #DeliveringTheCure is exemplary.

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| 1. Branch 56, Grand Rapids, MI      | \$9,110 |
| 2. Branch 82, Portland, OR          | \$8,335 |
| 3. Branch 38, New Jersey Mgd.       | \$6,807 |
| 4. Branch 358, Northeastern NY      | \$6,001 |
| 5. Branch 204, Colorado Springs, CO | \$5,116 |
| 6. Montana State Association        | \$4,740 |
| 7. Branch 92, Maine Mgd.            | \$4,714 |
| 8. Branch 459, Raleigh, NC          | \$4,150 |
| 9. Branch 8, Lincoln, NE            | \$4,100 |
| 10. Branch 324, Greeley, CO         | \$3,795 |

**Don't forget to order your MDA gift packages from NALC** to raise money until the end of the year or until the packages are sold (whichever comes first). I have created an NALC/MDA package (see photo below), which costs \$100.




We do not have many, so orders will be filled on a first-come, first-serve basis. I believe that it will make a great Christmas gift or branch award. The package comes with one MDA tote bag, one NALC/MDA T-shirt, one MDA magnet, one MDA keychain, one MDA bracelet, two NALC/MDA poker chips and one Cigna hand sanitizer. All funds go to MDA, and money spent by a branch or an individual will be counted toward the branch's 2021 year-end numbers.


**Important reminders for the holidays:** The holidays are some of the best times for people to give! Remember that MDA's NALC webpage, [mda.donordrive.com/event/nalc2021](http://mda.donordrive.com/event/nalc2021), and your individual fundraising pages will remain open through Dec. 31, so continue to collect donations there as people give.

All checks and offline gifts received by the branch should use the NALC Donation Allocation Card (see [nalc.org/mda](http://nalc.org/mda) or the box below) and mail donations to: Muscular Dystrophy Association Inc., Attn: NALC, P.O. Box 7410354, Chicago, IL 60674-0354.

Please send copies to NALC Headquarters as well. This year, I am requesting that all branches send their MDA information and paperwork by Dec. 28. Thanks again for your continued hard work helping to deliver the cure!

Remember, helping MDA can help you, too. By supporting MDA, you enhance letter carriers' public image, boost members' morale and draw positive attention to NALC. You are the best #heroesdelivering!





**Muscular Dystrophy Association**

### NALC MDA Donation Allocation Form

NALC Branch Number \_\_\_\_\_

State Association \_\_\_\_\_

Auxiliary \_\_\_\_\_

MDA District/City \_\_\_\_\_

MDA Contact/Staff \_\_\_\_\_

MDA Event Name/Event Type \_\_\_\_\_

MDA Event Date \_\_\_\_\_ Donation Amount \_\_\_\_\_

Donor Name \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill out and mail along with your MDA donation check to:

MDA  
Attn: NALC  
161 N. Clark Suite 3550  
Chicago, IL 60601